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Rainfall across the state last month improved topsoil moisture supplies but nearly two-thirds of the state remains in the short or very short categories. As of December 29, the topsoil moisture condition was rated 18 percent very short, 47 percent short, 34 percent adequate and one percent excellent. There are also reports of low subsoil moisture, which could have a negative effect on the winter crops in the spring. Winter wheat has had slow growth due to lack of moisture, however, recent precipitation has helped. The wheat condition was rated two percent very poor, 14 percent poor, 48 percent fair, 32 percent good and four percent excellent by December 29. The mild weather has also been beneficial for livestock and has kept most lots dry.

Illinois District Summary

District	Topsoil Moisture			
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
December 29				
Northwest	2	38	59	1
Northeast	25	25	50	-
West	31	46	23	-
Central	12	75	13	-
East	11	71	18	-
W Southwest	3	62	35	-
E Southeast	26	37	31	6
Southwest	32	34	34	-
Southeast	32	30	37	1
State	18	47	34	1

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Temperature and Precipitation

District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure
December 1 - 31						
Northwest	WEATHER DATA NOT AVAILABLE					
Northeast	WEATHER DATA NOT AVAILABLE					
West	WEATHER DATA NOT AVAILABLE					
Central	WEATHER DATA NOT AVAILABLE					
East	WEATHER DATA NOT AVAILABLE					
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Temperature Departure
December 1 - 31



Precipitation Departure
December 1 - 31

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