



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending September 23, 2018. Statewide, the average temperature was 72.3 degrees, 9.0 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged 0.45 inches, 0.39 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 4 percent very short, 18 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 4 percent very short, 18 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Corn mature reached 85 percent. Corn harvested was at 28 percent. Corn condition was rated at 2 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 15 percent fair, 47 percent good, and 32 percent excellent. Soybeans coloring reached 93 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 81 percent. Soybeans dropping leaves was at 75 percent, compared to 53 percent last year. Soybean harvest was 17 percent complete. Soybean condition was rated at 3 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 14 percent fair, 48 percent good, and 31 percent excellent. Sorghum coloring reached 94 percent, compared to 93 percent last year. Sorghum mature reached 75 percent, compared to 71 percent last year. Sorghum harvested reached 14 percent, compared to 13 percent last year. Sorghum condition was rated at 6 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 57 percent good, and 15 percent excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending September 23, 2018

State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Illinois	6.0	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
		4	18	73	5	4	18	73	5

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	September 23, 2018	September 16, 2018	September 23, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn mature	85	75	54	66
Corn harvested	28	12	10	13
Soybeans turning color	93	87	83	81
Soybeans dropping leaves	75	58	53	52
Soybeans harvested	17	4	8	6
Sorghum turning color	94	90	93	90
Sorghum mature	75	67	71	59
Sorghum harvested	14	2	13	10

Corn Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 23, 2018	2	4	15	47	32
September 16, 2018	2	4	18	45	31
September 23, 2017	4	10	34	43	9

Soybeans Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 23, 2018	3	4	14	48	31
September 16, 2018	2	4	17	47	30
September 23, 2017	5	10	29	48	8

Sorghum Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 23, 2018	-	6	22	57	15
September 16, 2018	-	4	22	58	16
September 23, 2017	9	16	28	47	-

- Represents zero.

Pasture Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 23, 2018	6	9	29	43	13
September 16, 2018	6	7	27	45	15
September 23, 2017	16	29	35	19	1

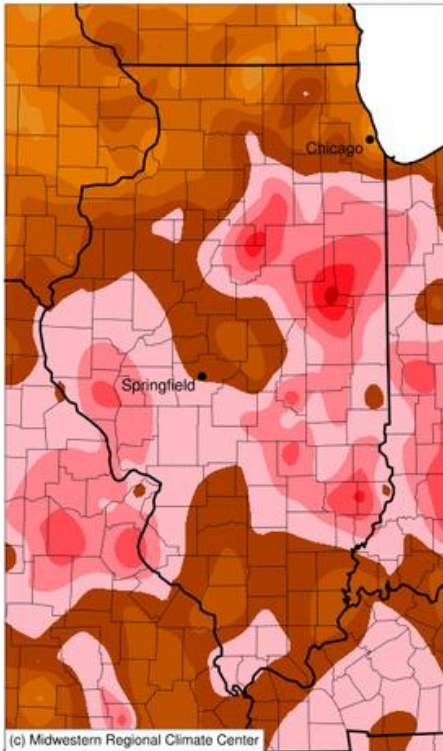
Weather Information: Week Ending September 23, 2018

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	68.0	7.6	0.91	0.07	3,038	339
Northeast	68.9	8.0	0.39	-0.49	3,022	354
West	72.3	9.4	0.74	-0.12	3,408	445
Central	72.0	9.2	0.14	-0.68	3,279	379
East	72.4	9.6	0.21	-0.48	3,250	392
West Southwest	74.3	10.1	0.23	-0.58	3,515	450
East Southeast	74.7	9.9	0.26	-0.49	3,526	437
Southwest	74.1	8.4	0.62	-0.45	3,612	419
Southeast	74.7	8.5	0.64	-0.30	3,667	436
Illinois	72.3	9.0	0.45	-0.39	3,356	405

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

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

September 17, 2018 to September 23, 2018



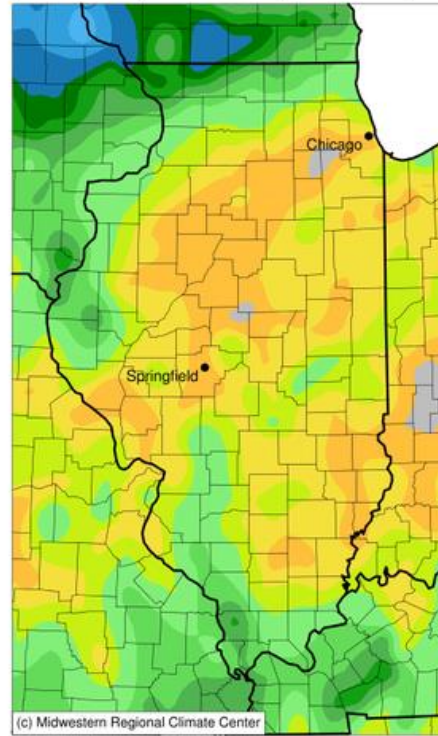
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Accumulated Precipitation (in)

September 17, 2018 to September 23, 2018



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