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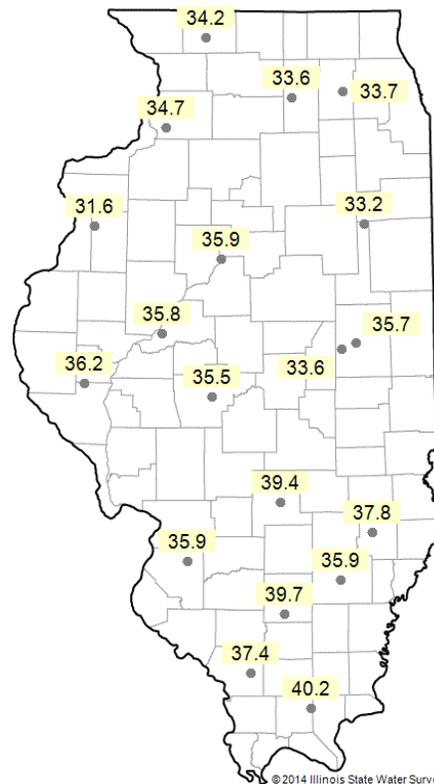
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Agricultural Summary

Early spring temperatures were cool throughout the state for the month of March. Many farmers were moving machinery out of storage and getting it ready for the season. Temperatures averaged 33.3 degrees, 7.6 degrees below normal. Statewide precipitation averaged 1.49 inches, 1.61 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture was rated at 2 percent very short, 15 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated at 7 percent very short, 29 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Some winter wheat has begun to come out of dormancy. Winter wheat conditions were rated at 2 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 44 percent fair, 39 percent good, and 8 percent excellent.

March 30, 2014

10 AM 4-Inch Soil Temperature Under Bare Soil (°F)



Crop Progress Percents

	This Week	Last Week	2013	5-Year Average
March 30				
OATS:				
Planted	16	N/A	2	21

District	Topsoil				Subsoil			
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
March 30								
Northwest	-	8	87	6	6	19	73	2
Northeast	-	13	85	2	-	18	78	4
West	13	21	61	5	34	41	25	-
Central	4	14	77	5	9	29	59	4
East	-	11	81	7	5	38	56	1
W Southwest	6	40	49	5	10	64	26	0
E Southeast	-	14	82	4	-	20	78	2
Southwest	-	4	86	10	-	16	77	7
Southeast	-	-	93	7	-	-	93	7
State	2	15	78	5	7	29	62	2

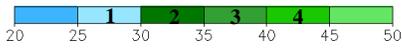
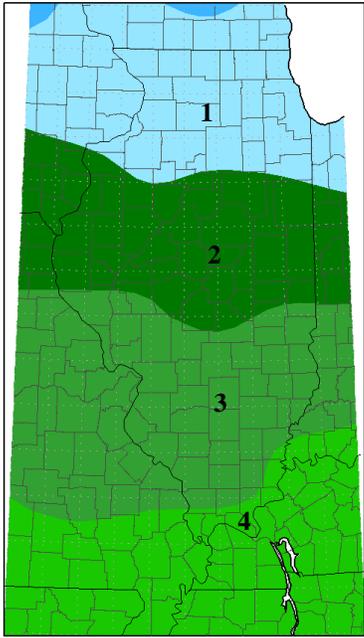
Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure
March 1 - 30				
Northwest	28.2	-8.5	1.04	-1.41
Northeast	28.1	-8.8	1.40	-1.03
West	32.6	-7.8	1.32	-1.47
Central	31.8	-8.0	1.58	-1.31
East	31.8	-7.7	1.54	-1.40
W Southwest	35.3	-7.0	1.33	-1.90
E Southeast	36.0	-6.9	1.50	-1.99
Southwest	38.7	-6.6	1.74	-2.16
Southeast	39.4	-6.3	2.33	-1.85
State	33.3	-7.6	1.49	-1.61

Crop Condition Percents

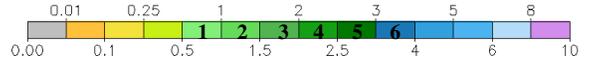
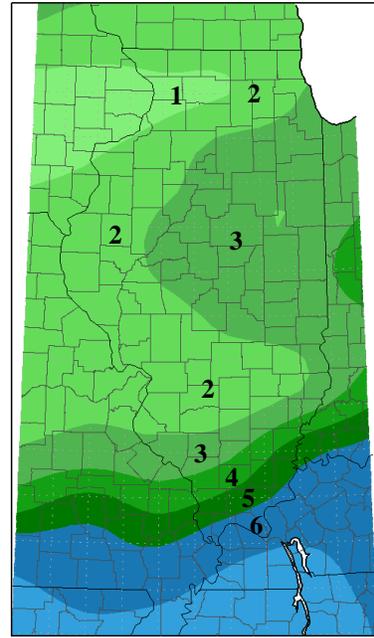
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
March 30					
Winter Wheat	2	7	44	39	8

Average Temperature (°F)
March 1, 2014 to March 30, 2014



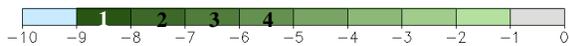
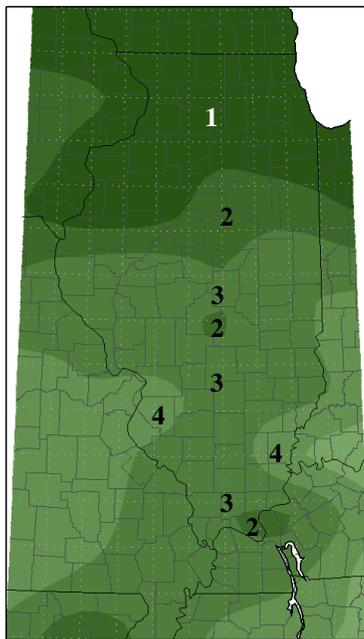
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Accumulated Precipitation (in)
March 1, 2014 to March 30, 2014



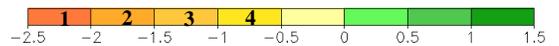
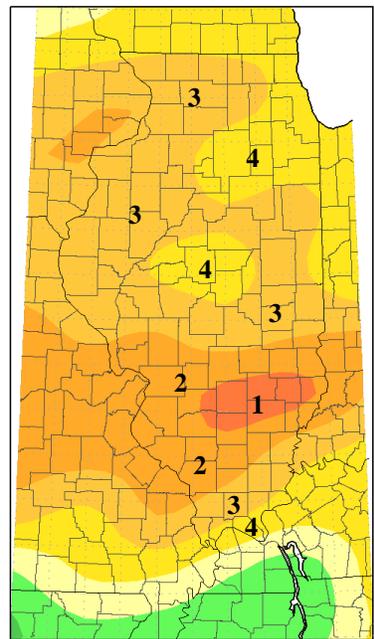
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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
March 1, 2014 to March 30, 2014



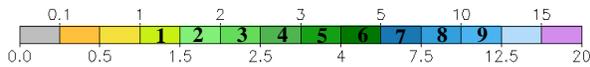
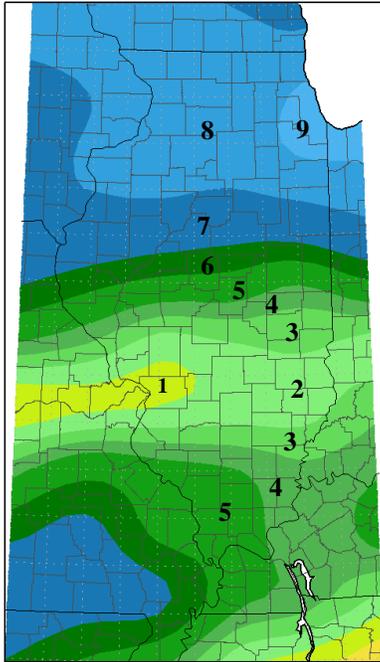
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Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from Mean
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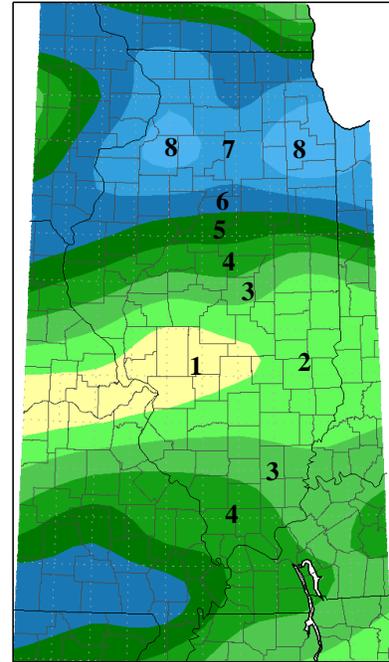
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Accumulated Snowfall (in)
March 1, 2014 to March 30, 2014



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Accumulated Snowfall (in): Departure from Mean
March 1, 2014 to March 30, 2014



Mean period is 1981-2010.



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