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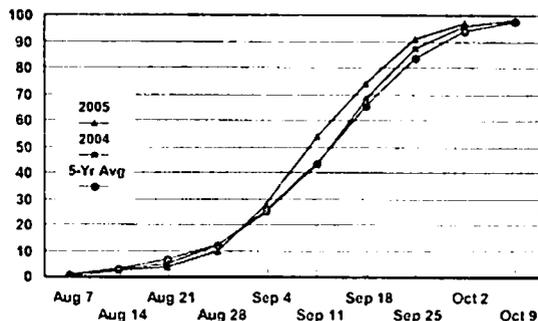
Agricultural Summary

Temperatures continued to fluctuate last week in Illinois from unseasonably warm to cool, with some frost. There were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Precipitation last week continued to improve the topsoil moisture with 17 percent very short, 25 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Harvest of corn and soybeans is underway but there has been some rain delay and high moisture content reported. Corn mature was at 97 percent, compared to 96 percent last year, and 95 percent five-year average. Corn harvest is ahead of the average with 42 percent complete, compared to 42 percent last year, and 35 percent five-year average. Soybeans shedding leaves reached 94 percent, compared to 91 percent last year, and 89 percent five-year average. Soybean harvest is 36 percent complete, compared to 47 percent last year, and 33 percent for the five-year average. Winter wheat is 11 percent seeded, compared to 12 percent last year, and 11 percent for the five-year average. Winter wheat is currently 2 percent emerged. The sorghum crop is 94 percent mature with 36 percent already harvested. Pasture conditions are rated 38 percent very poor to poor, 37 percent fair, and 25 percent good to excellent. In addition to dodging a few rain showers, farmers remained busy with the harvesting of corn and soybeans. Other farm activities included repairing machinery and grain handling equipment, planting wheat, baling corn stalks, and building fences for livestock to graze harvested fields.

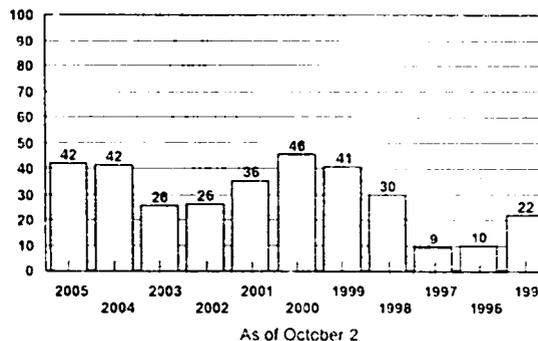
Crop Progress

Crop Stage	2005	2004	5-Year Average
October 2			
CORN:			
Mature	97	96	95
Harvested	42	42	35
SOYBEANS:			
Shedding Leaves	94	91	89
Harvested	36	47	33
SORGHUM:			
Mature	94	90	81
Harvested	36	38	26
WINTER WHEAT:			
Seeded	11	12	11
Emerged	2	2	1

Corn - Percent Mature
Illinois



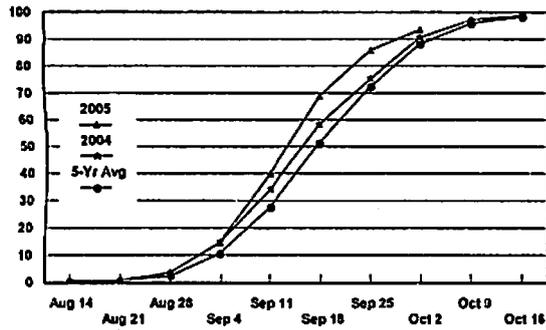
Corn - Percent Harvested
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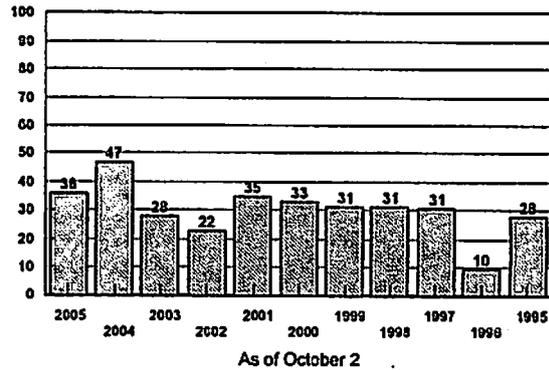
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork		Topsoil Moisture			
	September 26 - October 2	October 2	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	4.8	13	32	54	1	
Northeast	5.4	46	46	8	-	
West	5.0	17	26	56	1	
Central	4.9	20	31	49	-	
East	4.8	13	15	47	25	
W Southwest	5.0	21	25	49	5	
E Southeast	5.2	16	19	65	-	
Southwest	4.5	-	2	62	36	
Southeast	5.3	-	17	71	12	
State	5.0	17	25	51	7	

Soybeans - Percent Shedding Leaves Illinois



Soybeans - Percent Harvested Illinois



Crop Conditions

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture	16	22	37	24	1

Crop Progress by Districts

District	Corn		Soybeans	
	Mature	Harvested	Shedding Leaves	Soybeans Harvested
	October 2			
Northwest	91	18	92	31
Northeast	84	8	99	53
West	99	27	98	17
Central	99	63	99	41
East	99	32	99	51
W Southwest	99	75	93	27
E Southeast	99	52	90	50
Southwest	99	65	81	16
Southeast	99	78	91	20

Weather Information Table

Location	Temperature		Departure	Precipitation
	Maximum	Minimum		
September 26 - October 2				
Northwest:				
Freeport	81	39	2	1.74
Kewanee	80	38	-1	0.39
Moline	84	42	5	0.52
Mount Carroll	81	32	2	1.47
Paw Paw	80	38	2	0.51
Rockelle	80	38	1	0.35
Rockford	81	39	3	0.58
Northeast:				
Aurora	80	36	2	0.87
Chicago	79	43	3	0.73
Lake Villa	77	41	2	0.80
McHenry	77	38	2	0.81
Morris	83	40	4	0.89
Ottawa	84	42	2	0.41
Park Forest	79	42	1	1.12
West:				
Galesburg	80	40	3	0.90
Prairie City	81	39	2	0.99
Quincy	80	39	1	0.50
Central:				
Bloomington	81	38	-3	1.20
Decatur	79	39	1	1.89
Havana	84	36	0	1.02
Lincoln	82	35	1	1.23
Peoria	81	41	3	1.00
East:				
Champaign	82	37	2	1.92
Pontiac	83	42	3	0.98
West Southwest:				
Carlinville	79	39	-1	1.42
Morrisonville	80	41	0	0.82
Springfield	81	39	2	0.65
East Southeast:				
Effingham	81	38	1	2.70
Flora	85	39	2	0.67
Hutsonville	82	41	3	2.39
Iuka	84	41	-1	1.54
Newton	80	41	2	2.65
Paris	78	41	-2	2.20
Windsor	84	39	2	0.75
Southwest:				
Carbondale	84	40	3	1.31
Lebanon	82	42	-2	3.97
Steeleville	79	42	-3	1.77
Southeast:				
Benton	82	42	0	1.65
Grayville	82	42	-2	1.60
Mt Vernon	78	40	-1	1.61

Data is for the weekly period that ends on Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

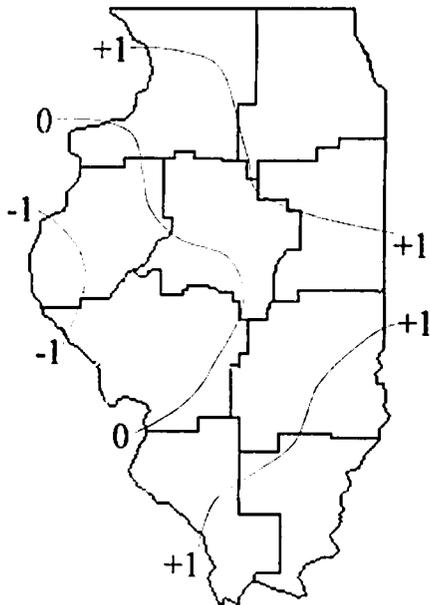
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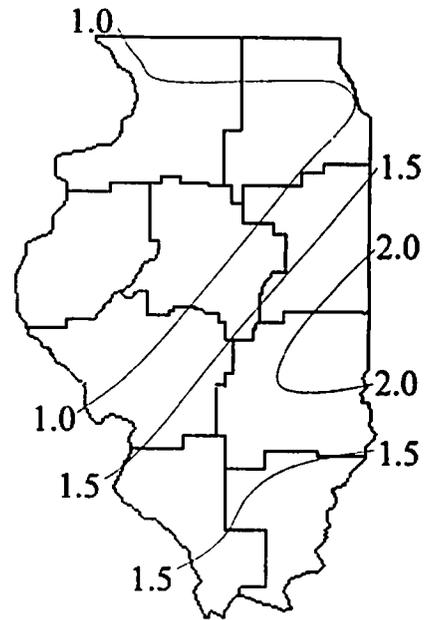
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Temperature (°F) Departure
September 26 - October 2



Precipitation (in.) Total
September 26 - October 2

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