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Agricultural Summary

Fall tillage and field work came to a near halt across most of the state early last week due to a system of rain showers that dumped up to eight inches in some areas. Though many farmers were done fertilizing and applying anhydrous, a few were finishing fall tillage and conservation work. Topsoil moisture conditions were rated 23 percent surplus, 68 percent adequate and nine percent short by the end of November. The winter wheat crop that was sowed early is looking great, but that is not the case for the late planted crop. Too much rain saturating the soil has hindered the emergence of the younger plants, leaving them more vulnerable to winter kill. Statewide, the crop was rated ten percent excellent, 61 percent good, 25 percent fair and four percent poor on November 30. The weather has been kind on livestock this fall, with many cattle remaining on stalks or in green pastures needing little supplemental feed. Other activities last week included storing equipment, marketing crops and preparing for winter.

Illinois District Summary

District	Topsoil Moisture			
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
November 30				
Northwest	-	10	79	11
Northeast	-	-	83	17
West	-	14	74	12
Central	-	13	76	11
East	-	1	73	26
W Southwest	3	9	66	22
E Southeast	-	6	62	32
Southwest	-	13	44	43
Southeast	-	6	17	77
State	-	9	68	23

Temperature and Precipitation

District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure
November 19 - December 2						
Northwest	41.6	34.0	7.7	1.50	1.18	0.31
Northeast	43.1	35.0	8.1	1.44	1.45	0.00
West	42.9	37.0	6.0	1.87	1.31	0.57
Central	43.5	36.7	6.8	1.93	1.47	0.45
East	44.3	36.9	7.4	1.83	1.51	0.32
W Southwest	44.4	39.1	5.3	2.48	1.61	0.87
E Southeast	45.4	39.9	5.5	2.70	1.86	0.84
Southwest	46.0	42.0	4.0	3.56	2.11	1.44
Southeast	47.2	42.6	4.6	4.60	2.23	2.38
State	44.1	37.9	6.2	2.35	1.61	0.74

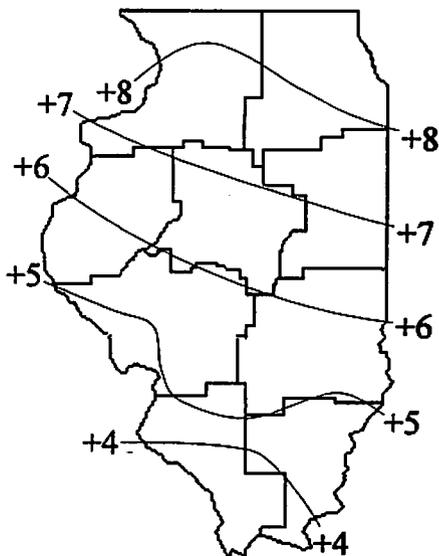
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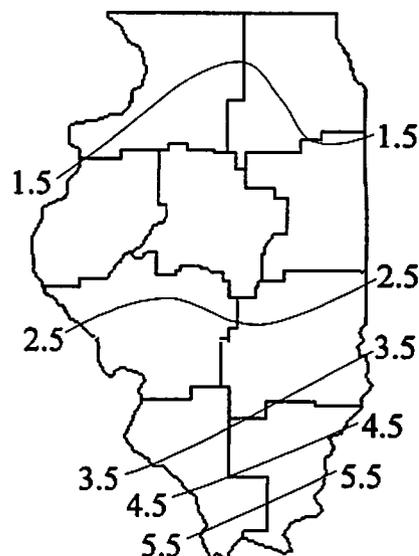
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Temperature (°F) Departure
November 19 - December 2



Precipitation (in.) Total
November 19 - December 2

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