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Agricultural Summary

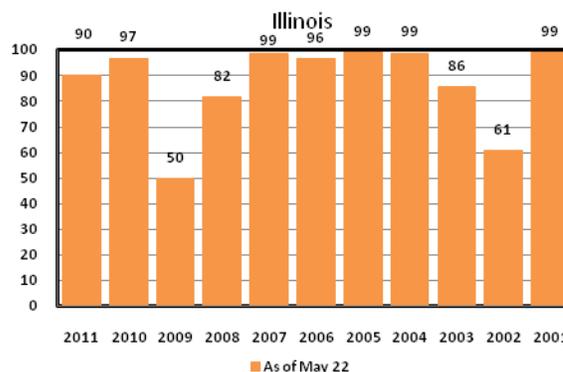
Temperatures and rainfall were both below normal last week. The average statewide temperature of 60.6 degrees was 4.5 degrees below the average. Precipitation amounted to 0.28 inches, 0.61 below average. With the lull in the rainfall, many producers were able to make significant progress planting both corn and soybeans. Many locations also reported that corn planting is nearly complete. Other areas are still planting around wet patches in the field or replanting acres that had been previously flooded. The number of days suitable for fieldwork averaged 5 days statewide. Topsoil moisture continued to decrease and was assessed at 29 percent surplus, 69 percent adequate and 2 percent short. Corn progressed rapidly to 90 percent planted and 56 percent emerged, up from the previous week of 69 percent and 24 percent, respectively. The five-year average for this time period is 85 percent planted and 66 percent emerged. Soybeans came in at 47 percent planted with emergence at 12 percent. The five-year averages are 43 percent and 17 percent, respectively. Winter wheat progress is very similar to last year with 78 percent of the crop headed and 26 percent filled. Winter wheat conditions stood at 3 percent very poor, 11 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 45 percent good and 8 percent excellent.

Crop Progress Percents

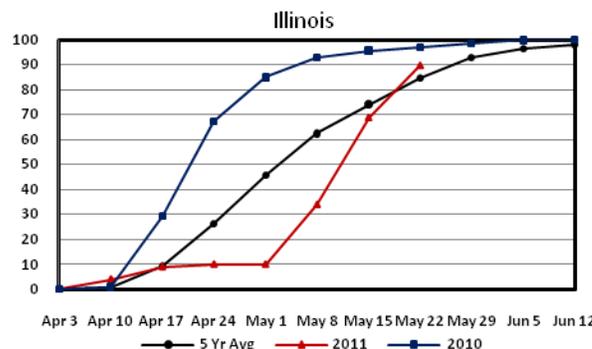
	This Week	Last Week	2010	5-Year Average
May 22				
CORN:				
Planted	90	69	97	85
Emerged	56	24	86	66
Height (inches)	3	2	6	4
SOYBEANS:				
Planted	47	16	46	43
Emerged	12	1	25	17
SORGHUM:				
Planted	6	1	16	19
WHEAT:				
Headed	78	60	78	79
Filled	26	7	25	30
Turning yellow	1	1/	1	3
OATS:				
Headed	6	3	23	13
ALFALFA:				
First cut	16	4	24	28
RED CLOVER:				
Cut	13	1/	12	21

1/ Less than 1 percent.

Corn - Percent Planted



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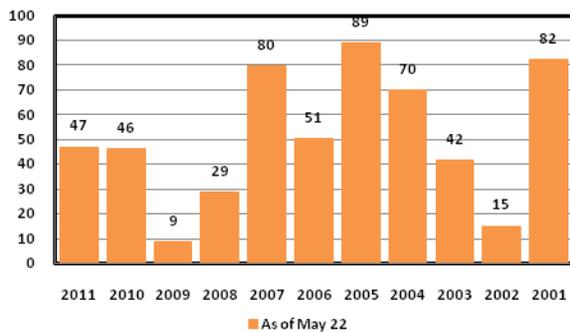
Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
May 22					
Corn	3	7	31	48	11
Winter Wheat	3	11	33	45	8
Oats	2	4	33	55	6
Alfalfa	1	3	22	64	10
Red Clover	-	3	27	61	9
Pasture	1	3	15	62	19

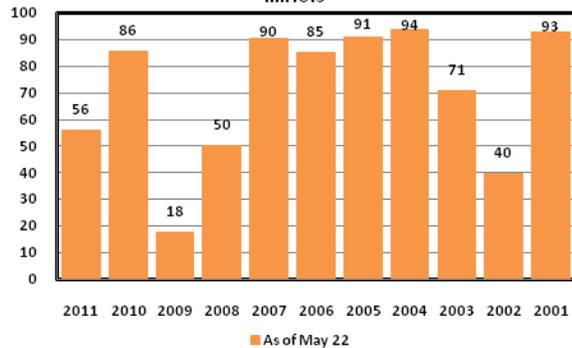
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Percents			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
May 16 - 22		May 22			
Northwest	5.5	-	4	74	22
Northeast	5.5	-	1	86	13
West	4.9	-	8	80	12
Central	4.7	-	-	83	17
East	4.2	-	-	65	35
W Southwest	4.4	-	-	61	39
E Southeast	6.4	-	3	73	24
Southwest	4.8	-	1	36	63
Southeast	5.9	-	-	25	75
State	5.0	-	2	69	29

Soybeans - Percent Planted
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Corn - Percent Emerged
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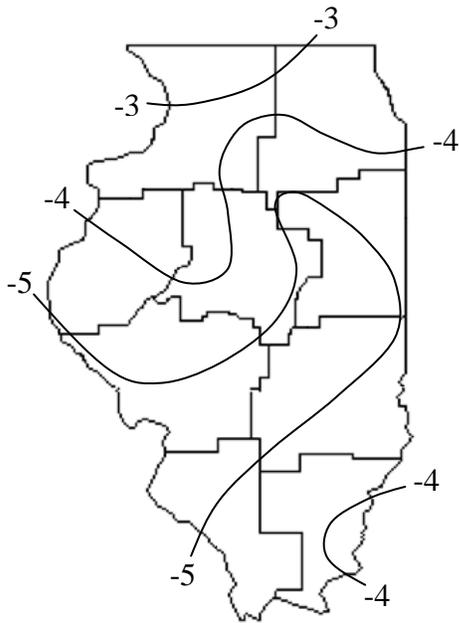


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

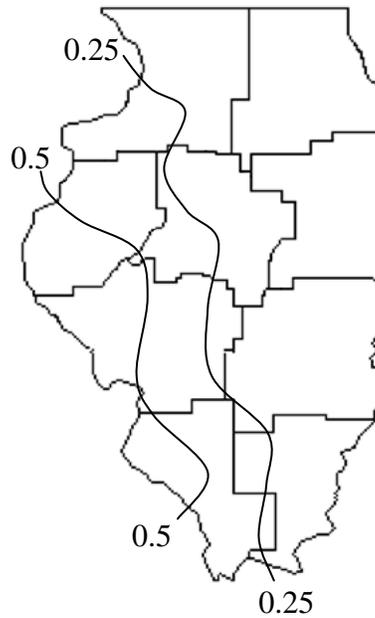
District	Corn Planted	Corn Emerged	Soybeans Planted	Soybeans Emerged
May 22				
Northwest	96	66	76	21
Northeast	95	57	53	6
West	98	80	80	35
Central	98	71	63	11
East	87	38	27	2
W Southwest	84	64	48	22
E Southeast	86	35	36	4
Southwest	54	36	8	1
Southeast	58	16	3	1
State	90	56	47	12

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure	Since May 1	Departure
	May 16 - 22					
Northwest	59.5	-3.6	0.26	-0.67	248	-9
Northeast	58.2	-3.8	0.16	-0.74	228	-14
West	61.0	-4.4	0.55	-0.39	279	-9
Central	60.3	-4.6	0.20	-0.66	274	-11
East	59.5	-5.0	0.16	-0.72	259	-20
W Southwest	61.3	-5.0	0.39	-0.43	288	-19
E Southeast	61.1	-5.2	0.13	-0.72	284	-25
Southwest	62.1	-4.9	0.48	-0.43	305	-22
Southeast	63.2	-4.2	0.24	-0.75	311	-20
State	60.6	-4.5	0.28	-0.61	274	-17



Temperature (°F) Departure
May 16 - 22



Precipitation (in.) Total
May 16 - 22

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