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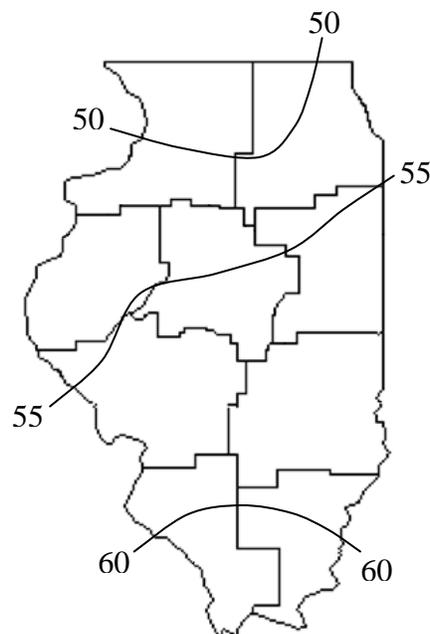
## Agricultural Summary

Warm and dry conditions throughout most of the state continued last week with an average statewide temperature of 56.4 degrees, 8.8 degrees above normal. Statewide precipitation averaged 0.44 inches, 0.26 below normal. Despite these good conditions for planting, many farmers were hesitant to plant too much too early. In some cases, fields were too dry, and farmers were waiting on rain. Corn planting progress reached 17 percent statewide, compared to 3 percent last year. Soybeans planted progress was at 1 percent while oats planted reached 91 percent. Topsoil moisture was rated 6 percent very short, 40 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 7 percent very short, 40 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Winter wheat conditions were rated 1 percent very poor, 1 percent poor, 14 percent fair, 57 percent good, and 27 percent excellent.

### Crop Progress Percents

	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Year Average
April 8				
<b>CORN:</b>				
Planted	17	5	3	1
Emerged	2	1/	1/	1/
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>				
Planted	1	1/	1/	1/
<b>OATS:</b>				
Planted	91	70	43	30
<b>WHEAT:</b>				
Headed	8	1/	1/	1/

1/ Data not available or less than one percent.



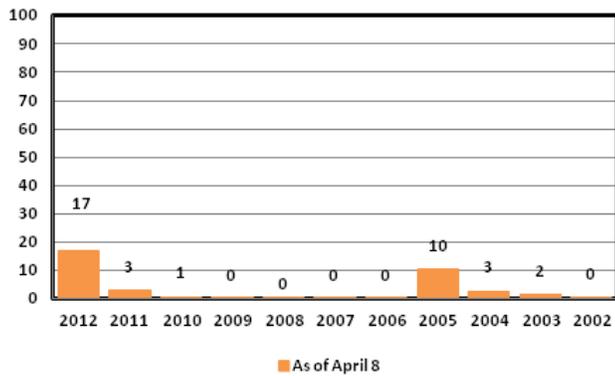
Bare Soil 4-inch Temp (°F)  
April 8 10 a.m.

**Crop Condition Percents**

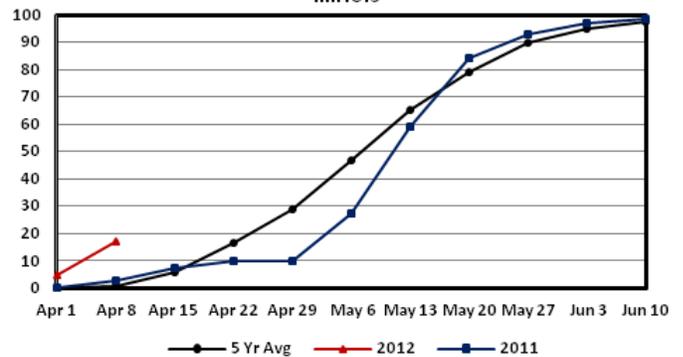
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
April 8					
Winter Wheat	1	1	14	57	27
Alfalfa	1	2	18	63	16
Pasture	1	2	20	63	14

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil				Subsoil			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
April 2 - 8		April 8							
Northwest	6.7	9	35	56	-	4	31	63	2
Northeast	7.0	1	36	63	-	-	27	73	-
West	6.1	12	60	28	-	17	61	22	-
Central	6.3	10	45	40	5	10	39	47	4
East	6.8	3	64	33	-	4	49	47	-
W Southwest	5.2	3	35	57	5	7	53	38	2
E Southeast	5.4	8	26	64	2	8	23	69	-
Southwest	4.2	2	10	81	7	2	21	69	7
Southeast	5.2	-	3	70	27	-	7	93	-
State	6.0	6	40	51	3	7	40	52	1

**Corn - Percent Planted  
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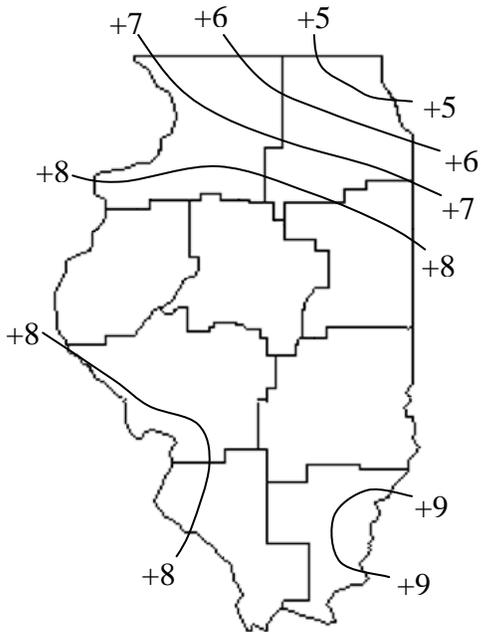
**Crop Progress Percents by Districts**

District	Corn Planted	Corn Emerged
	April 8	
Northwest	4	1/
Northeast	1	1/
West	18	2
Central	7	1/
East	10	1/
W Southwest	40	5
E Southeast	30	3
Southwest	29	6
Southeast	23	6
State	17	2

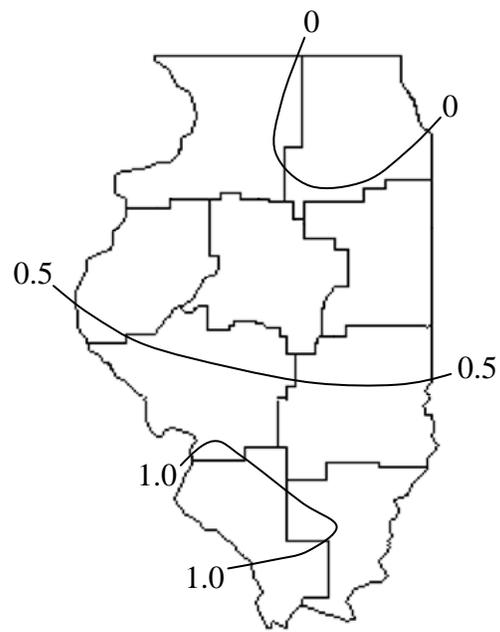
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**Weather Information Table**

District	Temperature (°F)		Precipitation (in.)	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure
April 2 - 8				
Northwest	52.4	8.3	0.02	-0.62
Northeast	51.0	7.3	0.01	-0.72
West	56.7	9.2	0.26	-0.34
Central	55.9	9.3	0.15	-0.53
East	55.5	9.4	0.10	-0.60
W Southwest	58.0	8.8	0.75	0.11
E Southeast	58.5	9.2	0.66	-0.12
Southwest	60.1	8.7	1.25	0.49
Southeast	61.1	9.5	0.95	0.08
State	56.4	8.8	0.44	-0.26



Temperature (°F) Departure  
April 2 - 8



Precipitation (in.) Total  
April 2 - 8

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