

# ILLINOIS WEATHER & CROPS



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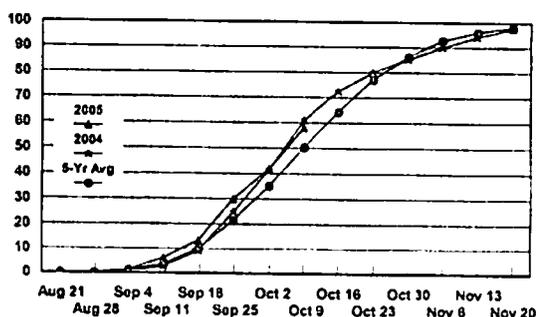
## Agricultural Summary

Warm, dry days last week allowed farmers 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture declined to 21 percent very short, 36 percent short, and 43 percent adequate. Weather conditions were ideal for farm activities and presented the opportunity for harvest to progress rapidly. Corn and soybean acres harvested lag behind last year at this time, but are ahead of the five-year average. Nearly all corn was mature at 99 percent, compared to 99 percent last year, and 98 percent five-year average. Corn harvest was 58 percent complete, compared to 61 percent last year, and 51 percent five-year average. Corn shedding leaves reached 99 percent, compared to 97 percent last year, and 96 percent five-year average. Soybean harvest was 63 percent complete, compared to 67 percent last year, and 56 percent for the five-year average. Winter wheat was 39 percent seeded, compared to 31 percent last year, and 30 percent for the five-year average. Winter wheat was 7 percent emerged, compared to 5 percent last year, and 6 percent five-year average. The sorghum crop was 95 percent mature with 63 percent harvested. Pasture conditions were rated 37 percent very poor to poor, 40 percent fair, and 23 percent good to excellent. Farm activities included harvest, repairing machinery and grain handling equipment, hauling grain, fall tillage, fertilizer and lime application, seeding wheat, and tending livestock.

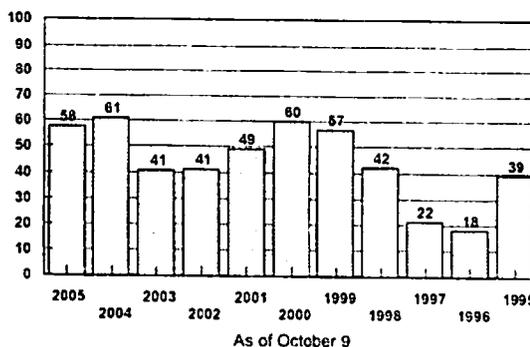
### Crop Progress

Crop Stage	2005	2004	5-Year Average
October 9			
<b>CORN:</b>			
Mature	99	99	98
Harvested	58	61	51
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>			
Shedding Leaves	99	97	96
Harvested	63	67	56
<b>SORGHUM:</b>			
Mature	95	96	91
Harvested	63	63	43
<b>WINTER WHEAT:</b>			
Seeded	39	31	30
Emerged	7	5	6

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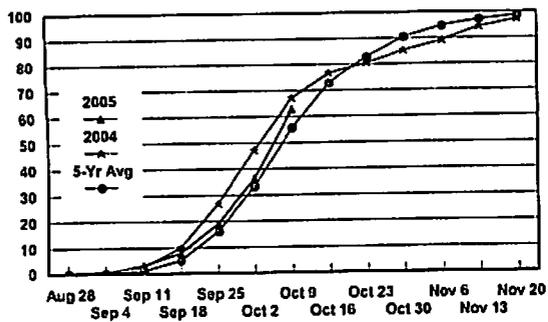
Corn - Percent Harvested  
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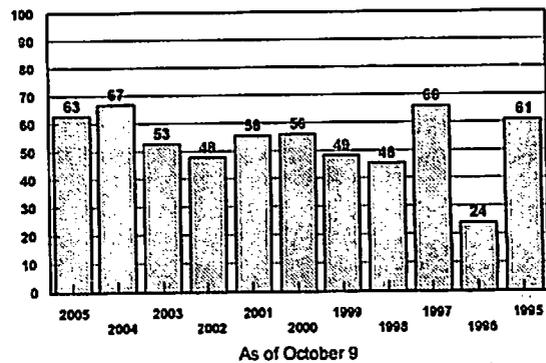
**Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table**

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		October 3 - 9		October 9	
Northwest	6.5	10	38	52	-
Northeast	6.7	35	55	10	-
West	5.8	19	40	41	-
Central	6.8	28	39	33	-
East	6.9	32	13	55	-
W Southwest	6.9	27	30	43	-
E Southeast	6.8	17	46	37	-
Southwest	6.8	-	6	93	1
Southeast	6.6	5	62	33	-
State	6.6	21	36	43	-

**Soybeans - Percent Harvested  
Illinois**



**Soybeans - Percent Harvested  
Illinois**



**Crop Conditions**

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture	18	19	40	22	1

**Crop Progress by Districts**

District	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Shedding Leaves	Soybeans Harvested
Northwest	32	96	55
Northeast	28	99	75
West	47	99	36
Central	81	99	72
East	54	99	86
W Southwest	85	99	56
E Southeast	69	98	62
Southwest	80	95	56
Southeast	80	98	47

Weather Information Table

Location	Maximum	Temperature Minimum	Departure	Precipitation
October 3 - 9				
<b>Northwest:</b>				
Freeport	87	36	7	0.16
Kewanee	88	37	5	0.10
Moline	91	40	8	0.21
Mount Carroll	89	32	6	0.50
Paw Paw	88	33	7	0.35
Rochelle	87	37	6	0.25
Rockford	88	38	8	0.01
<b>Northeast:</b>				
Aurora	88	37	7	0.17
Chicago	87	43	8	0.94
Lake Villa	85	40	7	0.39
McHenry	85	38	6	0.22
Morris	89	40	7	0.29
Ottawa	90	35	4	0.03
Park Forest	87	39	6	0.78
<b>West:</b>				
Galesburg	87	35	6	0.19
Prairie City	88	37	5	0.48
Quincy	86	37	3	0.63
<b>Central:</b>				
Bloomington	88	32	2	0.00
Decatur	89	38	5	0.00
Havana	91	37	5	0.04
Lincoln	89	36	5	0.00
Peoria	87	39	5	0.11
<b>East:</b>				
Champaign	90	38	7	0.05
Pontiac	88	39	6	0.00
<b>West Southwest:</b>				
Carlinville	87	36	3	0.00
Morrisonville	88	37	4	0.00
Springfield	88	37	5	0.00
<b>East Southeast:</b>				
Effingham	89	41	6	0.00
Flora	88	40	4	0.00
Hutsonville	92	44	8	0.00
Iuka	88	39	4	0.00
Newton	88	41	6	0.00
Paris	85	39	4	0.83
Windsor	86	38	3	0.00
<b>Southwest:</b>				
Carbondale	87	38	4	0.00
Lebanon	89	41	4	0.00
Steeleville	94	34	1	0.00
<b>Southeast:</b>				
Benton	87	41	5	0.00
Grayville	89	43	4	0.00
Mt Vernon	84	42	4	0.00

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

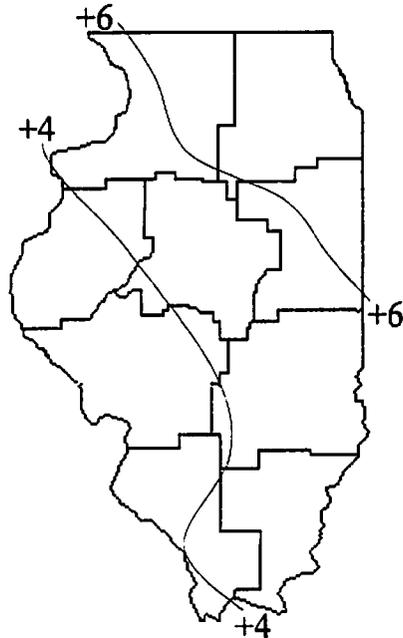
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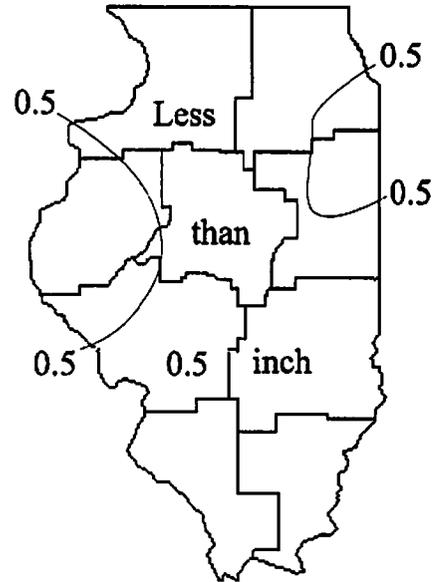
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Temperature (°F) Departure  
October 3 - 9



Precipitation (in.) Total  
October 3 - 9

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