



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

Released September 17, 2018

There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending September 16, 2018. Statewide, the average temperature was 71.0 degrees, 3.3 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged 0.01 inches, 0.75 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 3 percent very short, 10 percent short, 80 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 3 percent very short, 15 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Corn mature reached 75 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 47 percent. Corn harvested was at 12 percent. Corn condition was rated at 2 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 18 percent fair, 45 percent good, and 31 percent excellent. Soybeans coloring reached 87 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 62 percent. Soybeans dropping leaves was at 58 percent, compared to 29 percent last year. Soybean harvest was 4 percent complete. Soybean condition was rated at 2 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 17 percent fair, 47 percent good, and 30 percent excellent. Sorghum coloring reached 90 percent, compared to 88 percent last year. Sorghum mature reached 67 percent, compared to 55 percent last year. Sorghum condition was rated at 4 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 16 percent excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending September 16, 2018

State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Illinois	5.9	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
		3	10	80	7	3	15	77	5

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	September 16, 2018	September 9, 2018	September 16, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn mature	75	56	37	47
Corn harvested	12	4	5	5
Soybeans turning color	87	75	67	62
Soybeans dropping leaves	58	37	29	28
Soybeans harvested.....	4	1	1	-
Sorghum turning color	90	86	88	86
Sorghum mature	67	56	55	39
Sorghum harvested.....	2	-	1	2
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	96	92	100	93

- Represents zero.

Corn Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 16, 2018	2	4	18	45	31
September 9, 2018	1	4	18	46	31
September 16, 2017	4	9	35	44	8

Soybeans Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 16, 2018	2	4	17	47	30
September 9, 2018	1	4	16	51	28
September 16, 2017	5	10	32	46	7

Sorghum Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 16, 2018	-	4	22	58	16
September 9, 2018	-	1	19	63	17
September 16, 2017	7	16	35	41	1

- Represents zero.

Pasture Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 16, 2018	6	7	27	45	15
September 9, 2018	4	7	35	39	15
September 16, 2017	14	32	38	15	1

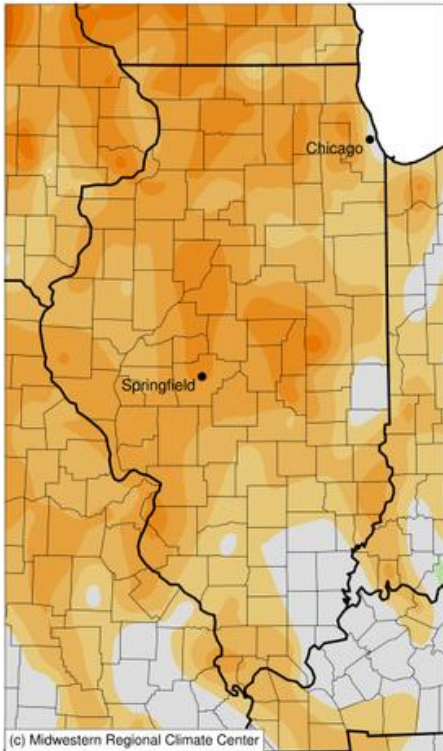
Weather Information: Week Ending September 16, 2018

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	69.3	4.4	0	-0.78	2,911	297
Northeast	69.3	3.9	0	-0.78	2,889	309
West	71.2	3.8	0	-0.90	3,257	393
Central	70.6	3.2	0	-0.71	3,133	332
East	70.0	2.9	0.01	-0.66	3,102	342
West Southwest	72.4	3.7	0	-0.77	3,357	398
East Southeast	71.9	2.9	0.07	-0.69	3,365	387
Southwest	71.9	2.1	0.02	-0.72	3,453	374
Southeast	72.5	2.2	0.02	-0.73	3,503	390
Illinois	71.0	3.3	0.01	-0.75	3,207	357

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

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

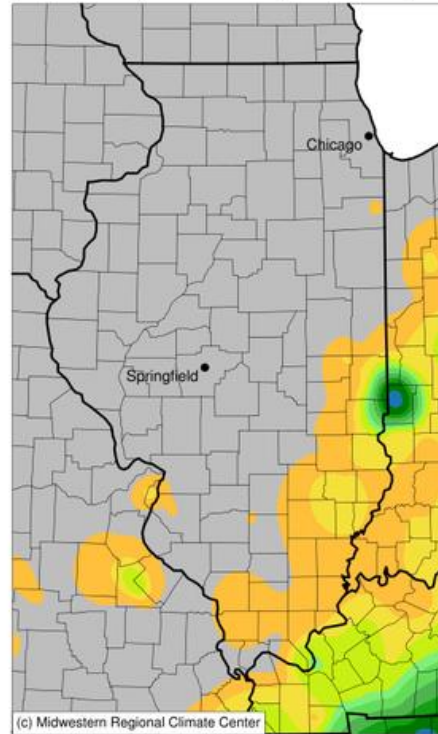
September 10, 2018 to September 16, 2018



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Accumulated Precipitation (in)

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