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Agricultural Summary

Last month, statewide temperatures were below normal while precipitation was also below normal for much of the state. The cold temperatures allowed what snow did fall to blanket fields in most parts of the state, with a partial thawing occurring late in the month. Temperatures averaged 23.5 degrees, 6.4 degrees colder than normal. Statewide precipitation averaged 1.71 inches, 0.98 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture was rated 1 percent very short, 12 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Winter wheat conditions stand at 3 percent very poor, 13 percent poor, 42 percent fair, 39 percent good, and 3 percent excellent.

Soil Moisture Table

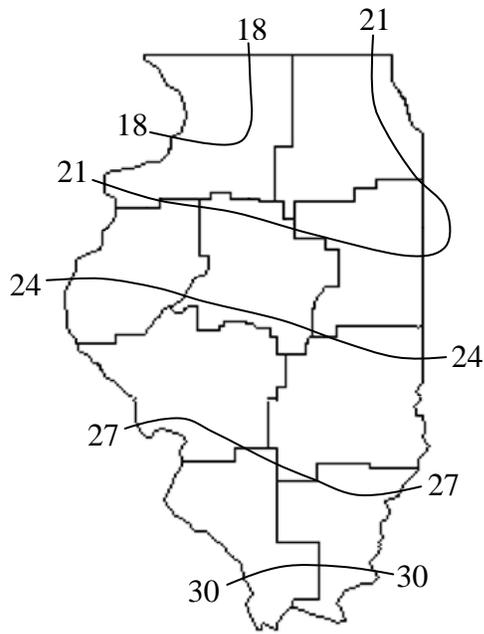
District	Topsoil Moisture			
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
January 2				
Northwest	-	7	91	2
Northeast	-	1	89	10
West	-	9	89	2
Central	-	5	78	17
East	4	27	67	2
W Southwest	-	16	70	14
E Southeast	-	6	81	13
Southwest	-	4	80	16
Southeast	3	40	52	5
State	1	12	79	8

Weather Information Table

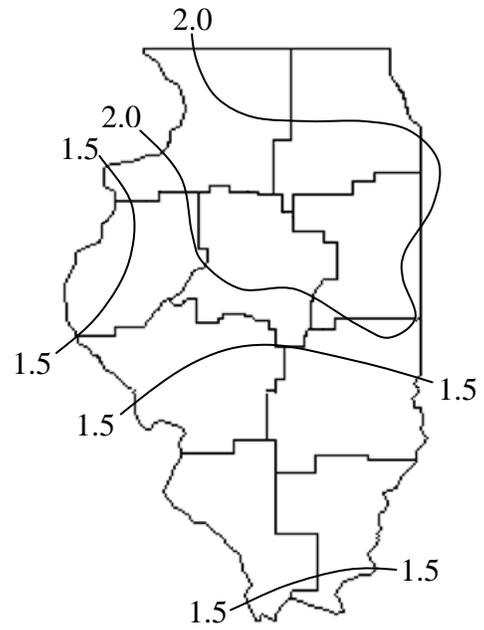
District	Temperature		Precipitation	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure
December 1 - 31				
Northwest	18.4	-6.7	2.12	0.08
Northeast	20.1	-6.4	1.97	-0.34
West	23.8	-4.8	1.49	-0.75
Central	21.8	-6.6	2.18	-0.32
East	20.6	-8.1	2.18	-0.40
W Southwest	25.8	-5.4	1.40	-1.32
E Southeast	25.7	-6.6	1.41	-1.67
Southwest	28.2	-6.2	1.19	-2.24
Southeast	28.6	-6.5	1.38	-2.22
State	23.5	-6.4	1.71	-0.98

Crop Condition Percents

Crop	January 2				
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	3	13	42	39	3

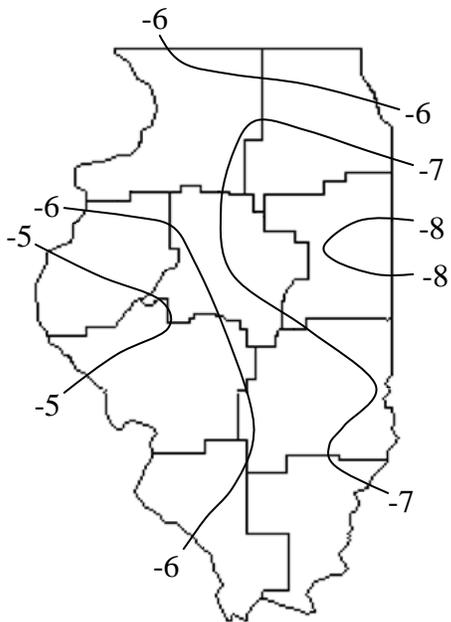


Average Temperature (°F)
December 1 - 31

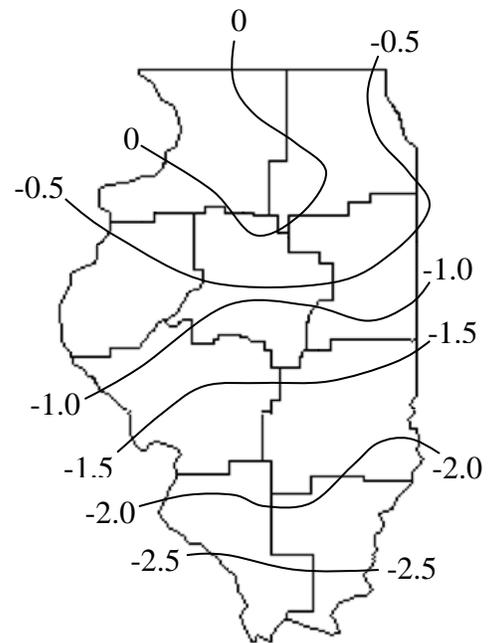


Total Precipitation (in.)
December 1 - 31

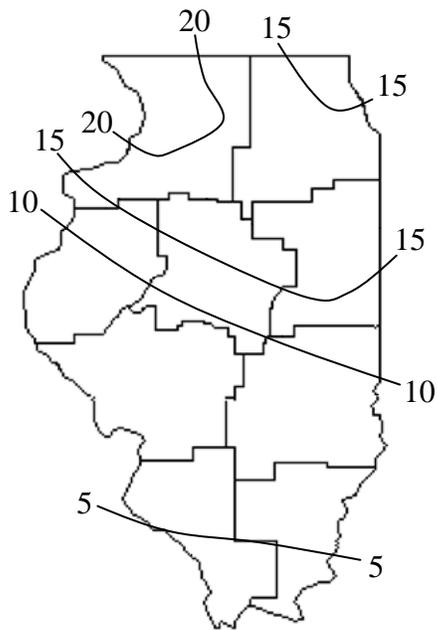
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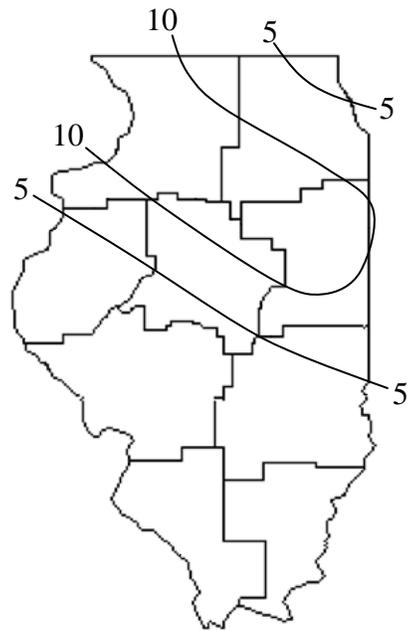
Temperature (°F) Departure
December 1 - 31



Precipitation (in.) Departure
December 1 - 31



Snowfall (in.) Total
December 1 - 31



Snowfall (in.) Departure
December 1 - 31

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