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## Agricultural Summary

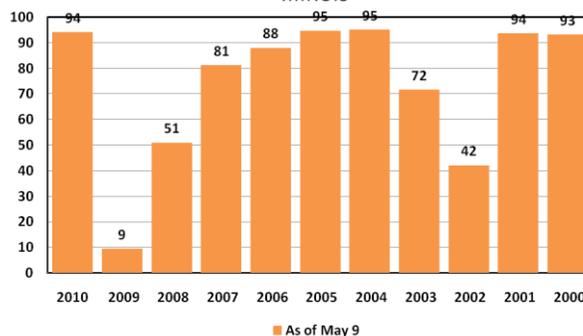
Once again, farmers across much of Illinois enjoyed excellent weather conditions last week. Many producers were able to finish planting corn and start planting and drilling soybeans. Temperatures averaged 58.2 degrees, 0.9 degrees below normal across the state. Statewide precipitation averaged 0.44 inches, 0.57 inches below normal, with 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Corn plantings are nearing completion with 94 percent planted compared to 9 percent a year ago and 65 percent for the five-year average. Corn emergence is at 63 percent compared to the five-year average of 33 percent. Soybeans are 33 percent planted compared to the five-year average of 18 percent. Soybean emergence is at 4 percent compared to the five-year average of 1 percent. Winter wheat is 43 percent headed. Topsoil moisture was rated 6 percent short, 77 percent adequate and 17 percent surplus. Corn condition is 1 percent very poor, 2 percent poor, 15 percent fair, 72 percent good, and 10 percent excellent. Winter wheat condition is 4 percent very poor, 25 percent poor, 38 percent fair, 31 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. Pasture condition is 18 percent poor to fair and 82 percent good to excellent.

### Crop Progress Percents

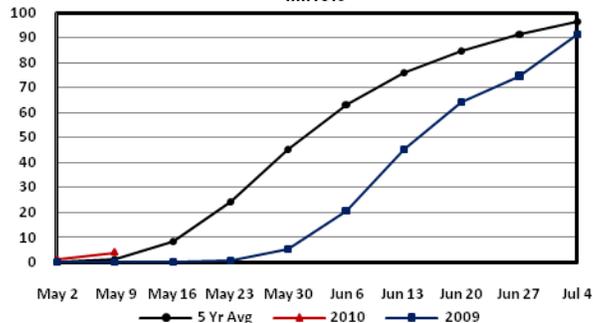
	This Week	Last Week	2009	5-Year Average
May 9				
<b>CORN:</b>				
Planted	94	87	9	65
Emerged	63	39	3	33
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>				
Planted	33	11	0	18
Emerged	4	1	0	1
<b>SORGHUM:</b>				
Planted	13	9	0	11
<b>WHEAT:</b>				
Headed	43	12	19	40
Filled	1	1/	0	4
<b>OATS:</b>				
Planted	96	95	86	93
Headed	5	2	1	2
<b>ALFALFA:</b>				
First Cut	7	6	1	7
<b>RED CLOVER:</b>				
Percent Cut:	3	1/	0	7

1/ Less than one percent.

Corn - Percent Planted  
Illinois



Soybeans - Percent Emerged  
Illinois



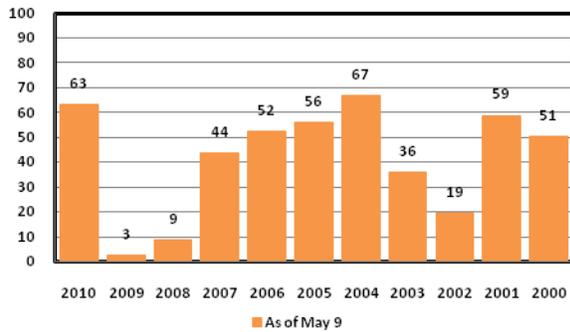
**Crop Condition Percents**

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
			May 9		
Corn	1	2	15	72	10
Winter Wheat	4	25	38	31	2
Oats	1	2	20	70	7
Alfalfa	1	3	20	64	12
Red Clover	-	1	28	63	8
Pasture	-	1	17	63	19

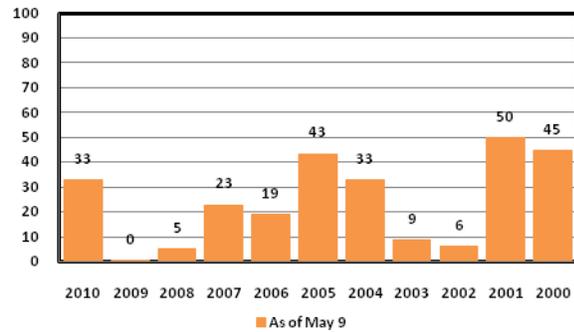
**Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents**

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Percents			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	May 3 - 9		May 9		
Northwest	3.9	-	2	90	8
Northeast	4.7	-	1	96	3
West	4.0	-	-	75	25
Central	5.8	-	9	82	9
East	5.1	-	15	84	1
W Southwest	4.8	-	8	73	19
E Southeast	3.4	-	2	64	34
Southwest	2.2	-	11	38	51
Southeast	2.3	-	-	47	53
State	4.4	-	6	77	17

**Corn - Percent Emerged  
Illinois**



**Soybeans - Percent Planted  
Illinois**

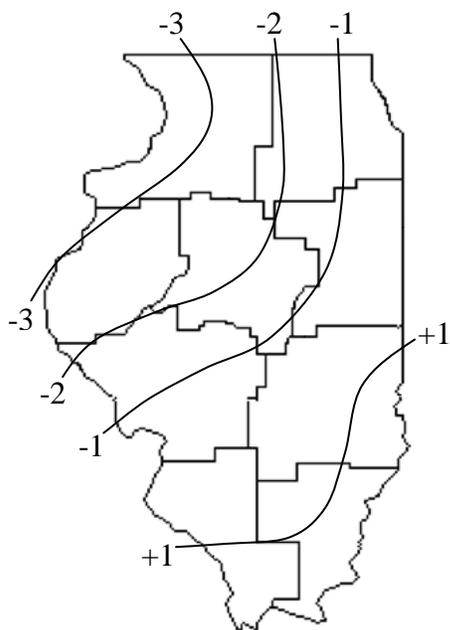


**Crop Progress Percents by Districts**

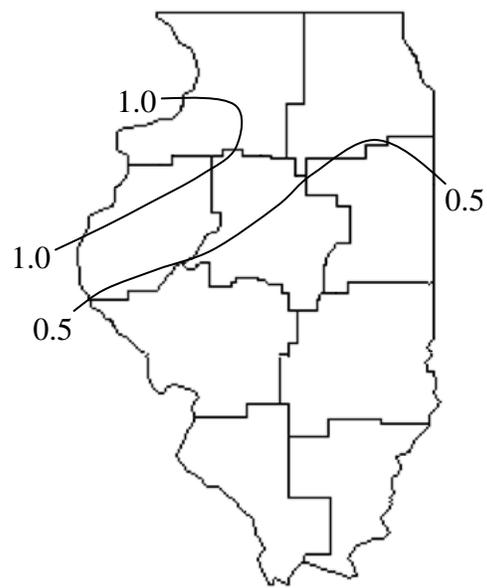
District	Corn Planted	Corn Emerged	Soybeans Planted	Soybeans Emerged
			May 9	
Northwest	94	45	40	4
Northeast	98	42	40	2
West	88	53	21	2
Central	99	83	45	6
East	99	78	50	4
W Southwest	95	68	39	3
E Southeast	90	62	15	5
Southwest	91	63	14	2
Southeast	79	70	9	2
State	94	63	33	4

**Weather Information Table**

District	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure	Since May 1	Departure
May 3 - 9						
Northwest	53.7	-3.1	0.85	-0.14	62	1
Northeast	54.8	-1.2	0.82	-0.14	69	13
West	56.7	-2.5	0.78	-0.40	74	-7
Central	56.7	-2.0	0.36	-0.71	78	2
East	57.7	-0.5	0.33	-0.63	88	15
W Southwest	59.3	-1.0	0.10	-0.93	93	3
E Southeast	60.9	0.6	0.20	-0.83	113	22
Southwest	62.3	0.7	0.25	-0.66	123	22
Southeast	63.0	1.2	0.31	-0.67	128	25
State	58.2	-0.9	0.44	-0.57	91	10



Temperature (°F) Departure  
May 3 - 9



Precipitation (in.) Total  
May 3 - 9

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