



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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Warm temperatures allowed soybean planting to reach 64 percent complete, 28 percentage points above the previous week. Other activities included spraying chemicals and cutting hay. There were scattered storms throughout the state including some hail in the northwest, but overall conditions were warm and humid. Statewide precipitation averaged 0.19 inches, 0.74 inches below normal. Temperatures averaged 67.1 degrees, 1.7 degrees above normal. There were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Corn planting increased to 95 percent complete, ahead of the 5-year average of 88 percent. Oat and sorghum planting progressed to 90 and 35 percent complete respectively. Winter wheat headed reached 81 percent, behind the 5-year average of 85 percent. Topsoil moisture was rated at 1 percent very short, 12 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated at 4 percent very short, 20 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Winter wheat condition was rated at 2 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 47 percent good, and 18 percent excellent. Pasture condition was rated at 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 34 percent fair, 42 percent good, and 19 percent excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending May 25, 2014

District and State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Northwest	5.1	-	10	85	5	5	23	71	1
Northeast	5.2	-	22	76	2	3	40	55	2
West	6.1	4	37	57	2	23	45	32	-
Central	5.8	2	16	77	5	5	26	66	3
East	3.5	-	8	78	14	1	17	79	3
West Southwest	4.7	3	18	69	10	3	23	72	2
East Southeast	4.5	-	1	76	23	-	3	94	3
Southwest	5.7	-	2	73	25	-	7	81	12
Southeast	4.9	-	-	75	25	-	-	76	24
Illinois	5.0	1	12	76	11	4	20	72	4

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	This Week	Last Week	2013	5-Year Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn planted	95	84	87	88
Corn emerged	81	60	61	67
Soybeans planted	64	36	37	50
Soybeans emerged	32	11	10	26
Sorghum planted	35	13	18	24
Winter wheat headed	81	50	77	85
Oats planted	90	86	95	98
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting	32	10	19	38
Other hay cut ¹	27	7	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

¹Data not collected prior to 2014.

Crop Condition – Illinois: Week Ending May 25, 2014

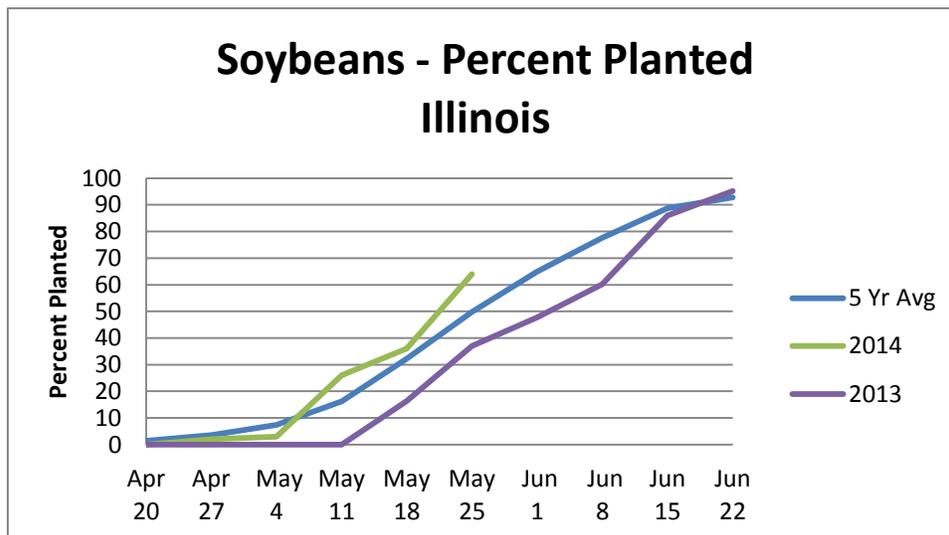
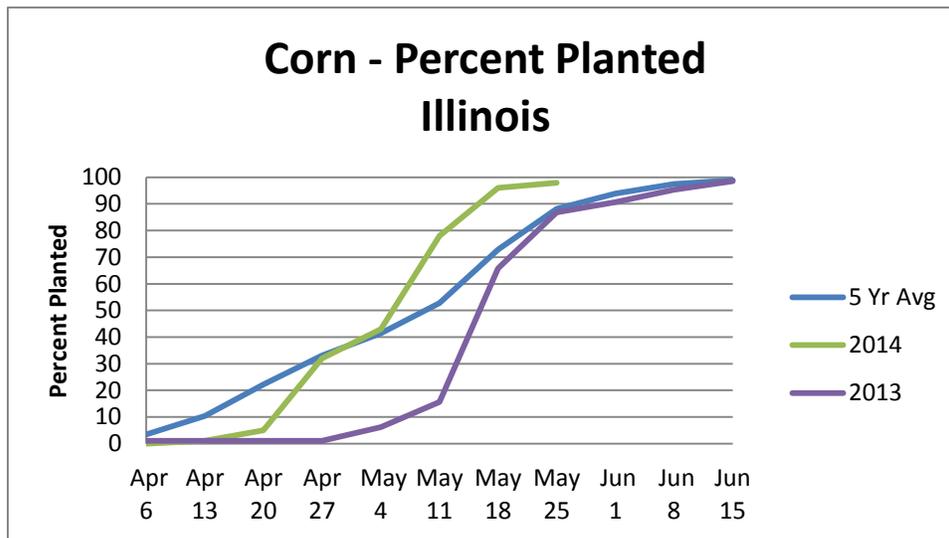
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	1	3	29	53	14
Winter Wheat	2	6	27	47	18
Oats	-	5	32	55	8
Alfalfa hay	-	2	20	59	19
Other hay	1	3	21	58	17
Pasture	1	4	34	42	19

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress by District: Week Ending May 25, 2014

Item	NW	NE	W	C	E	WSW	ESE	SW	SE
	(percent)								
Corn planted	96	98	100	97	97	97	93	90	85
Corn emerged	71	77	88	92	89	89	78	74	68
Soybeans planted	75	67	84	83	61	79	61	28	36
Soybeans emerged	23	25	41	54	36	50	20	15	16

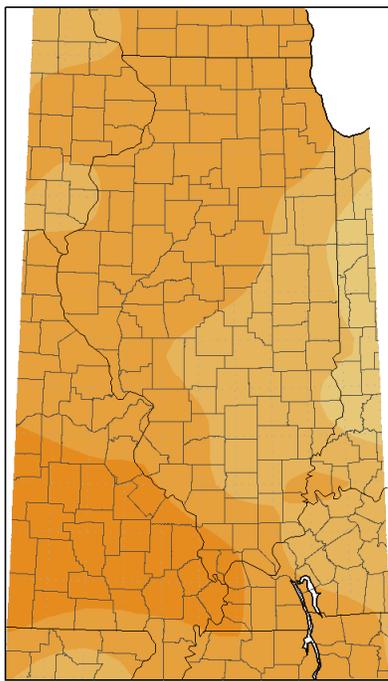
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Weather Information: Week Ending May 25, 2014

District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	Since May 1	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)		
Northwest	65.3	2.3	0.41	-0.45	296	-14
Northeast	64.0	1.7	0.32	-0.57	281	-12
West	67.4	2.2	0.05	-0.96	335	-13
Central	67.0	2.1	0.06	-0.90	344	1
East	65.7	0.8	0.20	-0.78	328	-11
West Southwest	68.4	1.9	0.08	-0.82	373	-
East Southeast	67.7	0.8	0.13	-0.72	373	-4
Southwest	70.0	2.1	0.22	-0.71	400	1
Southeast	69.8	1.7	0.18	-0.81	406	2
Illinois	67.1	1.7	0.19	-0.74	346	-6

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
May 19, 2014 to May 25, 2014

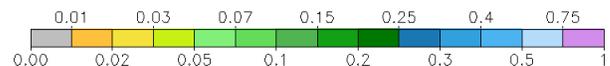
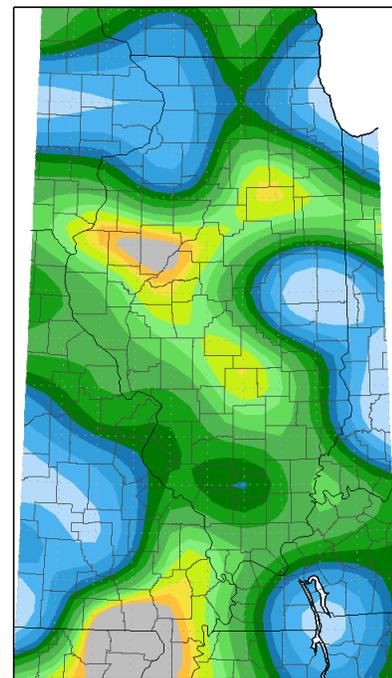


Mean period is 1981-2010.



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Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 19, 2014 to May 25, 2014



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