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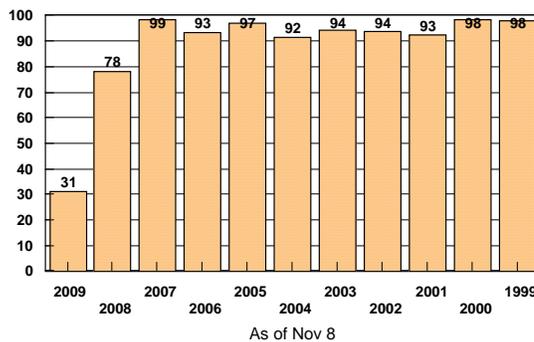
Agricultural Summary

The return of warmer, drier weather has finally allowed farmers to make good progress in crop harvest. Brightly lit combines rolling after dark were a common sight throughout Illinois as producers were harvesting late into the night. Soybeans in particular made noteworthy progress, with just over one-third of Illinois soybean acreage being harvested last week. There were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork reported. Topsoil moisture was rated 65 percent adequate and 35 percent surplus. Thirty-one percent of the corn crop was reported as harvested, while the five-year average corn harvest is 92 percent. Corn was rated at 65 percent good to excellent and 26 percent fair, with 9 percent rated as poor or very poor. The soybean harvest was reported as 69 percent complete, while the five-year average is 96 percent. Soybeans were rated at 59 percent good to excellent; 30 percent rated as fair and 11 percent rated as poor or very poor. Temperatures statewide averaged 50.7 degrees, 5.1 degrees above the state average. Statewide precipitation averaged 0.01 inch, 0.61 inch below average.

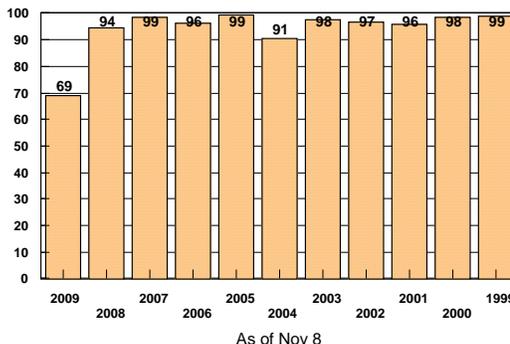
Crop Progress Percents

	This Week	Last Week	2008	5-Year Average
November 8				
CORN:				
Mature	97	92	100	100
Harvested	31	19	78	92
SOYBEANS:				
Harvested	69	35	94	96
SORGHUM:				
Harvested	47	33	62	86
WINTER WHEAT:				
Seeded	63	35	96	96
Emerged	37	20	83	85

Corn - Percent Harvested
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Soybeans - Percent Harvested
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Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
November 8					
Corn	1	8	26	49	16
Soybeans	3	8	30	48	11
Sorghum	-	6	28	61	5
Winter Wheat	-	12	50	36	2
Pasture	1	6	24	55	14

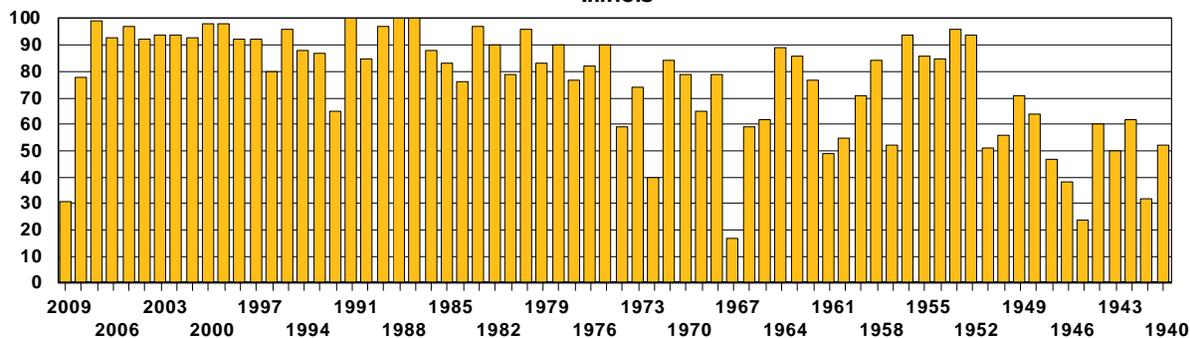
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Percents			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Nov. 2 - 8		November 8			
Northwest	6.3	-	-	74	26
Northeast	6.0	-	-	80	20
West	6.9	-	-	79	21
Central	6.2	-	-	70	30
East	6.1	-	-	64	36
W Southwest	5.9	-	-	34	66
E Southeast	6.7	-	-	80	20
Southwest	4.5	-	-	-	100
Southeast	5.3	-	-	6	94
State	6.2	-	-	65	35

Corn - Percent Harvested

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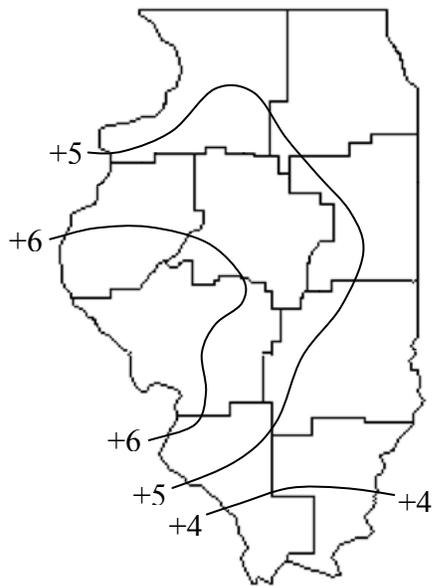


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

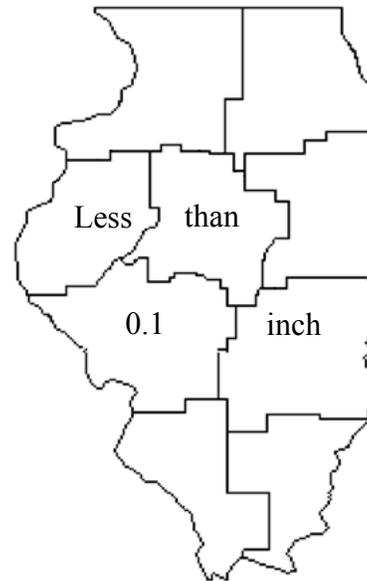
District	Corn Mature	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Harvested
November 8			
Northwest	94	29	67
Northeast	98	14	73
West	98	24	65
Central	99	36	75
East	92	30	81
W Southwest	99	33	52
E Southeast	99	44	77
Southwest	100	83	60
Southeast	100	60	50
State	97	31	69

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure
November 2 - 8				
Northwest	47.2	4.9	0.05	-0.41
Northeast	47.6	4.5	0.01	-0.51
West	50.9	6.1	0.01	-0.57
Central	50.2	5.6	0.01	-0.58
East	49.5	4.8	0.01	-0.56
W Southwest	52.5	6.0	0.01	-0.71
E Southeast	51.9	4.6	0.03	-0.64
Southwest	53.9	5.0	0.00	-0.78
Southeast	53.9	4.4	0.00	-0.78
State	50.7	5.1	0.01	-0.61



Temperature (°F) Departure
November 2 - 8



Precipitation (in.) Total
November 2 - 8

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