

# ILLINOIS WEATHER & CROPS



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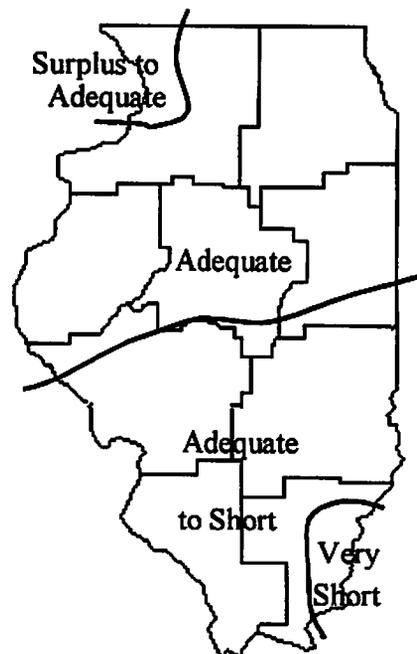
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## CROPS

Fall tillage and other ground preparation activities were in full swing during the early part of last week. Rain and cold weather hampered field activities in some areas from Wednesday through the end of the week. Harvest was winding down with virtually all of the soybean crop harvested and 98 percent of the corn harvested by the end of the week. Sorghum harvesting was ahead of the five-year average with about six percent remaining to be harvested. Ninety-five percent of the winter wheat has emerged with some areas reporting very little fall growth before this latest cold snap. Topsoil moisture continues to improve with last week's rain. As of November 10, topsoil moisture was rated as four percent surplus, 63 percent adequate, 24 percent short and nine percent very short. In addition to ground preparation activities, farmers used their 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork to clean and winterize farm equipment and to feed and care for livestock.

### CROP PROGRESS - November 12, 1995

Crop Stage	: 1995	: 1994	: 5-Year Average
Percent			
<b>CORN:</b>			
Harvested	98	90	88
<b>SORGHUM:</b>			
Harvested	94	93	89
<b>WINTER WHEAT:</b>			
Emerged	95	92	85



Topsoil Moisture Supply  
November 10, 1995

**CROP CONDITIONS November 10, 1995**

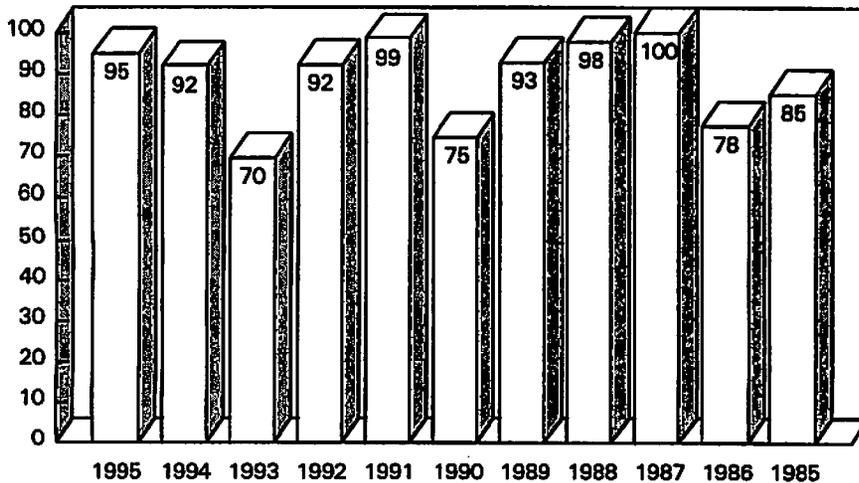
Crop	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor
	Percent				
Winter Wheat	4	46	40	9	1

**ILLINOIS DISTRICT SUMMARY**

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Percent			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	November 4-10	As of November 10			
Northwest	4.0	-	10	75	15
Northeast	5.0	-	5	95	-
West	4.5	-	15	85	-
Central	3.5	-	10	80	10
East	2.0	10	20	70	-
W Southwest	5.5	10	45	40	5
E Southeast	5.0	15	35	50	-
Southwest	6.0	10	45	45	-
Southeast	6.0	50	45	5	-
State	4.6	9	24	63	4

**Winter Wheat - Percent Emerged**

As of November 12



WEATHER SUMMARY

Temperatures continued in the same vein as last week, i.e., running substantially below average. For the last seven days, northern Illinois was some 12°F below average, and southern Illinois was about 6°F below. Several low temperature records were set or at least equalled in the northern half of the state.

Precipitation, too, continued with a pattern similar to that of last week, heaviest in the north, least in central and southwest. Northeastern Illinois measured 3 to 4 inches, northwestern and far southern Illinois 1 to 2 inches. Central counties only measured 0.5 to one inch. On the 10th and 11th, freezing precipitation and snow moved in from the west, dropping two to three inches in the state north of a line from St. Louis to Paris. Rain fell to the south. Carbondale measured 7.55 inches during the seven days.

Week ending 8 A.M. Monday, November 13, 1995

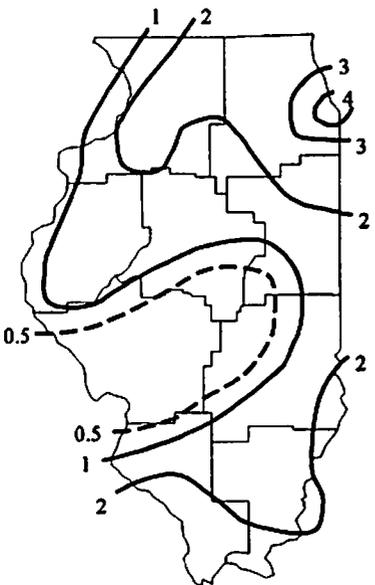
Location	Temperatures			Precipitation
	Maximum	Minimum	Departure	
Elizabeth	40	19	-7	0.67
Rockford	37	19	-11	1.62
Chicago	39	22	-10	2.53
Chi Botanical	42	23	-8	2.41
Watseka	39	22	-12	0.04
Peru	44	23	-9	1.63
Moline	41	21	-10	2.00
Peoria	49	21	-7	1.25
Monmouth	41	21	-11	1.31
Quincy	46	23	-9	1.13
Perry	44	24	-10	0.82
Springfield	46	24	-9	0.47
Urbana	44	22	-11	0.95
Windsor	48	28	-7	1.05
Terre Haute	46	24	-10	2.00
St. Louis	51	31	-6	1.01
Belleville	51	30	-6	0.11
Brownstown	45	27	-5	0.36
Iuka	50	29	-7	1.59
Lawrenceville	47	25	-11	1.41
Vincennes	46	24	-12	2.56
Dixon Springs	52	30	-8	2.27
Paducah	56	33	-4	1.34
Olive Branch	56	36	-2	2.30
Carbondale	51	28	-7	7.55
C Girardeau	56	34	-3	1.64

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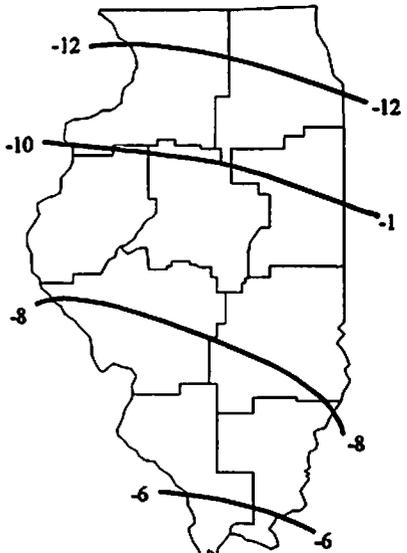
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Precipitation (inches)  
November 7-13, 1995



Temperature Departure  
November 7-13, 1995

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