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Farmers used the limited time available at the beginning and end of last week to harvest some corn, but there was little soybean harvest activity for the third consecutive week. The corn harvest is running about a week and a half late, while the soybean harvest progress is lagging approximately four weeks behind normal.

Sixty-six percent of the CORN crop had been harvested for grain by Sunday, November 4, compared to last year's 95% and the 5-year average (1979-83) of 85%.

Harvest of the SOYBEAN crop was 63% complete as of November 4, compared to 97% for both last year and average.

Fifty percent of the WINTER WHEAT acreage has been seeded, compared to last year's 96% and the average of 94%. Forty-four percent of the crop has emerged, compared to 84% last year and the average of 80%. Condition of the crop on November 2 was 16% excellent, 56% good, 21% fair, and 7% poor.

Forty-five percent of the SORGHUM acreage had been harvested for grain by Sunday, November 4. Last year, 89% had been harvested while the average is 84%.

As of Sunday, November 4, 19% of the 1985 intended Corn and Soybean acreage had been TILLED (plowed or chiseled), compared to 48% last fall and the average of 42%.

PASTURE condition was 20% excellent, 71% good, and 9% fair as of November 2. Pastures were supplying 64% of the total livestock roughage requirements, compared to 49% for last year and the average of 48%.

SOIL MOISTURE on November 2 was reported to be 26% adequate, and 74% surplus.

There were 2.25 DAYS suitable for FIELDWORK for the week ending Friday, November 2.

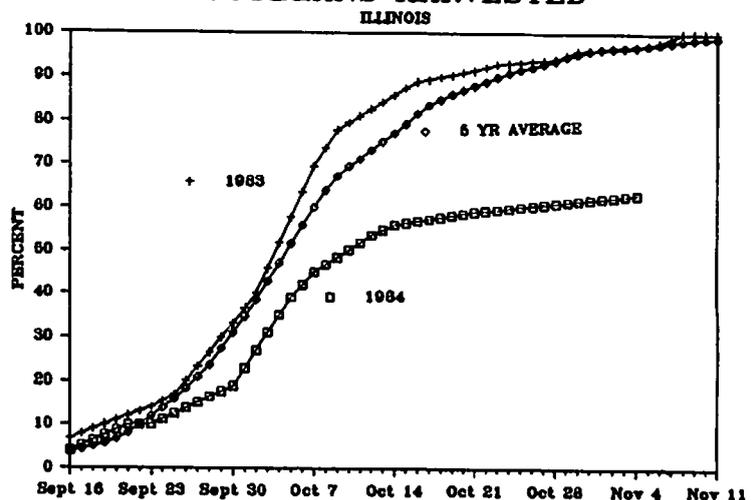
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TEMPERATURES cooled during the week, with rather widespread frost since November 1st. Highs were in the 50's and low 60's. Low temperatures down to 20° were common. Mean temperatures were generally 5 to 9° above normal from Northwestern Illinois through the West and the South, and within 1 or 2° of normal in the Northeast.

Widespread PRECIPITATION occurred on October 31 and November 1, with the heaviest occurring on the 1st. On the 1st, many stations reported in excess of 1", with 3.19" reported in the extreme Southeast. Essentially no precipitation occurred on November 3 and 4.

The OUTLOOK for November 5-11 calls for fair skies early in the week with seasonal temperatures, then partly cloudy weather on Wednesday with a chance of showers Thursday and Friday.

**SOYBEANS HARVESTED**



**ILLINOIS CROP REPORTING DISTRICT SUMMARY**

	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE	STATE	5-YR. AVG.
As of November 4											
Corn: % harvested	65	63	65	80	85	63	47	47	50	66	85
Soybeans: % harvested	75	78	42	80	90	50	54	36	41	63	97
Week ending November 2											
Days Suitable for fieldwork:	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.5	3.0	1.5	1.0	2.25	
Soil Moisture %											
Short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Adequate	55	50	20	20	55	15	15	0	0	26	
Surplus	45	50	80	80	45	85	85	100	100	74	

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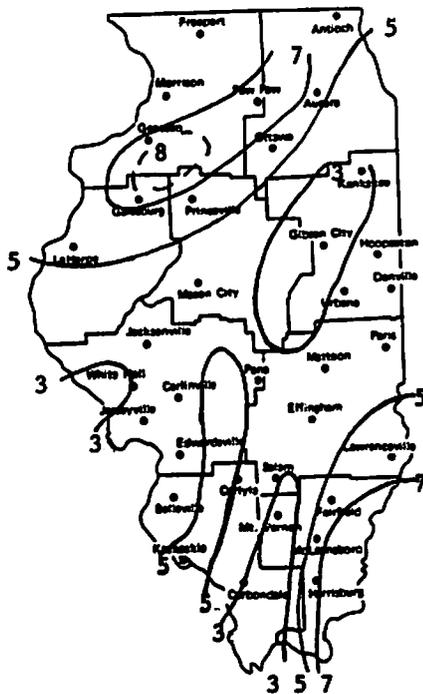
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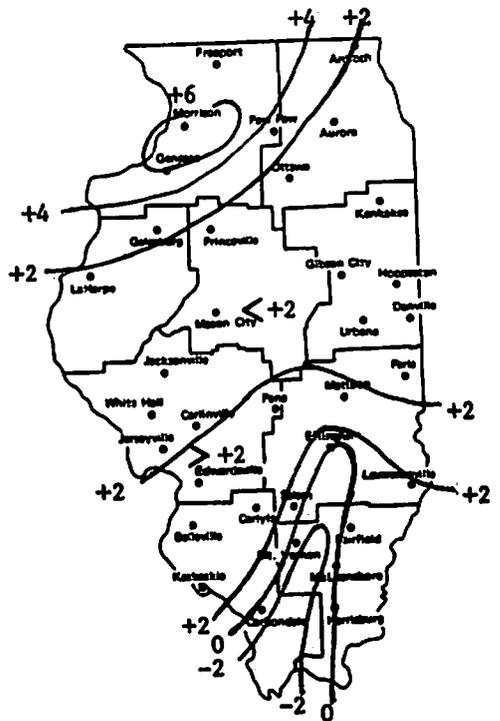
Week ending Sunday, November 4, 1984

Location	Temperatures			Precipitation			Total Soil Water 1/	
	Maxi- mum	Mini- mum	Depar- ture	Current week	Since May 1	Departure since May 1	Inches water: 0-40 in.	Change from prev. reading
Freeport	53	29	-5	2.13	24.16	-0.16	15.4	+2.0
Paw Paw	52	30	-6	2.42	22.60	+1.79	15.4	+1.4
Antioch	55	30	-4	1.55	24.29	+3.79	15.4	+1.4
Galesburg	50	29	-6	2.07	23.77	+1.27	15.4	+2.6
Walnut	54	32	-4	1.53	22.61	+0.64	15.4	+1.4
Mason City	62	37	-2	2.51	21.91	-0.49	19.2	+3.3
Princeville	51	31	-7	2.26	21.12	-0.38	15.4	+2.7
Kankakee	63	35	-3	1.53	15.04	2/	14.0	+1.3
Jacksonville	2/	2/	2/	0.54	23.88	+0.40	14.0	+2.3
Pana	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	18.6	+3.0
Urbana	59	38	0	1.25	21.05	+0.53	15.3	+2.2
Carlinville	61	41	+1	1.55	26.93	+4.95	14.0	+2.3
Effingham	61	42	+2	1.33	21.59	+0.97	18.6	+2.3
Lawrenceville	63	41	-2	2.52	23.76	+1.91	18.6	+2.3
Belleville	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	17.4	+2.6
Carlyle	60	40	-3	1.73	15.14	-5.14	2/	2/
McLeansboro	64	43	-2	2.48	23.49	+1.89	16.7	+0.6
Kaskaskia	62	39	-3	1.39	20.46	-1.54	2/	2/
Dixon Springs	70	49	+6	2.52	28.99	+5.89	19.4	2/

1/ Soil water is based on reading from closest soil moisture observation. Readings taken approximately October 28. 2/ Missing data.



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 IN INCHES



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