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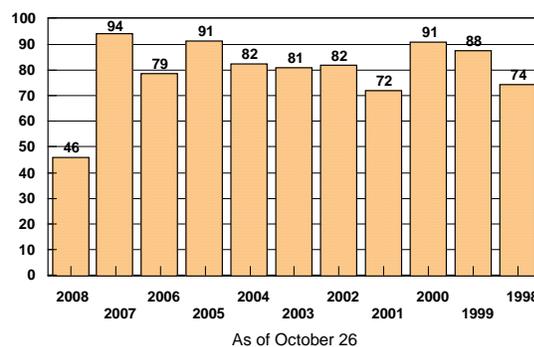
Agricultural Summary

Cool, moist conditions throughout Illinois this past week caused harvesting to slow to a crawl. Although soybean harvest is nearly complete, producers found it difficult to get into fields. Strong winds across the region on October 26th downed corn in some areas. There were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork. The average temperature was 2.7 degrees below normal. The average weekly precipitation was 0.43 inch above normal.

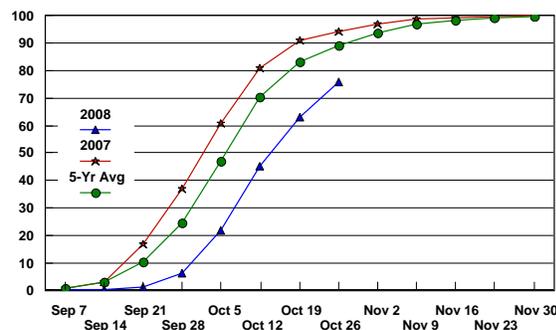
Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	2007	5-Year Average
October 26				
CORN:				
Harvested	46	32	94	85
SOYBEANS:				
Harvested	76	63	94	89
SORGHUM:				
Harvested	39	29	95	76
WINTER WHEAT:				
Seeding	78	52	95	84
Emerged	40	22	70	56

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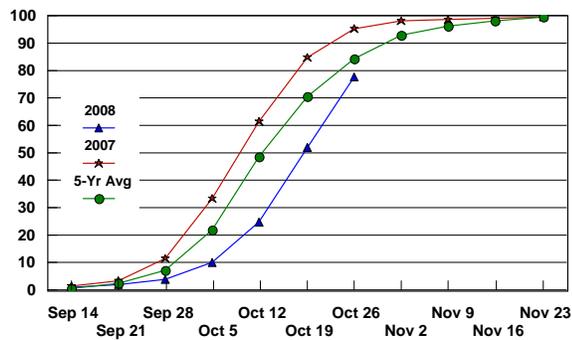
Soybeans - Percent Harvested
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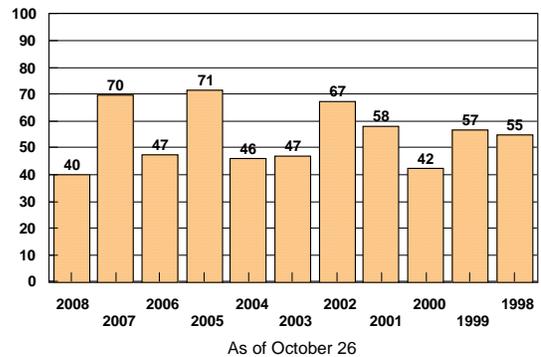
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	October 20 - 26		October 26		
Northwest	4.0	-	2	81	17
Northeast	3.9	-	-	77	23
West	4.1	-	-	71	29
Central	4.2	-	-	86	14
East	4.5	-	3	78	19
W Southwest	4.5	-	-	82	18
E Southeast	4.8	13	3	81	3
Southwest	4.1	-	-	65	35
Southeast	4.3	1	14	76	9
State	4.3	1	2	79	18

Winter Wheat - Percent Seeded
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Winter Wheat - Percent Emerged
Illinois



Crop Conditions

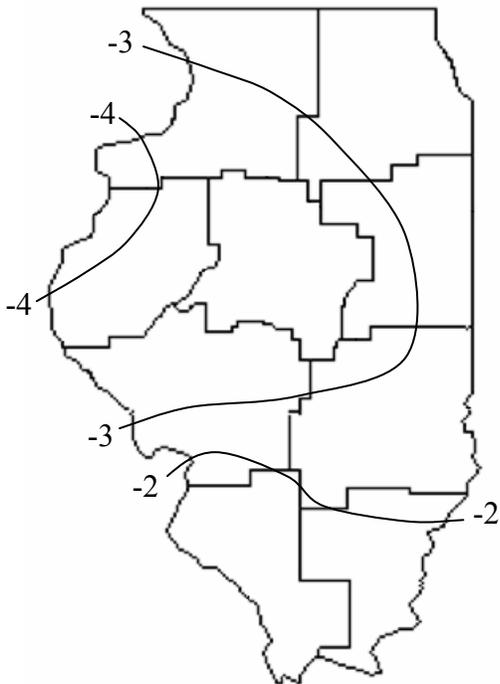
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
			October 26		
Winter Wheat	-	-	19	74	7

Crop Progress by Districts

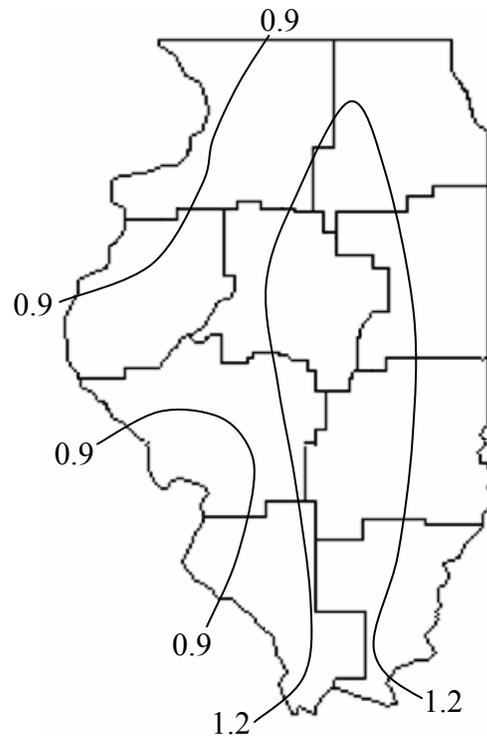
District	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Harvested	Winter Wheat Planted
		October 26	
Northwest	31	83	91
Northeast	31	92	98
West	39	64	57
Central	59	82	98
East	50	86	91
W Southwest	48	64	76
E Southeast	49	82	87
Southwest	59	50	65
Southeast	74	64	74
State	46	76	78

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days		
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure	Since May 1	Departure	
		October 20 - 26					
Northwest	46.6	-3.0	0.95	0.42	2,757	-111	
Northeast	47.1	-2.7	1.07	0.53	2,720	-122	
West	48.3	-3.9	0.93	0.35	3,076	-194	
Central	47.9	-3.6	1.26	0.68	2,992	-181	
East	48.2	-2.9	1.09	0.46	2,980	-129	
W Southwest	50.4	-2.8	0.86	0.19	3,253	-170	
E Southeast	50.8	-2.5	1.26	0.52	3,372	-75	
Southwest	53.0	-1.6	1.03	0.29	3,570	-61	
Southeast	53.3	-1.5	1.17	0.43	3,713	39	
State	49.4	-2.7	1.07	0.43	3,138	-116	



Temperature (°F) Departure
October 20 - 26



Precipitation (in.) Total
October 20 - 26

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