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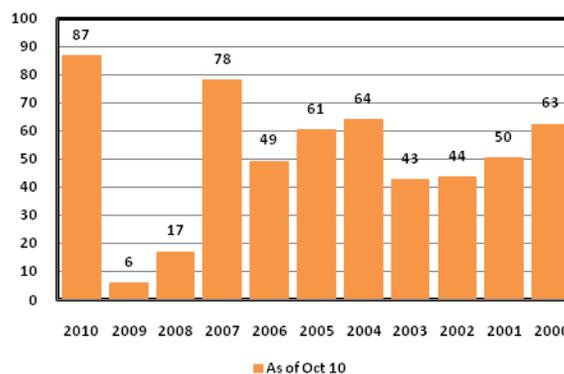
Agricultural Summary

Last week was warm and exceedingly dry for all of the state. Harvest progress has continued at the rapid pace of the previous weeks. Many areas of the state are nearly done with corn harvest, and are wrapping up the harvest of the late planted soybeans as well. Many of the producers that have finished harvest are moving on to fall tillage, with some choosing to till deeper than normal in order to break up compaction from previous years. Those that have already planted their winter wheat are hoping for a light shower to help with emergence. There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Temperatures averaged 59 degrees across the state, 2.4 degrees above average. All reports indicate zero precipitation statewide, while the normal rainfall for this week is 0.66 inches. Corn harvest advanced to 87 percent complete, compared to 6 percent last year and a five-year average of 42 percent. Soybean harvest is at 79 percent complete, well ahead of last year's 9 percent and the five-year average of 49 percent. Winter wheat is now 56 percent seeded, with 13 percent reported as emerged.

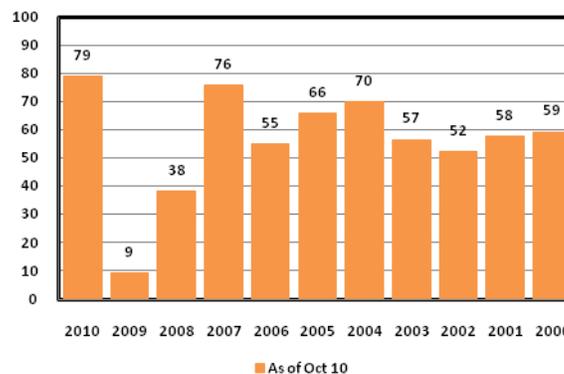
Crop Progress Percents

	This Week	Last Week	2009	5-Year Average
October 10				
CORN:				
Harvested	87	74	6	42
SOYBEANS:				
Shedding Leaves	97	91	81	93
Harvested	79	50	9	49
SORGHUM:				
Coloring	99	98	98	99
Mature	91	88	64	85
Harvested	61	54	8	42
WINTER WHEAT:				
Seeded	56	20	11	35
Emerged	13	1	5	7

Corn - Percent Harvested
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Soybeans - Percent Harvested
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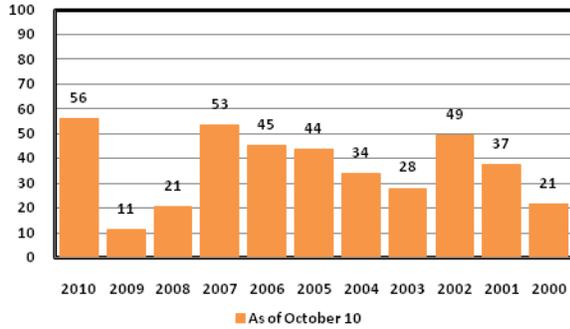
Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
October 10					
Pasture	5	17	37	38	3

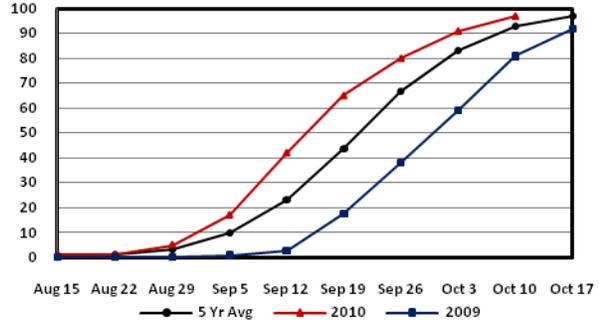
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Percents			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Oct. 4-10		October 10			
Northwest	6.8	17	46	37	-
Northeast	7.0	13	32	55	-
West	7.0	-	22	78	-
Central	6.9	4	29	53	14
East	7.0	25	47	28	-
W Southwest	7.0	-	12	81	7
E Southeast	6.9	12	57	31	-
Southwest	7.0	23	28	43	6
Southeast	7.0	85	15	-	-
State	6.9	16	34	47	3

**Wheat - Percent Seeded
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**Soybeans - Percent Shedding Leaves
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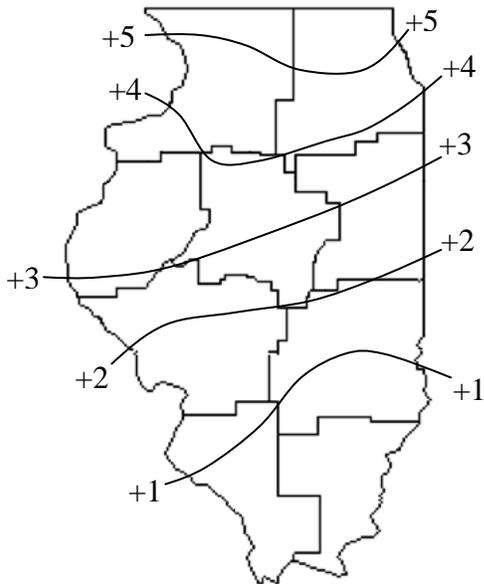


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

District	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Shedding Leaves	Soybeans Harvested	Winter Wheat Seeded
October 10				
Northwest	72	96	81	70
Northeast	74	98	83	63
West	77	93	54	44
Central	95	99	88	92
East	98	99	93	72
W Southwest	92	98	71	48
E Southeast	97	98	81	61
Southwest	92	90	65	53
Southeast	94	99	74	47
State	87	97	79	56

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure	Since May 1	Departure
	October 4 - 10					
Northwest	58.1	4.4	0.0	-0.65	3,132	263
Northeast	58.7	4.8	0.0	-0.60	3,140	304
West	59.8	3.4	0.0	-0.66	3,433	270
Central	58.9	3.0	0.0	-0.64	3,386	288
East	58.4	2.7	0.0	-0.66	3,382	328
W Southwest	59.1	1.4	0.0	-0.67	3,541	259
E Southeast	59.1	1.0	0.0	-0.77	3,628	320
Southwest	59.1	0.0	0.0	-0.62	3,750	325
Southeast	60.0	0.5	0.0	-0.65	3,829	363
State	59.0	2.4	0.0	-0.66	3,453	299



Temperature (°F) Departure
October 4 - 10



Precipitation (in.) Total
October 4 - 10

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