



Iowa Crop Progress & Condition

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It was a dry week across much of Iowa for the week ending May 14, 2017, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service. Statewide there were **4.5 days suitable for fieldwork**, up more than a day from the previous week. This allowed farmers to plant one-third of the State's expected corn acreage and just under one-third of the State's expected soybean acreage. The dry and warm weather also aided crop emergence.

Topsoil moisture levels rated 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 86 percent adequate and 13 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** levels rated 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 84 percent adequate and 15 percent surplus. Similar to last week, the Southwest and South Central Districts reported the largest percentages of surplus subsoil moisture.

Eighty-five percent of the **corn** crop has been planted, 2 days behind last year, but 4 days ahead of the 5-year average for the first time this year. Farmers in the Central and North Central Districts have over 90 percent of their corn planted. Twenty-eight percent of corn has emerged, 6 days behind last year, and 3 days behind average. Forty percent of the **soybean** acreage has been planted, 1 day behind last year, but 2 days ahead of average. **Oats** emerged reached 85 percent, 3 days ahead of average. Oat condition rated 79 percent good to excellent.

Hay condition rated 84 percent good to excellent. **Pasture condition** rated 82 percent good to excellent with most livestock reported as being out in pastures. Livestock conditions were reported as good.

Crop Condition as of May 14, 2017

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Hay, all.....	0	1	15	67	17
Oats	0	1	20	62	17
Pasture and range.....	1	1	16	63	19

Corn Planted - Iowa
For the Second Week of May



Field Work and Crop Progress as of May 14, 2017

Item	Districts									State	Last Week	Last Year	5-yr Avg
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
Corn planted.....	89	92	76	84	93	80	79	63	87	85	52	87	75
Corn emerged	24	18	9	39	41	21	38	24	42	28	7	48	35
Oats planted	100	99	99	99	99	99	98	98	98	99	94	100	96
Oats emerged	94	90	82	91	92	85	75	85	85	85	61	93	80
Soybeans planted.....	42	46	45	33	55	36	32	25	35	40	9	41	32

Days Suitable & Soil Moisture Condition as of May 14, 2017

Item	Districts									State	Last Week	Last Year
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE			
Days suitable	6.0	4.4	4.7	3.8	4.6	4.2	4.3	3.1	4.2	4.5	3.4	2.2
Topsoil moisture	(percent)											
Very short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Short	2	4	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Adequate	94	91	93	88	73	89	76	77	87	86	82	82
Surplus	4	5	6	12	27	10	24	23	13	13	18	17
Subsoil moisture	(percent)											
Very short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Short	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	7	1	1	1
Adequate	89	89	87	83	86	83	79	71	81	84	80	83
Surplus	11	11	13	16	14	16	21	29	10	15	19	16

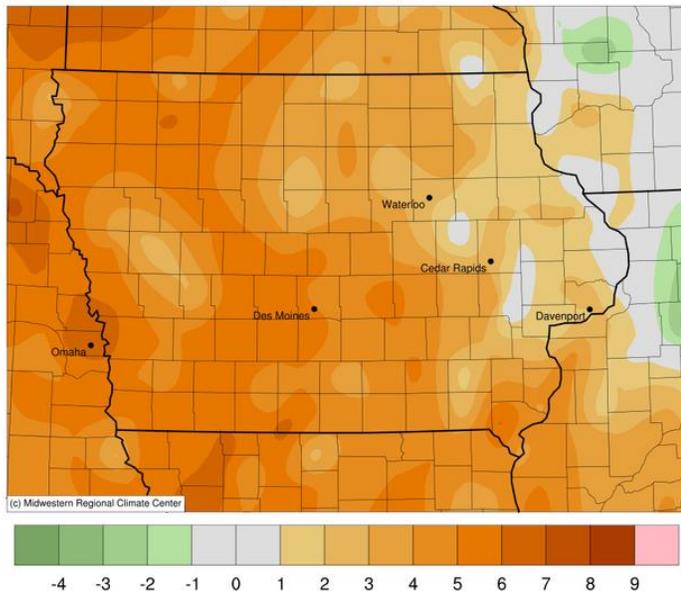
IOWA PRELIMINARY WEATHER SUMMARY

Provided by Harry J. Hillaker, State Climatologist
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It was a warm week across Iowa with temperatures for the week ranging from two to three degrees above normal over parts of northeast Iowa to around seven degrees above normal over the far southwest with a statewide average of 4.7 degrees warmer than usual. Temperatures reached into the low nineties over far western Iowa on Monday (8th) with a highest reading of 94 degrees at Little Sioux while the most widespread warm weather arrived on Saturday (13th) and Sunday (14th) with highs in the eighties nearly statewide on both days. On the other extreme Spencer reported a low of 35 degrees on Friday (12th) morning. Meanwhile the reporting week began with dry weather on Sunday (7th). Showers and thunderstorms were scattered over the southwest one-half of Iowa on Monday (8th) morning with locally heavy rain of an inch or two from near Denison southeast to Creston. Additional storms developed Monday afternoon and night across the northeast one-third of the state although only a few localized areas picked up more than one-third of an inch of rain with these storms. Tuesday (9th) was mostly dry with light rain coming late in the day over the far north. The bulk of the week's rain came on Wednesday (10th) with rain falling over all but far northwest Iowa. Greatest rain amounts with these mid-week storms fell across the southeast one-third of Iowa where reports of two-thirds to one and one-half inches were common. The remainder of the week was dry. No measurable rain fell during the week in far northwest Iowa at Rock Rapids and Rock Valley while a maximum reported amount of 3.49 inches fell just east of Anita in Cass County. The statewide average precipitation was 0.89 inches or just a little under the weekly normal of 1.02 inches.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

May 08, 2017 to May 14, 2017



Accumulated Precipitation (in)

May 08, 2017 to May 14, 2017

