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Indiana Crop Weather

April 27, 2015

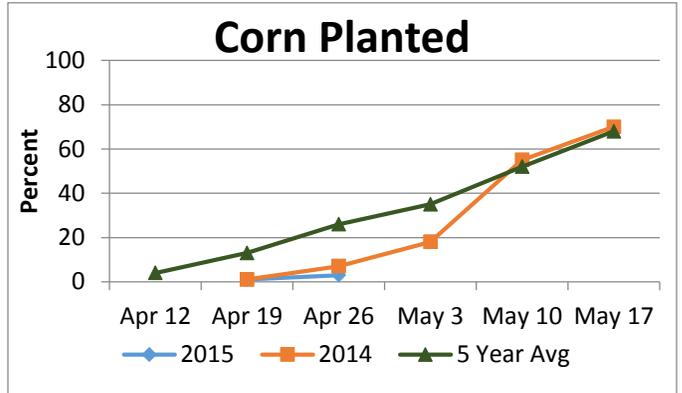
Soaked Fields Slow Progress

A cold and rainy week hindered fieldwork and slowed planting progress during the week ending April 26, according to the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Region. Cold weather was present throughout the state slowing **wheat** and hay growth, and damage to fruit crops is unknown. Increased rainfall contributed to ponding in many fields that has prevented some farmers from planting and fertilizing.

Regionally, winter **wheat** jointing was 18% complete in the North, 27% in Central, and 46% in the South. The **wheat** crop is beginning to make some progress throughout the state, but remains to be far behind last year. The stands that are in poor condition have been burned off, tilled under, or kept for straw. Topdressing has been completed in most regions.

By region, **corn** was 4% planted in the North, 1% in Central, and 1% in the South. Few farmers were able to get some **corn** fields planted due to the cold and rainy conditions. Many fields remain to be too saturated to get planters out and there is some concern that the soil temperatures are not suitable for seed germination.

Most of the fieldwork conducted this week was focused on working the ground and spreading fertilizer to be ready for a break in the weather to continue planting crops. Pastures have continued to green up, although some farmers are providing supplemental feed to livestock. Mint planting was finishing up. The wet spring has hindered sufficient burn downs, which has allowed weeds to emerge and take over fields in some areas. Other activities for the week included tilling, spreading fertilizer, fixing tiling, clearing fencerows, and preparing planting equipment.



Crop Progress: Week Ending 04/26/15

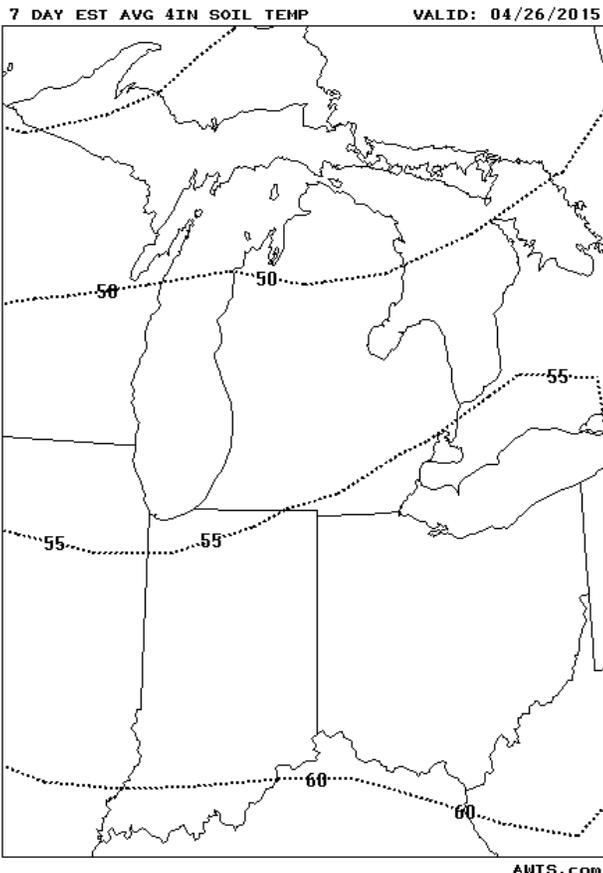
Crop/Activity	Percent Completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Days Suitable for Fieldwork.....	2.0	2.6	NA	NA
Corn Planted.....	3	1	7	26
Winter Wheat Jointing.....	32	15	40	52
Winter Wheat Headed.....	2	1	1	6

Soil Moisture: Week Ending 04/26/15

Item	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture.....	0	2	53	45
Subsoil moisture.....	0	3	60	37

Crop Condition: Week Ending 04/26/15

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter Wheat.....	1	7	32	50	10
Range and Pasture.....	1	2	22	57	18



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Weather Summary For Indiana [Great Lakes Region NASS]
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For the Period: April 20, 2015
To: April 26, 2015

STATION	LAST WEEK WEATHER SUMMARY DATA							April 1, 2015 - April 26, 2015				
	HI	LO	AVG	DFN	TOTAL	DAYS	SOIL TEMP	TOTAL	DFN	DYS	TOTAL	DFN
NORTHWEST												
Chalmers_5W	61	28	45	-9	1.71	4		3.34	+0.29	14	80	+18
Francesville	68	27	44	-9	2.12	2		3.09	+0.07	10	77	+17
La_Porte_Ag	69	32	45	-7	0.51	2		2.71	-0.39	9	89	+42
Rensselaer_Ag	67	27	46	-7	1.74	4		2.38	-0.64	13	98	+38
Valparaiso_AP_I	72	27	46	-6	1.29	3		2.15	-0.98	11	101	+62
Wanatah	70	24	44	-7	1.59	3	52	2.43	-0.70	11	68	+29
NORTH CENTRAL												
Goshen_3SW	60	30	45	-8	0.74	4		2.70	-0.24	13	85	+24
Logansport	64	29	46	-7	1.68	5		3.27	+0.36	14	88	+35
Northern_In_NWS	61	29	44	-8	0.62	4		2.56	-0.32	15	83	+43
Peru_Grissom_AF	62	28	46	-6	2.87	4		5.10	+1.88	12	113	+71
Plymouth	67	27	45	-7	1.93	4		2.22	-0.99	10	77	+36
South_Bend_AP	70	28	46	-6	1.11	4		2.17	-0.97	14	110	+69
Wabash_Coop	64	29	45	-7	1.57	5		3.15	+0.13	13	103	+66
NORTHEAST												
Angola_Ag	64	24	44	-6	1.35	4		2.39	-0.51	12	37	+17
Bluffton_Main_S	65	30	46	-7	1.68	4		3.30	+0.57	13	75	+28
Decatur	65	27	46	-8	1.52	3		3.53	+0.33	12	82	+20
Fort_Wayne_AP	64	28	46	-7	1.77	4		3.28	+0.22	13	93	+45
Garrett	65	26	44	-9	1.20	2		2.16	-0.94	9	54	+6
Huntington_WTR	63	26	46	-7	1.76	3		3.27	+0.33	12	73	+24
Lagrange_2SW	67	27	44	-6	1.31	4		2.58	-0.32	13	57	+33
Woodburn_3N	64	27	45	-7	1.12	5		2.57	-0.32	13	57	+0
WEST CENTRAL												
Crawfordsville_	60	27	46	-7	2.08	4		5.18	+1.98	13	97	+40
Lafayette_8S	62	30	46	-7	1.51	4		4.07	+1.29	13	107	+49
Perrysville_4WN	62	28	47	-7	1.37	3	55	3.43	+0.53	11	126	+63
Spencer_Ag	65	29	50	-3	2.34	5		7.87	+4.05	13	160	+104
Terre_Haute_AFB	64	29	50	-6	1.28	4		4.57	+1.01	12	177	+74
W_Lafayette_6NW	64	30	46	-8	2.19	4	48	3.61	+0.56	13	111	+49
CENTRAL												
Carmel_3E	62	29	47	-7	1.88	5		5.18	+1.85	13	110	+47
Columbus_Ag	65	31	50	-6	1.72	5		5.50	+1.75	13	164	+68
Franklin_WWTP	66	30	51	-4	2.12	5		4.91	+1.53	12	162	+73
Greenfield	63	31	47	-8	1.94	5		5.50	+2.02	15	123	+49
Greensburg_Ag	62	33	49	-6	1.93	6		4.06	+0.37	14	177	+91
Indianapolis_AP	63	32	49	-7	1.95	5		4.00	+0.91	13	173	+83
Kokomo_3WSW	62	31	46	-6	2.67	5		4.43	+1.21	14	81	+39
Marion_2N	62	29	45	-8	1.75	4		3.81	+0.75	13	69	+25
Martinsville	64	27	48	-7	1.82	5		6.38	+2.74	13	127	+52
Rushville_Sew_P	65	30	48	-6	1.74	6		4.43	+0.85	14	136	+72
Shelbyville_Sew	67	33	48	-7	1.98	5		4.15	+0.77	11	144	+55
Tipton_5SW	63	31	47	-5	2.18	4		5.09	+1.98	14	98	+64
EAST CENTRAL												
Farmland_5NNW	64	26	47	-6	1.66	5	54	3.90	+0.90	13	108	+68
Hartford_City_4	63	31	47	-8	1.81	4		4.44	+1.55	11	106	+28
Muncie_AP	66	29	47	-6	2.42	5		4.14	+1.06	13	139	+84
New_Castle_3SW	63	27	46	-6	2.21	4		4.90	+1.53	12	109	+70
Richmond_Wtr_Wk	62	31	48	-6	0.83	3		4.93	+1.65	14	151	+86
SOUTHWEST												
Boonville_1S	70	36	55	-4	2.80	3		9.46	+5.77	11	260	+95
Elnora	65	32	53	-3	0.43	3		4.68	+1.06	12	227	+122
Evansville_AP	74	36	55	-4	2.29	3		6.82	+2.98	13	280	+128
Farmersburg_TV2	64	33	51	-5	0.46	2		4.08	+0.44	12	196	+92
Mt_Vernon	73	39	56	-2	2.23	3		6.78	+3.06	13	239	+95
Shoals_8S	66	29	51	-5	1.68	3		7.90	+4.08	11	190	+92
Stendal	66	38	53	-5	2.15	3		8.96	+4.95	13	198	+68
Vincennes_4E	65	34	51	-5	1.96	2		6.88	+3.24	11	185	+72
Washington_1W	67	34	53	-5	1.91	2		7.49	+3.90	11	234	+98
SOUTH CENTRAL												
Bloomington_AP	65	29	50	-6	1.48	4		4.80	+1.15	11	187	+90
Cannelton_Ag	69	34	53	-5	2.37	4		10.20	+6.35	15	214	+76
Corydon	69	33	52	-6	1.68	4		8.04	+3.95	15	209	+75
Leavenworth	69	31	52	-6	1.72	4		10.24	+6.15	15	215	+81
Medora_7S	66	32	51	-6	1.72	5		7.76	+3.81	15	180	+56
New_Salem_1SSE	67	32	51	-6	1.21	3		6.59	+2.64	12	185	+61
Oolitic_PU_Exp_	66	29	49	-6	1.94	3		4.82	+0.99	10	154	+64
Paoli	67	30	51	-6	1.64	2		8.29	+4.13	11	177	+76
Seymour	66	31	50	-5	1.70	5		6.25	+2.21	15	165	+76
Tell_City	71	35	53	-5	2.11	2		7.30	+3.45	12	228	+90
SOUTHEAST												
Madison_Sewage_	67	31	51	-7	1.57	5		7.39	+3.71	17	174	+58
Moore_Hill_6SS	66	31	50	-3	1.52	6		7.14	+3.64	15	157	+106
Vernon_1ENE	66	31	50	-7	1.17	6		6.06	+2.29	14	163	+44
Versailles_Wtr_	66	31	50	-3	1.62	5		6.38	+2.88	16	156	+105

Summary based on NWS data.
DFN = Departure From Normal.
Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.
Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit.

Normals period 1971-2000 Used in DFN calculations

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