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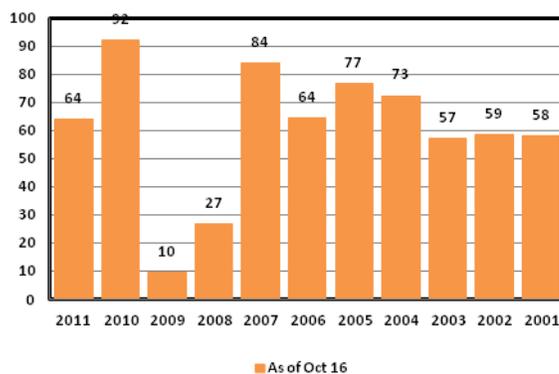
Agricultural Summary

Temperatures decreased 3.1 degrees from the previous week to an average of 60.6 degrees, but still remained nearly 5 degrees above normal for the time period. Precipitation averaged 0.68 inches across the state with a high of 0.9 inches being reported in the East Southeast district and a low of 0.4 inches in the West Southwest district. Normally, rainfall equals 0.51 inches for the time period. An average of 5.6 days suitable for field work was reported for the week. Topsoil moisture ended the week at 15 percent very short, 36 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Harvesting continued to progress at a rapid pace. Corn is now at 64 percent harvested, up 15 points from the previous week and 9 above the five-year average. Soybeans are at 73 percent harvested, up 23 points from the previous week and 9 points above the five-year average. In addition to corn and soybean harvesting, fall tillage operations are proceeding, producers are beginning to apply fall fertilizers and lime, and wheat planting is starting to pick up. Winter wheat seeded increased to 66 percent complete, 11 points above the five year average for the time period. Twenty percent of the winter wheat crop is reported emerged compared to 6 percent the previous week and 18 percent for the five-year average.

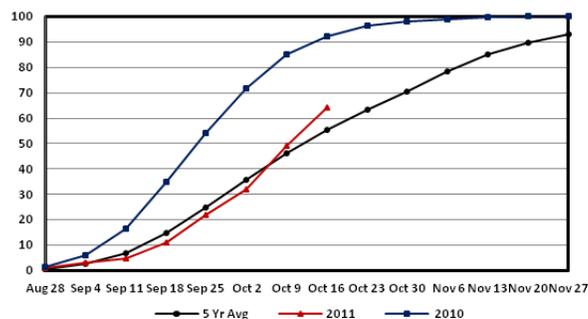
Crop Progress Percents

	This Week	Last Week	2010	5-Year Average
October 16				
CORN:				
Harvested	64	49	92	55
SOYBEANS:				
Shedding leaves	98	95	99	97
Harvested	73	50	88	64
SORGHUM:				
Mature	99	94	92	90
Harvested	63	44	74	52
WINTER WHEAT:				
Seeded	66	33	72	55
Emerged	20	6	25	18

Corn - Percent Harvested Illinois



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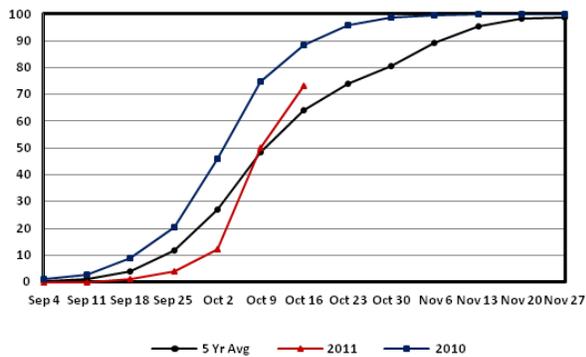
Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
October 16					
Pasture	14	28	37	19	2

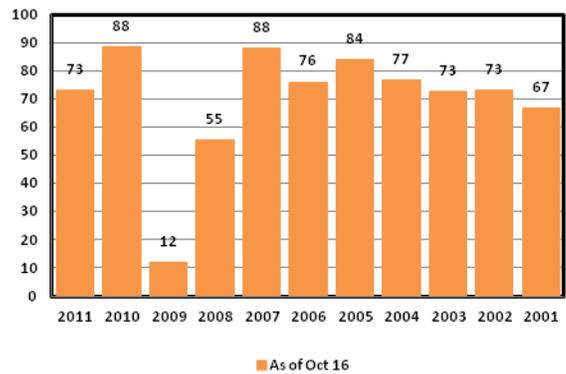
Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Topsoil Moisture Percents

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Percents			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Oct. 10 - 16		October 16			
Northwest	5.1	-	8	91	1
Northeast	5.7	-	23	77	-
West	5.3	40	45	13	2
Central	4.9	12	35	48	5
East	5.6	7	39	54	-
W Southwest	6.5	35	58	7	-
E Southeast	5.3	4	45	49	2
Southwest	6.0	16	40	44	-
Southeast	6.5	18	24	56	2
State	5.6	15	36	48	1

Soybeans - Percent Harvested
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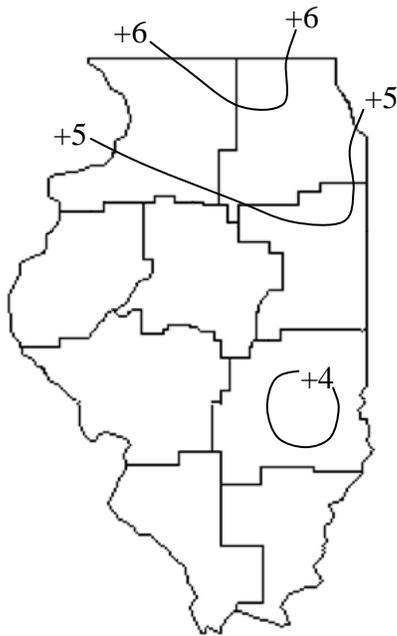


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

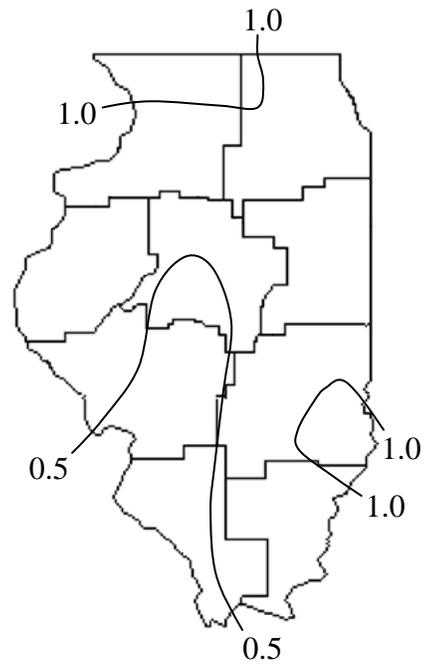
District	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Shedding Leaves	Soybeans Harvested
October 16			
Northwest	35	95	65
Northeast	38	100	76
West	79	98	68
Central	80	100	78
East	54	100	78
W Southwest	87	97	74
E Southeast	75	99	74
Southwest	85	91	63
Southeast	74	97	63
State	64	98	73

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature (°F)		Precipitation (in.)	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure
October 10 - 16				
Northwest	58.1	5.3	0.84	0.34
Northeast	58.6	5.4	0.77	0.28
West	60.8	4.9	0.64	0.13
Central	59.6	4.2	0.68	0.18
East	59.3	4.4	0.58	0.09
W Southwest	61.9	4.7	0.40	-0.03
E Southeast	61.5	4.1	0.90	0.43
Southwest	63.2	4.7	0.46	-0.20
Southeast	63.2	4.4	0.77	0.20
State	60.6	4.7	0.68	0.17



Temperature (°F) Departure
October 10 - 16



Precipitation (in.) Total
October 10 - 16

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