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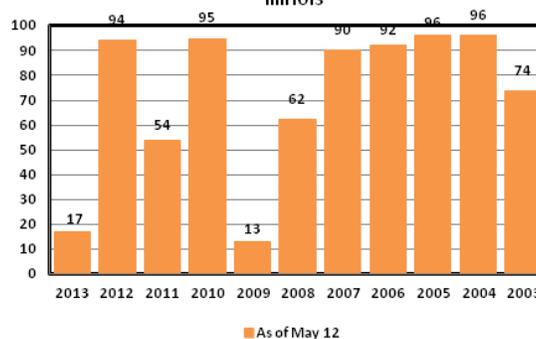
Farmers in Northern and Eastern Illinois last week were able to plant corn where soils were dry enough. Little progress was made across the rest of the state as farmers were sidelined waiting for saturated soils to dry. Rains fell again late in the week stalling any drying that had occurred. The heaviest rainfall totals fell over the south central portions of the state where over an inch was received. In other areas of the state totals were generally less than an inch. Temperatures averaged 59.9 degrees, 1.0 degree below normal. There were a reported 1.7 days suitable for field work last week with the Northeast area having the highest reported number of days at 3.7. Topsoil moisture levels across the state were rated as 47 percent adequate, and 53 percent surplus. The driest soils were in Northern and Eastern Illinois. Subsoil moisture was rated as 3 percent short, 62 percent adequate and 35 percent surplus. Corn planting progressed to 17 percent complete across the state now compared to 94 percent last year and 64 percent for the five-year average. Concerns are growing regarding the wet soils and lateness for corn planting as well as diseases due to the wet weather in the wheat crop. Oat seeding continues to increase and is now at 78 percent, compared to 99 percent last year and 93 percent for the five-year average. Winter wheat conditions were rated as 1 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 23 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 15 percent excellent. Alfalfa conditions were rated as 1 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 17 percent fair, 66 percent good, 13 percent excellent. Red Clover conditions were rated as 1 percent poor, 9 percent fair, 78 percent good, 12 percent excellent. Pasture conditions were rated as 2 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 18 percent fair, 54 percent good, 23 percent excellent.

Crop Progress Percents

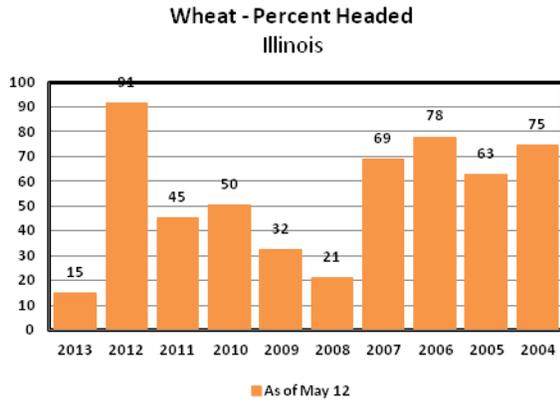
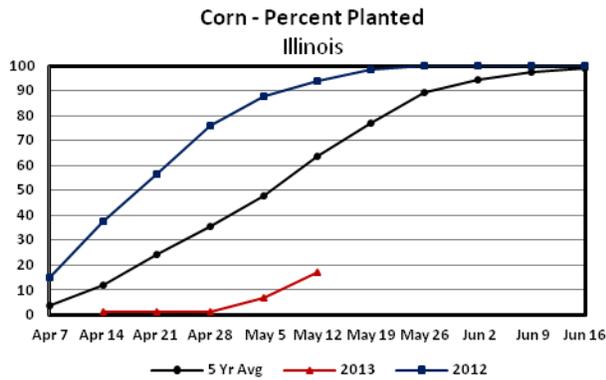
	This Week	Last Week	2012	5-Year Average
May 12				
CORN:				
Planted	17	7	94	64
Emerged	2	1/	74	36
OATS:				
Planted	78	73	99	93
WINTER WHEAT:				
Headed	15	1/	91	48
ALFALFA HAY:				
First cutting	1	1/	39	11
RED CLOVER:				
Cut	1	1/	44	10

1/ Data not available or less than one percent.

Corn - Percent Planted
Illinois



District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil				Subsoil				
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	May 6-12					May 12				
Northwest	3.4	-	1	67	32	2	8	75	15	
Northeast	3.7	-	-	72	28	-	14	84	2	
West	0.2	-	-	26	74	-	1	44	55	
Central	2.0	-	-	66	34	-	1	76	23	
East	3.1	-	1	82	17	-	2	88	10	
W Southwest	0.2	-	-	29	71	-	-	48	52	
E Southeast	0.0	-	-	13	87	-	-	34	66	
Southwest	0.9	-	-	32	68	-	-	65	35	
Southeast	2.0	-	-	25	75	-	-	44	59	
State	1.7	-	-	47	53	-	3	62	35	



Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
			May 12		
Winter Wheat	1	3	23	58	15
Alfalfa	1	3	17	66	13
Red Clover	-	1	9	78	12
Pasture	2	3	18	54	23

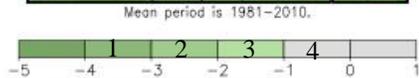
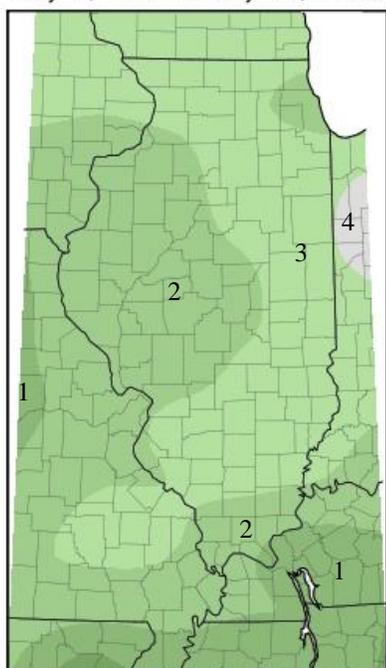
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There are only a few weeks left to complete and return the 2012 Census of Agriculture. Because time is running out, NASS may contact you or farmers in your area by phone or in person to collect information for the Census. **Help ensure you and your industry have the most complete set of agricultural statistics available for your country and county.** For more information or for help filling out your census form, visit www.agcensus.usda.gov or call (888) 424-7828.

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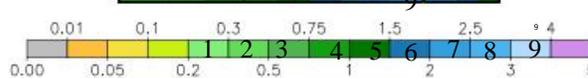
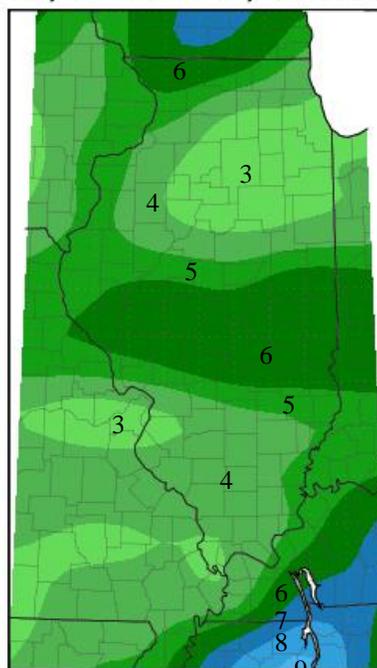
District	Temperature (°F)		Precipitation (in.)	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure
May 6-12				
Northwest	57.0	-1.6	0.74	-0.26
Northeast	56.4	-1.4	0.49	-0.44
West	59.3	-1.5	0.86	-0.23
Central	59.1	-1.3	0.64	-0.43
East	59.4	-0.8	0.67	-0.31
W Southwest	60.5	-1.6	1.09	-0.04
E Southeast	61.2	-1.0	1.14	0.08
Southwest	63.6	0.3	0.64	-0.31
Southeast	64.0	0.4	0.73	-0.24
State	59.9	-1.0	0.79	-0.23

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Me
May 6, 2013 to May 12, 2013



Midwestern Regional Climate Center
MRCC Applied Climate System
Generated at: 5/13/2013 10:40:11 AM CDT

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 6, 2013 to May 13, 2013



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