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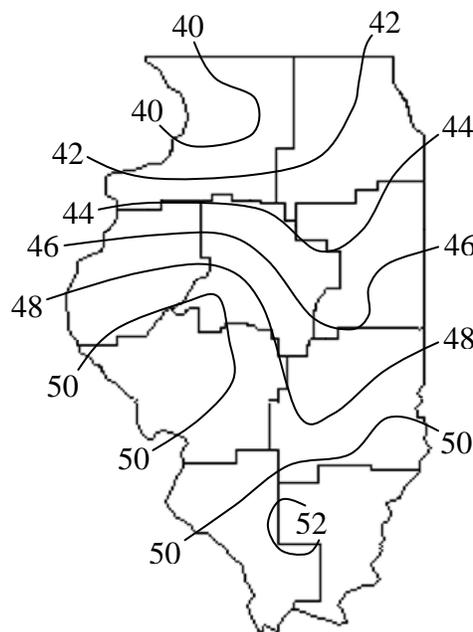
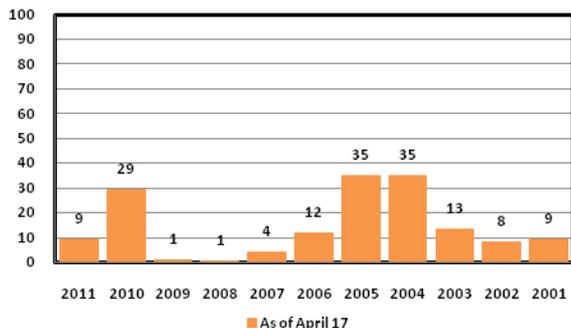
Temperatures and precipitation were close to normal over much of the state last week. State-wide temperatures averaged 52.7 degrees, 0.6 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged 1.22 inches, only 0.17 inches above normal. Cool temperatures and wet conditions are keeping many producers from planting corn across much of the state. Producers continue to work ground and apply fertilizer when possible. Corn planted increased 5 points from last week to 9 percent complete, 20 points lower than the same time last year but even with the 5- year average. Oats planted is now at 63 percent, 10 points above the 5-year average of 53 percent. Topsoil moisture is 1 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus. Across the state, there were 2.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Winter wheat conditions stand at 2 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Alfalfa conditions are 1 percent very poor, 2 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 70 percent good, and 7 percent excellent. Red clover conditions are 21 percent fair, 70 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Pasture conditions are rated at 4 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 59 percent good, and 12 percent excellent.

Crop Progress Percents

	This Week	Last Week	2010	5-Year Average
April 17				
CORN:				
Planted	9	4	29	9
OATS:				
Planted	63	50	87	53

1/ Less than one percent.

Corn - Percent Planted
Illinois



Bare Soil 4-inch Temp (°F)
April 17 10 a.m.

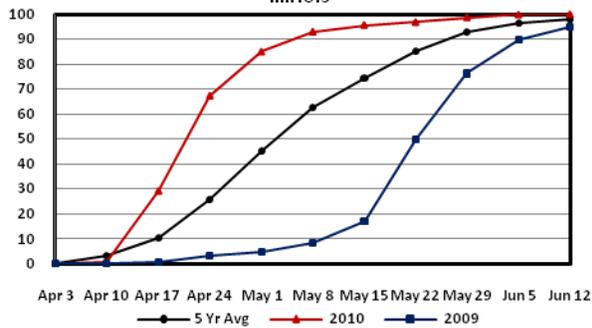
Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
April 17					
Winter Wheat	2	7	26	56	9
Alfalfa	1	2	20	70	7
Red Clover	-	-	21	70	9
Pasture	-	4	25	59	12

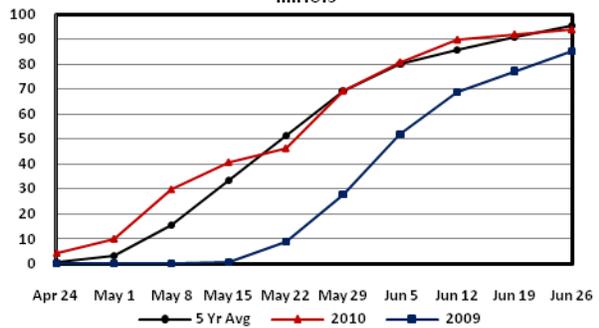
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork April 11 - 17	Topsoil Moisture Percents April 17			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	3.1	-	-	84	16
Northeast	3.7	-	-	99	1
West	4.4	-	3	95	2
Central	2.8	-	-	77	23
East	3.5	-	2	86	12
W Southwest	2.6	-	1	51	48
E Southeast	1.4	-	-	48	52
Southwest	3.0	-	-	66	34
Southeast	1.0	-	-	30	70
State	2.9	-	1	72	27

**Corn - Percent Planted
Illinois**



**Soybeans - Percent Planted
Illinois**

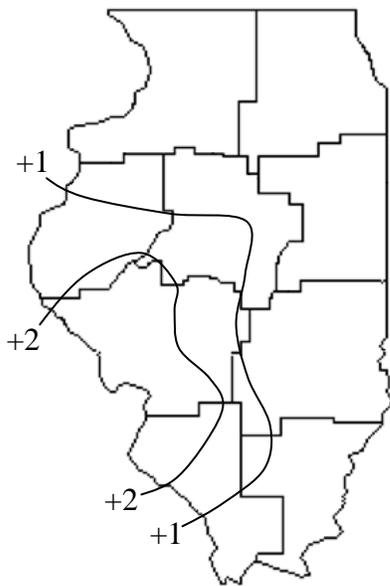


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

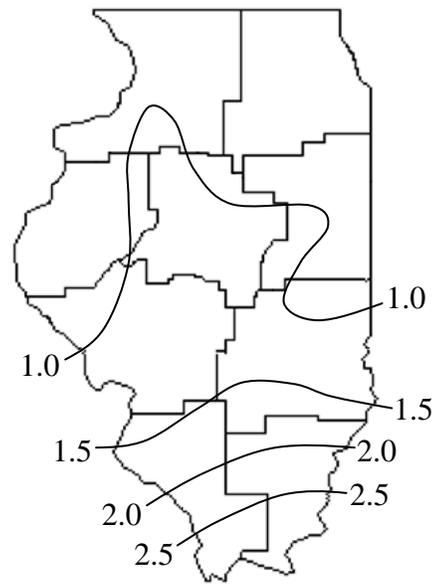
District	Corn Planted
	April 17
Northwest	1
Northeast	2
West	21
Central	5
East	3
W Southwest	24
E Southeast	4
Southwest	12
Southeast	5
State	9

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature (°F)		Precipitation (in.)	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure
April 11 - 17				
Northwest	48.0	-0.6	0.94	0.00
Northeast	47.7	-0.5	0.64	-0.37
West	53.5	1.5	0.76	-0.30
Central	51.7	0.4	1.17	0.10
East	50.8	0.1	1.03	0.00
W Southwest	55.7	2.1	1.23	0.05
E Southeast	54.7	0.8	1.29	0.23
Southwest	57.1	1.3	1.90	0.87
Southeast	56.6	0.7	2.35	1.33
State	52.7	0.6	1.22	0.17



Temperature (°F) Departure
April 11 - 17



Precipitation (in.) Total
April 11 - 17

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