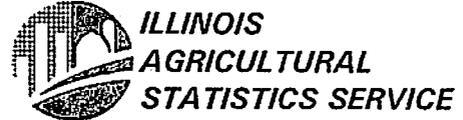


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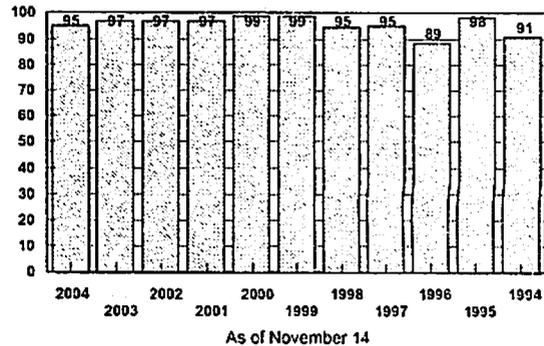
Agricultural Summary

Slightly above normal temperatures and below normal precipitation allowed farmers to get in the fields this week, but did not allow some of them to get out. Wet weather from the previous week left some farmers with stuck combines and local tow truck companies with some extra income. There were 4.7 days suitable for last week, allowing soybean and corn harvest to continue. Topsoil moisture was 1 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 24 percent surplus. Corn harvest is at 95 percent complete compared to 97 percent last year and 98 percent for the five-year average. Other activities last week included fall tilling, applying fertilizer, lime and anhydrous, cleaning and winterizing equipment, and caring for livestock.

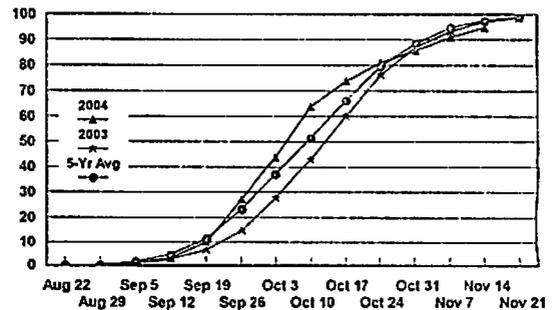
Crop Progress

Crop Stage	2004	2003	5-Year Average
November 14			
CORN:			
Harvested	95	97	98
SORGHUM:			
Harvested	89	94	97
WINTER WHEAT:			
Emerged	86	95	94

Corn - Percent Harvested
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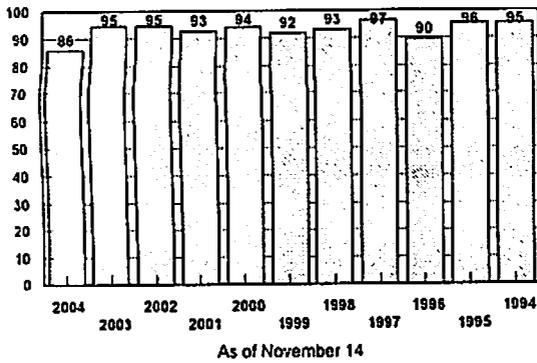


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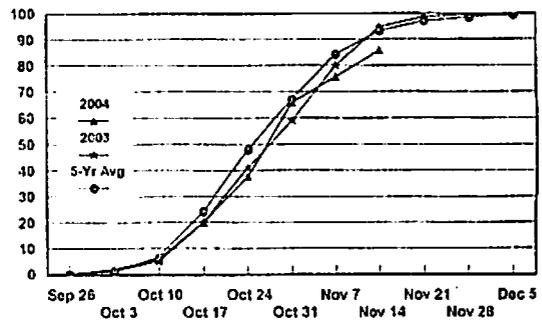
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	:	Very Short	Topsoil Moisture		
				Short	Adequate	Surplus
	November 8 - 14			November 14		
Northwest	6.2	-	3	87	10	
Northeast	6.3	-	4	96	-	
West	5.2	-	-	84	16	
Central	5.7	-	-	92	8	
East	4.8	-	-	87	13	
W Southwest	3.4	-	-	88	12	
E Southeast	2.6	-	-	45	55	
Southwest	3.4	-	-	9	91	
Southeast	2.4	-	-	18	82	
State	4.7	-	1	75	24	

Winter Wheat - Percent Emerged
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Winter Wheat - Percent Emerged
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Crop Progress by Districts

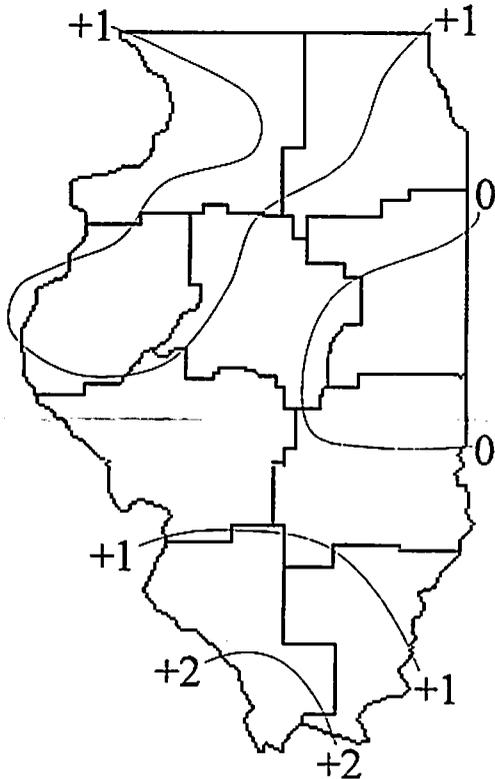
District	Corn Harvested
	November 14
Northwest	90
Northeast	83
West	95
Central	99
East	98
W Southwest	99
E Southeast	98
Southwest	97
Southeast	99
State	95

Weather Information Table

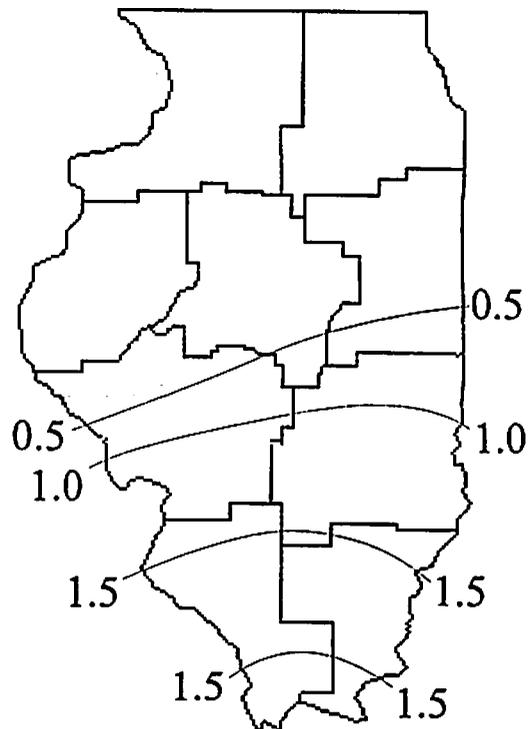
District	Temperature			Precipitation		
	Average	Normal	Departure	Total	Normal	Departure
	November 8 - 14					
Northwest	39.3	38.6	0.8	0.05	0.61	-0.56
Northeast	40.4	39.6	0.8	0.01	0.70	-0.70
West	42.9	41.6	1.2	0.04	0.67	-0.63
Central	41.8	41.3	0.5	0.07	0.71	-0.64
East	41.3	41.5	-0.2	0.15	0.75	-0.60
W Southwest	44.0	43.5	0.5	0.67	0.76	-0.08
E Southeast	44.4	44.3	0.1	1.20	0.94	0.25
Southwest	47.8	46.0	1.8	1.95	0.94	1.01
Southeast	47.8	46.4	1.3	1.89	0.90	0.98
State	43.1	42.4	0.7	0.63	0.77	-0.15

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Temperature (°F) Departure
November 8 - 14



Precipitation (in.) Total
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