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Agricultural Summary

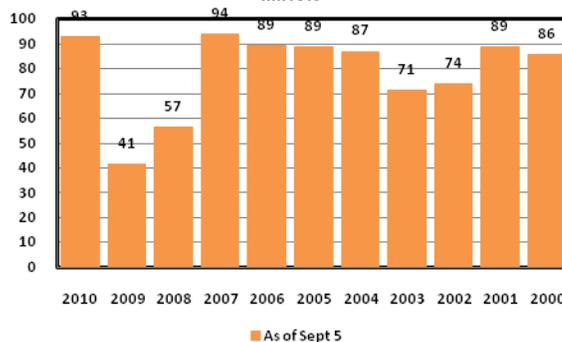
Above average rainfall returned to the state last week, with the vast majority of it coming in one rainfall which was heavier in the central part of the state. This led to a temporary slowdown of the early harvests, but producers were able to get back into the fields relatively quickly. Soybeans again benefited from the rainfall in areas where moisture levels are not excessive. There were 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork last week across the state. The corn crop advanced to 57 percent mature compared to the five-year average of 24 percent. An estimated 7 percent of the corn crop has been harvested, with conditions being rated as 60 percent good to excellent. Soybeans turning yellow reached 49 percent compared to 31 percent for the five-year average. Topsoil moisture was rated at 11 percent very short, 22 percent short, 63 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Temperatures statewide averaged 71.4 degrees, .2 degrees below the state average. Farmers were either busy harvesting or preparing machinery for harvest as well as baling some hay and cutting silage.

Crop Progress Percents

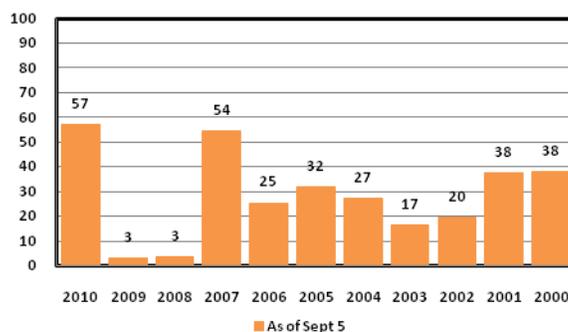
	This Week	Last Week	2009	5-Year Average
September 5				
CORN:				
Dented	93	87	41	74
Mature	57	34	3	24
Harvested	7	2	1/	2
SOYBEANS:				
Setting Pods	99	98	97	99
Turning Yellow	49	22	6	31
Shedding Leaves	17	5	1	10
SORGHUM:				
Coloring	78	62	45	69
Mature	17	3	6	26
Harvested	2	1/	1/	2
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Third Cut	86	79	77	89

1/ Less than one percent.

Corn - Percent Dented
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Corn - Percent Mature
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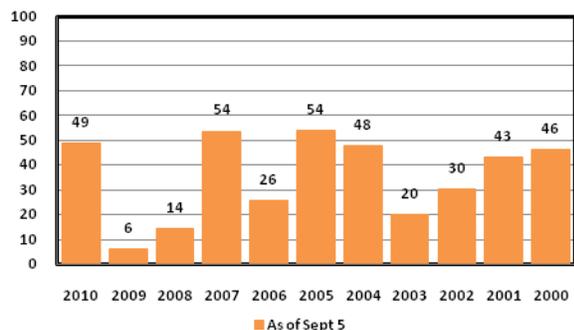
Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
September 5					
Corn	4	10	26	45	15
Soybeans	3	7	27	48	15
Sorghum	3	6	24	50	17
Pasture	5	9	39	40	7

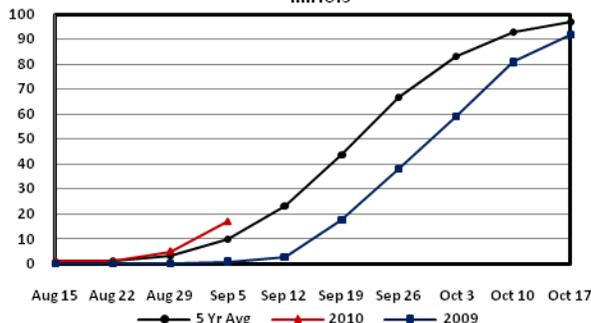
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Percents			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Aug. 30-Sept. 5		September 5			
Northwest	5.6	-	9	90	1
Northeast	4.9	4	29	66	1
West	4.4	-	-	84	16
Central	5.3	17	4	62	17
East	4.9	12	42	46	-
W Southwest	5.3	-	13	84	3
E Southeast	5.4	15	39	45	1
Southwest	6.2	18	42	39	1
Southeast	6.8	64	22	14	-
State	5.3	11	22	63	4

**Soybeans - Percent Turning Yellow
Illinois**



**Soybeans - Percent Shedding Leaves
Illinois**

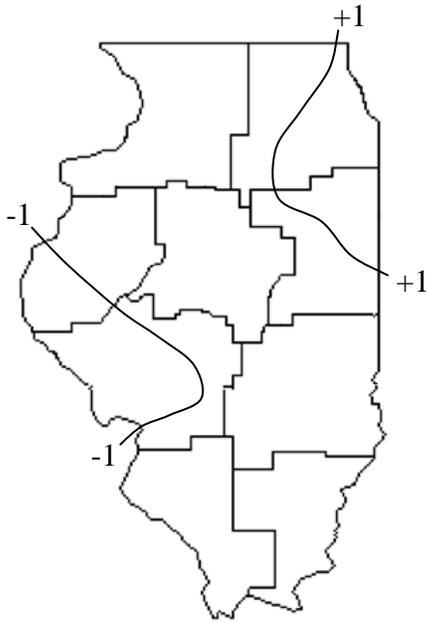


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

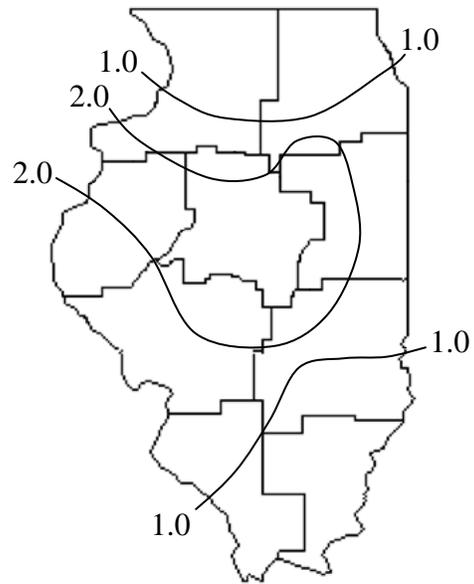
District	Corn Dent	Corn Mature	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Turning Yellow	Soybeans Dropping Leaves
September 5					
Northwest	82	35	2	47	21
Northeast	98	32	1	45	10
West	88	36	1	25	3
Central	92	72	8	71	21
East	97	63	6	63	21
W Southwest	97	72	8	24	3
E Southeast	92	72	12	47	20
Southwest	98	88	34	56	36
Southeast	99	92	26	65	26
State	93	57	7	49	17

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure	Since May 1	Departure
August 30 - September 5						
Northwest	69.2	0.1	1.22	0.58	2,658	225
Northeast	70.4	1.0	1.65	1.03	2,675	278
West	70.8	-0.9	1.83	1.09	2,899	237
Central	70.9	0.0	2.24	1.56	2,851	251
East	71.2	0.8	2.16	1.54	2,837	276
W Southwest	71.4	-1.1	2.22	1.61	2,983	237
E Southeast	72.4	-0.2	1.81	1.14	3,047	286
Southwest	73.0	-0.8	1.08	0.42	3,153	299
Southeast	73.7	-0.4	0.55	-0.15	3,205	321
State	71.4	-0.2	1.68	1.02	2,911	265



Temperature (°F) Departure
August 30 – September 5



Precipitation (in.) Total
August 30 – September 5

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