



# Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending October 4, 2020. Statewide, the average temperature was 53.0 degrees, 7.9 degrees below normal. Precipitation averaged 0.68 inches, 0.07 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture supply was rated 7 percent very short, 23 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated 7 percent very short, 25 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 2 surplus. Corn mature was 89 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 85 percent. Corn harvested for grain was 26 percent complete, compared to the 5-year average of 39 percent. Corn condition was rated 2 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 15 percent excellent. Soybeans turning color was at 95 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 93 percent. Soybeans dropping leaves was at 81 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 80 percent. Soybean harvest was 25 percent complete, compared to the 5-year average of 33 percent. Soybean condition was rated 1 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 59 percent good, and 16 percent excellent. Winter wheat planted was at 29 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 16 percent. Winter wheat emerged was at 9 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 2 percent.

## Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending October 4, 2020

State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Illinois .....	5.6	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
		7	23	68	2	7	25	66	2

## Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	October 4, 2020	September 27, 2020	October 4, 2019	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn mature .....	89	73	54	85
Corn harvested .....	26	13	10	39
Soybeans turning color .....	95	87	85	93
Soybeans dropping leaves .....	81	60	58	80
Soybeans harvested .....	25	11	8	33
Winter wheat planted .....	29	8	15	16
Winter wheat emerged .....	9	(NA)	2	2

(NA) Not available.

## Corn Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
October 4, 2020 .....	2	5	20	58	15
September 27, 2020 .....	2	5	20	58	15
October 4, 2019 .....	5	16	33	41	5

### Soybeans Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
October 4, 2020 .....	1	3	21	59	16
September 27, 2020 .....	2	5	21	59	13
October 4, 2019 .....	6	14	37	38	5

### Pasture Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
October 4, 2020 .....	3	10	31	52	4
September 27, 2020 .....	4	10	28	55	3
October 4, 2019 .....	6	14	34	43	3

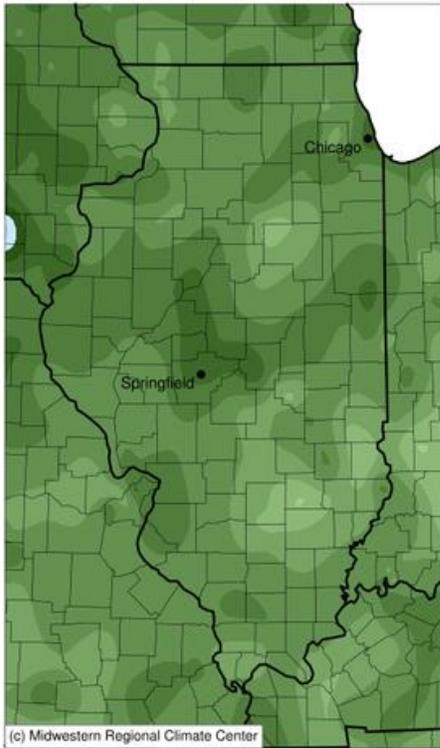
### Weather Information: Week Ending October 4, 2020

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 .....	50.6	-7.3	0.66	-0.13	2,866	45
Northeast .....	50.6	-7.7	0.72	-0.08	2,896	106
West .....	52.2	-8.6	0.83	-0.14	3,058	-47
Central .....	51.9	-8.5	0.88	0.05	3,004	-38
East .....	52.2	-7.9	0.77	-0.03	2,987	-11
West Southwest .....	53.6	-8.4	0.70	-0.01	3,183	-35
East Southeast .....	54.6	-7.6	0.51	-0.20	3,212	-31
Southwest .....	55.6	-7.5	0.50	-0.05	3,350	-5
Southeast .....	56.5	-6.9	0.55	-0.02	3,394	-1
Illinois .....	53.0	-7.9	0.68	-0.07	3,094	-1

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

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

September 28, 2020 to October 04, 2020



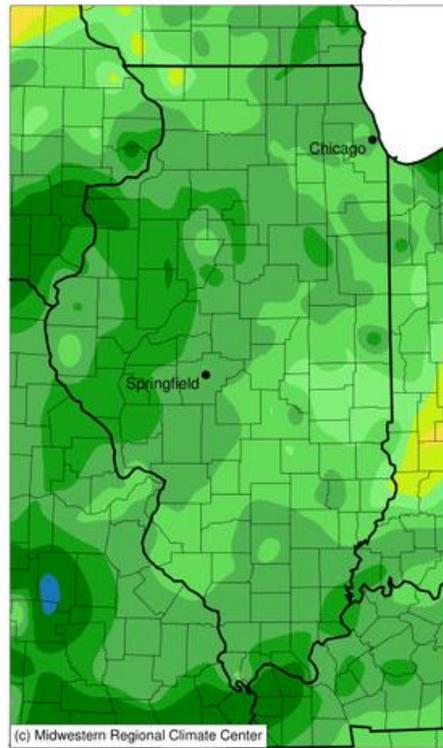
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**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**

September 28, 2020 to October 04, 2020



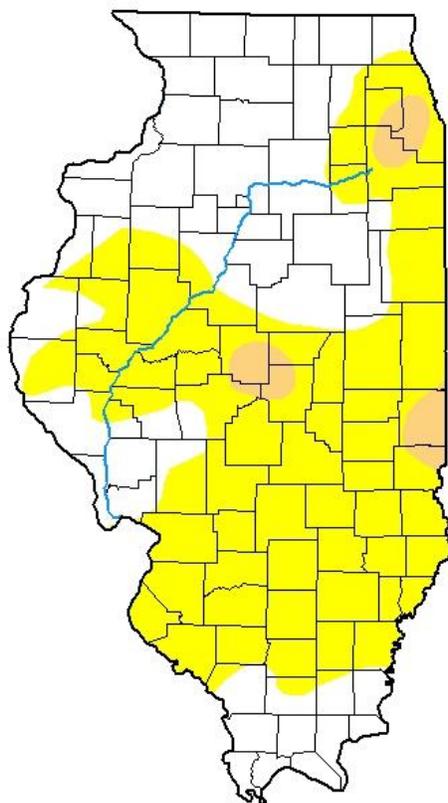
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### Intensity:

	None
	D0 Abnormally Dry
	D1 Moderate Drought
	D2 Severe Drought
	D3 Extreme Drought
	D4 Exceptional Drought

*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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