



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Fall harvest is underway throughout the state. There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending September 24. Statewide, the average temperature was 76.8 degrees, 14.3 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged 0.59 inches, 0.20 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 32 percent very short, 45 percent short, and 23 percent adequate. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 23 percent very short, 50 percent short, and 27 percent adequate. Corn dented was at 94 percent, compared to 98 percent for the 5-year average. Corn mature was at 57 percent, compared to 84 percent last year. Corn harvest was 11 percent complete, compared to 24 percent for the 5-year average. Corn condition was rated 4 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 34 percent fair, 43 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Soybeans coloring was at 85 percent, the same as the 5-year average. Soybeans dropping leaves was at 57 percent, compared to 58 percent last year. Soybean harvest was 9 percent complete, compared to 5 percent last year. Soybean condition was rated 5 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 48 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Pasture and range condition was rated 16 percent very poor, 29 percent poor, 35 percent fair, 19 percent good, and 1 percent excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending September 24, 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	6.8	51	33	16	-	38	34	28	-
Northeast	7.0	20	38	42	-	12	36	52	-
West	6.7	32	58	10	-	17	72	11	-
Central	6.1	6	64	30	-	12	56	32	-
East	6.7	12	42	46	-	7	50	43	-
West Southwest	6.7	23	52	25	-	20	48	32	-
East Southeast	6.6	36	57	7	-	32	51	17	-
Southwest	7.0	85	12	3	-	46	52	2	-
Southeast	6.6	43	36	21	-	33	48	19	-
Illinois	6.7	32	45	23	-	23	50	27	-

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	September 24, 2017	September 17, 2017	September 24, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dented	94	89	98	98
Corn mature	57	39	84	77
Corn harvested	11	5	22	24
Soybeans turning color	85	70	85	85
Soybeans dropping leaves	57	32	58	58
Soybeans harvested	9	1	5	7
Sorghum turning color	94	89	91	92
Sorghum mature	73	58	58	63
Sorghum harvested	15	1	11	12

Crop Condition – Illinois: September 24, 2017

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	4	10	34	43	9
Soybeans	5	10	29	48	8
Sorghum	9	16	28	47	-
Pasture	16	29	35	19	1

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress by District: September 24, 2017

Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dented	92	95	92	100	89	96	90	98	99
Corn mature	39	20	60	74	38	72	65	91	89
Corn harvested	4	1	6	10	1	16	14	41	42
Soybeans turning color	88	94	77	90	76	93	83	82	78
Soybeans dropping leaves	60	58	44	58	48	69	63	47	59
Soybeans harvested	5	5	3	6	3	9	17	8	22

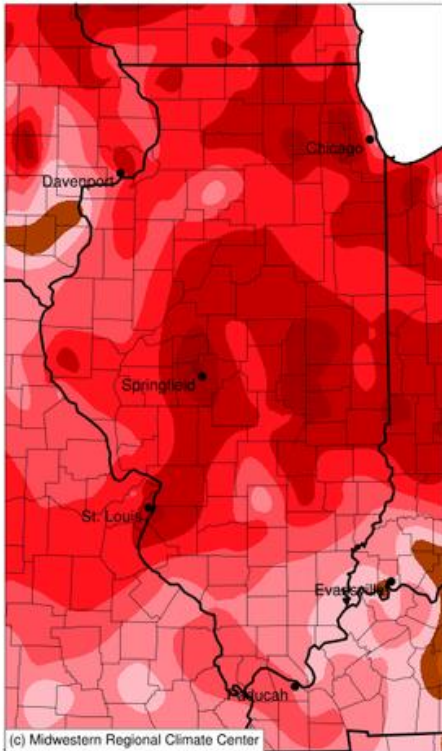
Weather Information: Week Ending September 24, 2017

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	74.3	14.7	0.80	0.01	2,629	-80
Northeast	75.5	15.3	0.33	-0.44	2,617	-60
West	76.4	14.3	0.65	-0.14	2,945	-30
Central	76.6	14.6	0.58	-0.19	2,842	-70
East	76.6	14.7	1.05	0.43	2,800	-70
West Southwest	78.2	14.7	0.49	-0.28	3,084	5
East Southeast	78.4	14.4	0.57	-0.19	3,082	-19
Southwest	77.7	12.9	0.30	-0.71	3,218	11
Southeast	77.8	12.4	0.55	-0.36	3,274	30
Illinois	76.8	14.3	0.59	-0.20	2,930	-33

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

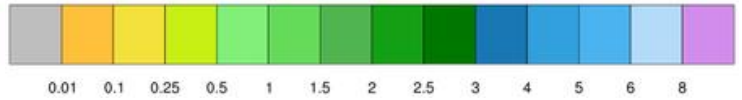
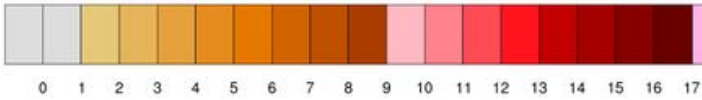
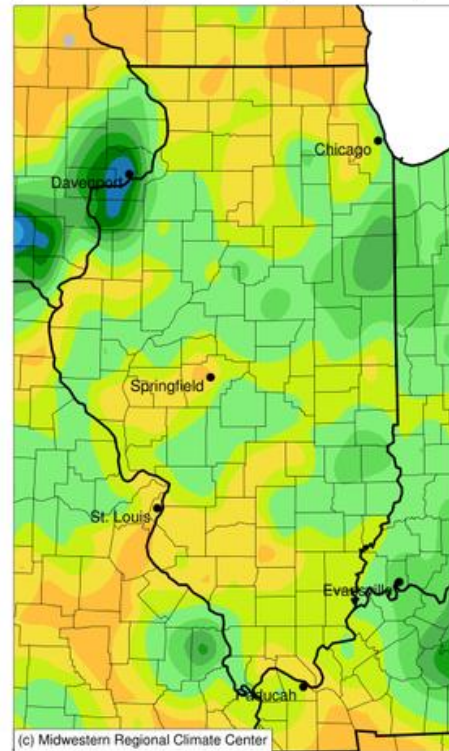
Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

September 18, 2017 to September 24, 2017



Accumulated Precipitation (in)

September 18, 2017 to September 24, 2017



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