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Agricultural Summary

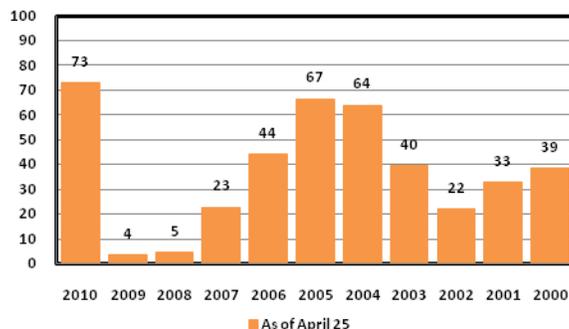
Last week proved to be another busy week in the fields for producers. Great planting conditions allowed many producers the chance to finish planting corn and start preparing for soybeans. Temperatures averaged 56.1 degrees, 0.7 degrees above normal across the state. Statewide precipitation averaged 1.57 inches, 0.63 inches above normal, with 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Corn jumped to 73 percent planted compared to 4 percent a year ago and 28 percent for the five-year average. This surpasses the previous high percent planted for April 25 of 67 in 2005. Soybeans are 5 percent planted compared to the five-year average of 1 percent. Oats are 91 percent planted. Topsoil moisture was rated 3 percent short, 71 percent adequate and 26 percent surplus.

Crop Progress Percents

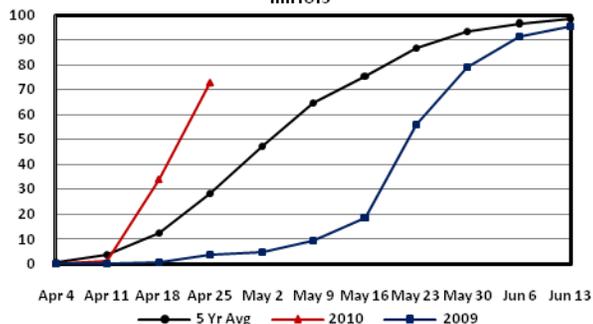
| | This Week | Last Week | 2009 | 5-Year Average |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|------|----------------|
| April 25 | | | | |
| CORN: | | | | |
| Planted | 73 | 34 | 4 | 28 |
| Emerged | 10 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| SOYBEANS: | | | | |
| Planted | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| SORGHUM: | | | | |
| Planted | 6 | 1/ | 0 | 2 |
| WHEAT: | | | | |
| Headed | 6 | 1/ | 0 | 3 |
| OATS: | | | | |
| Planted | 91 | 89 | 69 | 75 |
| ALFALFA: | | | | |
| First Cut | 1 | 1/ | 0 | 1 |

1/ Less than one percent.

Corn - Percent Planted
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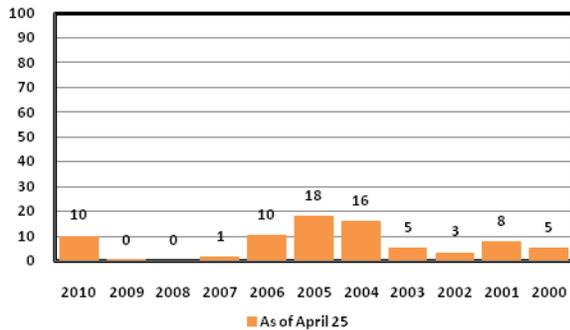
Crop Condition Percents

| Crop | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|--------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| April 25 | | | | | |
| Winter Wheat | 7 | 23 | 39 | 28 | 3 |
| Oats | - | 3 | 25 | 61 | 11 |
| Alfalfa | 1 | 3 | 19 | 65 | 12 |
| Red Clover | 1 | 1 | 14 | 77 | 7 |
| Pasture | 1 | 2 | 16 | 61 | 20 |

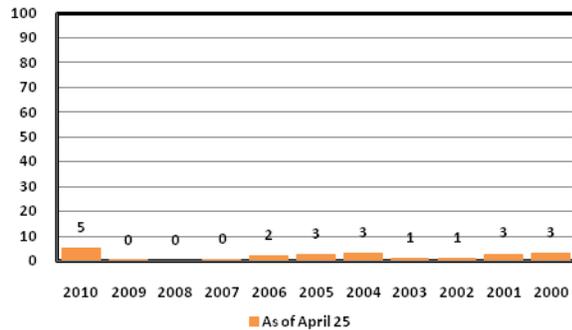
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents

| District | Days Suitable For Fieldwork | Topsoil Moisture Percents | | | |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-------|----------|---------|
| | | Very Short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
| April 19 - 25 | | April 25 | | | |
| Northwest | 5.3 | - | 8 | 80 | 12 |
| Northeast | 5.5 | - | 6 | 93 | 1 |
| West | 4.9 | - | - | 59 | 41 |
| Central | 4.7 | - | - | 82 | 18 |
| East | 5.0 | 1 | 6 | 88 | 5 |
| W Southwest | 4.8 | - | 4 | 67 | 29 |
| E Southeast | 4.5 | - | - | 42 | 58 |
| Southwest | 4.7 | - | 10 | 36 | 54 |
| Southeast | 5.5 | - | - | 69 | 31 |
| State | 4.9 | - | 3 | 71 | 26 |

**Corn - Percent Emerged
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**Soybeans - Percent Planted
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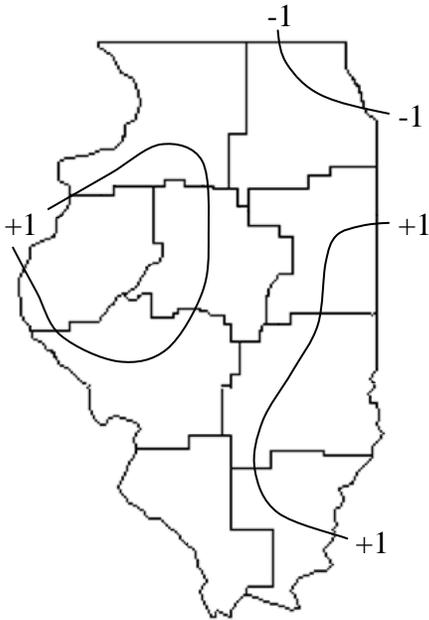


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

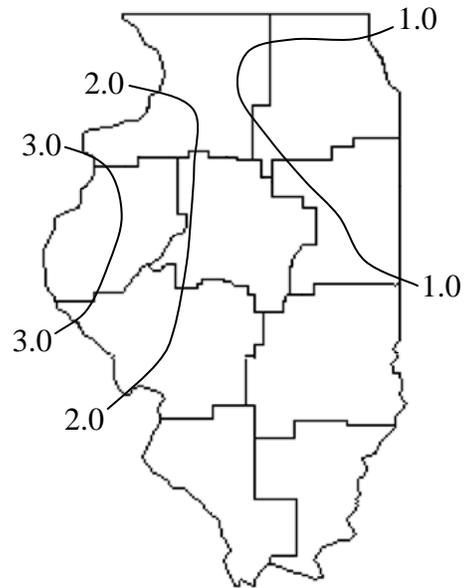
| District | Corn Planted | Corn Emerged | Soybeans Planted |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| April 25 | | | |
| Northwest | 69 | 1 | 9 |
| Northeast | 66 | 1 | 2 |
| West | 61 | 5 | 3 |
| Central | 82 | 17 | 4 |
| East | 80 | 6 | 4 |
| W Southwest | 69 | 16 | 3 |
| E Southeast | 79 | 17 | 8 |
| Southwest | 83 | 30 | 4 |
| Southeast | 67 | 39 | 3 |
| State | 73 | 10 | 5 |

Weather Information Table

| District | Temperature (°F) | | Precipitation (in.) | |
|---------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| | Average | Departure | Total | Departure |
| April 19 - 25 | | | | |
| Northwest | 53.2 | 0.7 | 1.64 | 0.77 |
| Northeast | 51.9 | 0.1 | 0.82 | -0.05 |
| West | 56.8 | 1.3 | 2.78 | 1.88 |
| Central | 55.5 | 0.8 | 1.55 | 0.73 |
| East | 55.0 | 0.8 | 0.98 | 0.18 |
| W Southwest | 57.4 | 0.5 | 1.88 | 0.93 |
| E Southeast | 57.9 | 1.0 | 1.49 | 0.45 |
| Southwest | 58.8 | 0.2 | 1.42 | 0.30 |
| Southeast | 60.1 | 1.3 | 1.67 | 0.50 |
| State | 56.1 | 0.7 | 1.57 | 0.63 |



Temperature (°F) Departure
April 19 - 25



Precipitation (in.) Total
April 19 - 25

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