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Agricultural Summary

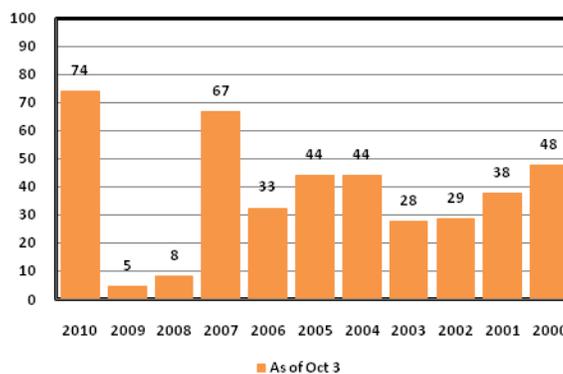
Last week was cool and dry for much of the state, allowing harvest to continue at an exceptional rate. With harvest progressing, many producers have started fall tillage, fertilizer applications, and wheat seeding. There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Temperatures averaged 57 degrees across the state, 4.4 degrees below average. Precipitation averaged .14 inches, .54 inches below normal. Corn harvest advanced to 74 percent complete, compared to just 5 percent last year and a five-year average of 31 percent. Soybean harvest jumped to 50 percent complete, well ahead of last year's 5 percent and the five-year average of 28 percent. Winter wheat is now 20 percent seeded, compared to the five-year average of 14 percent.

Crop Progress Percents

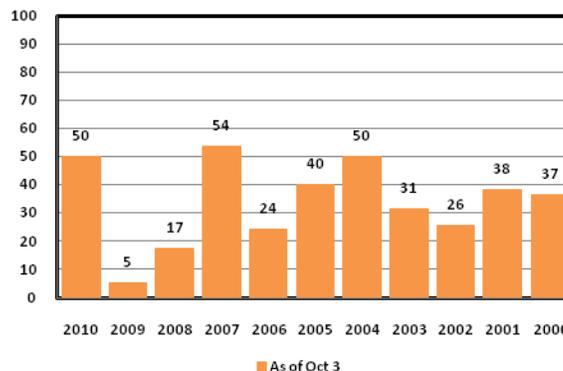
	This Week	Last Week	2009	5-Year Average
October 3				
CORN:				
Mature	98	97	39	80
Harvested	74	57	5	31
SOYBEANS:				
Turning Yellow	97	94	84	94
Shedding Leaves	91	80	59	83
Harvested	50	22	5	28
SORGHUM:				
Coloring	98	97	89	96
Mature	88	76	43	76
Harvested	54	32	6	28
WINTER WHEAT:				
Seeded	20	8	6	14
Emerged	1	<u>1</u> / ₁₀₀	2	2

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Corn - Percent Harvested
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Soybeans - Percent Harvested
Illinois



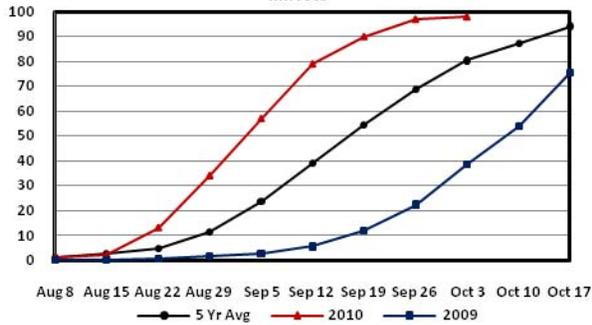
Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
October 3					
Soybeans	3	7	25	48	17
Sorghum	2	5	27	54	12
Pasture	5	9	40	41	5

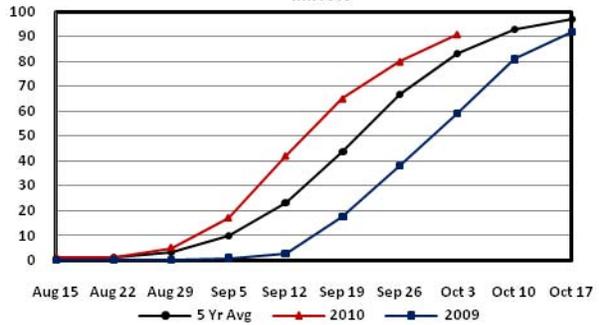
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Percents			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Sept. 27-Oct. 3		October 3			
Northwest	6.6	2	19	79	-
Northeast	6.8	-	24	76	-
West	6.3	-	6	79	15
Central	6.3	3	10	73	14
East	6.0	14	50	36	-
W Southwest	6.0	-	1	93	6
E Southeast	6.2	7	51	41	1
Southwest	6.8	12	33	52	3
Southeast	6.5	53	44	3	-
State	6.3	7	26	63	4

Corn - Percent Mature
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Soybeans - Percent Shedding Leaves
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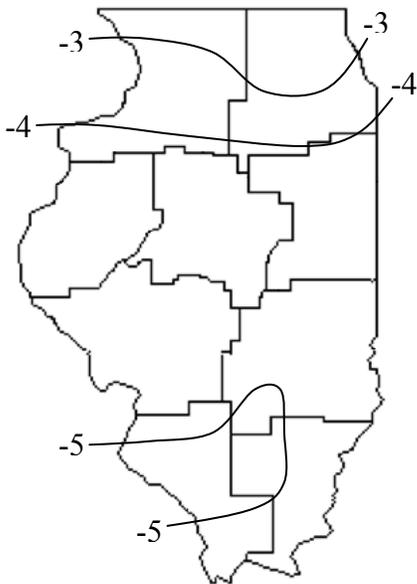


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

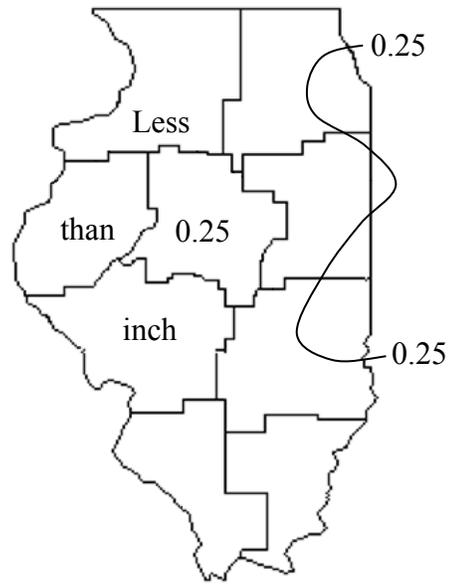
District	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Turning Yellow	Soybeans Shedding Leaves	Soybeans Harvested
October 3				
Northwest	51	99	96	41
Northeast	56	99	94	61
West	52	92	82	21
Central	88	99	95	64
East	92	100	99	65
W Southwest	79	99	90	38
E Southeast	88	95	85	53
Southwest	91	94	83	46
Southeast	93	95	92	59
State	74	97	91	50

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure	Since May 1	Departure
September 27 - October 3						
Northwest	55.0	-3.6	0.09	-0.64	3,035	223
Northeast	55.7	-3.3	0.21	-0.56	3,046	265
West	57.0	-4.4	0.08	-0.78	3,335	241
Central	56.3	-4.7	0.15	-0.59	3,289	258
East	56.2	-4.6	0.22	-0.54	3,285	298
W Southwest	57.8	-4.7	0.11	-0.47	3,444	238
E Southeast	58.1	-4.6	0.22	-0.40	3,530	299
Southwest	58.2	-5.3	0.09	-0.45	3,651	309
Southeast	59.3	-4.6	0.08	-0.46	3,725	344
State	57.0	-4.4	0.14	-0.54	3,356	272



Temperature (°F) Departure
September 27 – October 3



Precipitation (in.) Total
September 27 – October 3

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