



# Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Drier weather prevailed across most of the state last week. There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending August 20. Statewide, the average temperature was 74.2 degrees, 0.2 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged 0.45 inches, 0.41 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 9 percent very short, 41 percent short, 49 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 8 percent very short, 38 percent short, 53 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Corn dough was at 91 percent, compared to 88 percent last year. Corn dented was at 41 percent, compared to 46 percent for the 5-year average. Corn condition was rated 4 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 32 percent fair, 42 percent good, and 12 percent excellent. Soybeans setting pods was at 92 percent, compared to 88 percent last year. Soybean coloring was at 4 percent. Soybean condition was rated 3 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Pasture and range condition was rated 5 percent very poor, 13 percent poor, 43 percent fair, 35 percent good, and 4 percent excellent.

## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending August 20, 2017

District and State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Northwest .....	5.8	2	20	73	5	2	16	75	7
Northeast .....	5.3	3	12	85	-	-	14	86	-
West .....	6.2	3	39	58	-	4	43	53	-
Central .....	6.6	5	61	34	-	5	52	43	-
East .....	6.3	5	46	49	-	3	43	54	-
West Southwest .....	6.4	4	48	48	-	4	48	48	-
East Southeast .....	6.7	16	52	31	1	11	46	42	1
Southwest .....	6.6	36	38	26	-	31	39	30	-
Southeast .....	6.7	23	44	33	-	29	29	42	-
Illinois .....	6.3	9	41	49	1	8	38	53	1

- Represents zero.

## Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	August 20, 2017	August 13, 2017	August 20, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dough .....	91	77	88	87
Corn dented .....	41	26	44	46
Soybeans setting pods .....	92	83	88	87
Soybeans turning color .....	4	(NA)	2	2
Sorghum headed .....	91	85	81	83
Sorghum turning color .....	62	46	61	49
Sorghum mature .....	22	5	3	2
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	86	72	60	66

(NA) Not available.

### Crop Condition – Illinois: August 20, 2017

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn .....	4	10	32	42	12
Soybeans .....	3	9	28	52	8
Sorghum .....	7	12	32	49	-
Pasture .....	5	13	43	35	4

- Represents zero.

### Crop Progress by District: August 20, 2017

Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dough .....	93	85	89	96	89	89	92	97	81
Corn dented .....	31	12	44	50	22	58	51	72	43
Soybeans setting pods .....	92	98	90	99	95	88	89	96	84
Soybeans turning color .....	-	-	-	1	1	12	4	6	9

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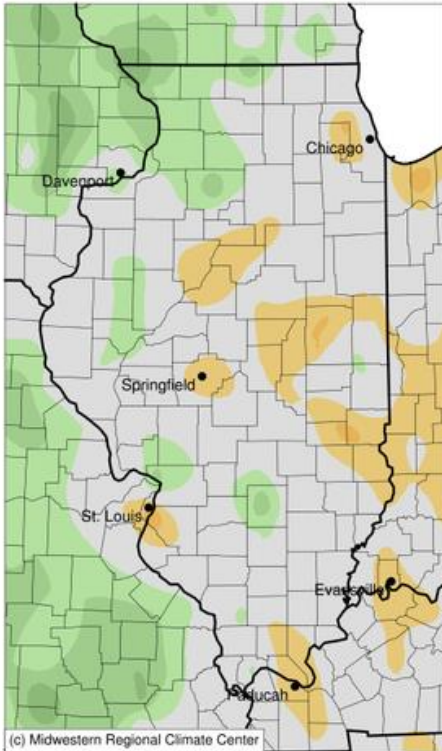
### Weather Information: Week Ending August 20, 2017

District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	Since May 1	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)		
Northwest .....	70.5	-1.2	0.48	-0.72	2,042	-70
Northeast .....	72.1	0.5	0.47	-0.54	2,018	-54
West .....	74.2	-0.1	0.23	-0.62	2,290	-17
Central .....	73.8	0.4	0.11	-0.77	2,207	-48
East .....	73.5	0.8	0.11	-0.81	2,177	-46
West Southwest .....	75.4	0.3	0.40	-0.35	2,391	10
East Southeast .....	75.8	0.7	0.51	-0.17	2,390	-5
Southwest .....	76.1	-0.2	1.09	0.34	2,501	24
Southeast .....	77.2	0.7	0.77	0.16	2,547	45
Illinois .....	74.2	0.2	0.45	-0.41	2,274	-20

Weather data provided by the Midwestern Regional Climate Center: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu>

## Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

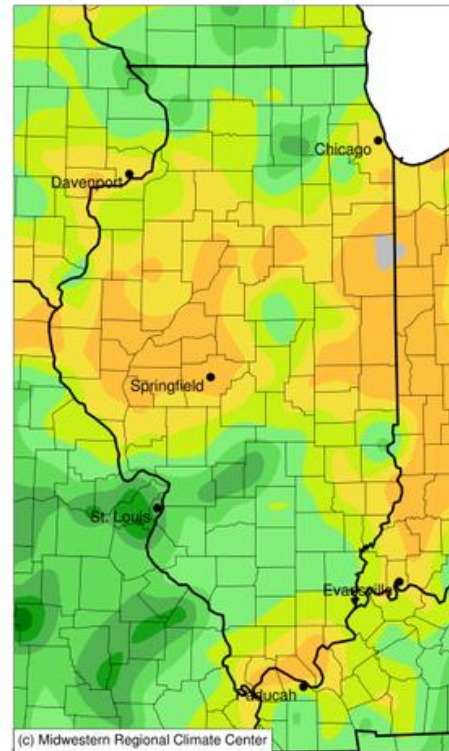
August 14, 2017 to August 20, 2017



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## Accumulated Precipitation (in)

August 14, 2017 to August 20, 2017



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