



Iowa Crop Progress & Condition

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Severe weather conditions rolled through Iowa this week as high winds, isolated hail, and plenty of rain occurred during the week ending June 28, 2015, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service. Statewide there were 3.0 **days suitable for fieldwork**. Activities for the week included cutting hay, herbicide and fungicide applications, and some nitrogen side dressing. Excessive moisture is stressing some crops, causing small drowned-out areas, and preventing farmers from controlling weeds.

Topsoil moisture levels rated to 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 68 percent adequate and 31 percent surplus. **Subsoil moisture** levels rated 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 72 percent adequate and 26 percent surplus.

In southwest and south central Iowa farmers have begun to file prevented plantings for any remaining corn and soybean acreage. Eighty-three percent of the **corn** crop was rated good to excellent. **Soybean** emergence reached 96 percent, 11 days behind 2014. Soybean condition rated 78 percent good to excellent this week. With 90 percent of the **oat** crop headed or beyond, conditions declined slightly to 81 percent good to excellent.

Hay condition fell to 70 percent good to excellent this week due to wet conditions. The first cutting of **alfalfa hay** reached 83 percent complete. The second cutting reached 9 percent, one week behind average. **Pasture condition** rated 81 percent good to excellent. Muddy feedlots and increased insect pressure elevated livestock stress levels.

Crop conditions as of June 28, 2015

Item	Very Poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Corn, all	0	2	15	63	20
Soybeans	0	3	19	62	16
Hay, all.....	0	5	25	55	15
Oats.....	0	1	18	65	16
Pasture & Range...	0	1	18	58	23

Field Work and Crop Progress as of June 28, 2015

Item	Districts									State	Last Week	Last Year	5-yr Avg
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Oats headed	93	85	91	94	93	98	94	86	89	90	75	84	86
Oats coloring	18	5	11	19	31	16	29	19	29	17	3	10	20
Soybeans emerged.....	100	99	96	97	98	99	87	89	94	96	90	99	96
Soybeans blooming	9	4	10	3	11	9	5	1	6	6	1	5	7
Alfalfa Hay, first cutting	99	92	97	96	92	97	76	50	89	83	77	89	87
Alfalfa Hay, second cutting	18	4	20	7	12	9	1	0	10	9	3	4	18

Days Suitable & Soil Moisture Condition as of June 28, 2015

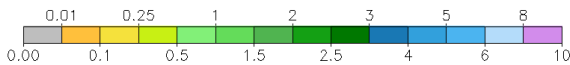
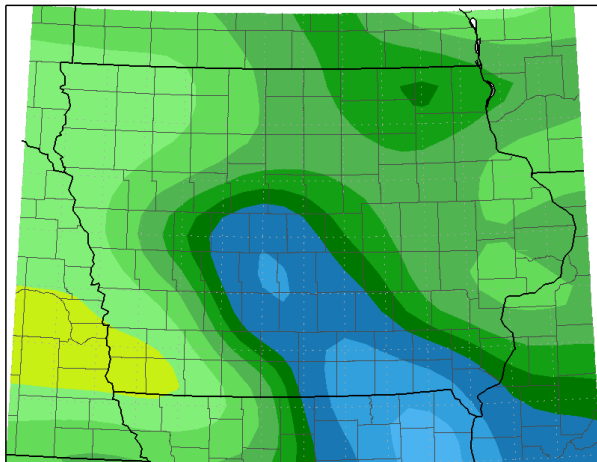
Item	Districts									State	Last Week	Last Year
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE			
	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
Days suitable	4.8	4.0	2.3	3.3	2.3	2.4	4.1	1.8	0.6	3.0	3.5	2.2
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture												
Very short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Short	7	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	2	1	2	3
Adequate	83	85	77	78	67	36	56	33	43	68	71	62
Surplus	10	14	23	20	32	64	43	67	55	31	27	35
Subsoil moisture												
Very short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Short	7	1	4	2	1	0	2	0	7	2	3	9
Adequate	81	88	81	83	72	41	67	39	57	72	76	69
Surplus	12	11	15	15	27	59	31	61	35	26	21	21

IOWA PRELIMINARY WEATHER SUMMARY

Provided by Harry Hillaker, State Climatologist
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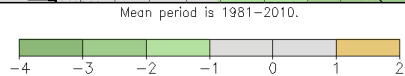
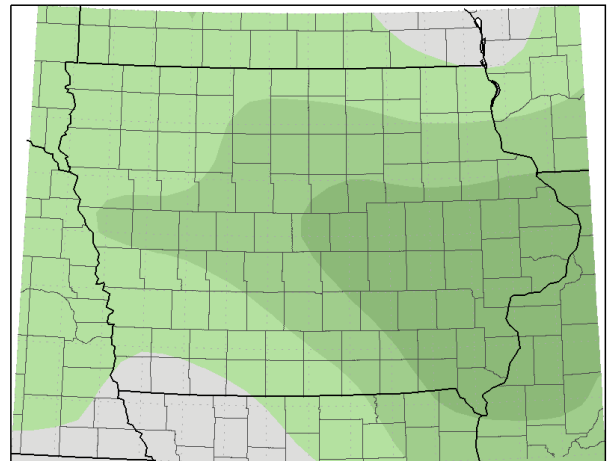
Iowa endured a very wet and stormy week. Thunderstorms were widespread on Monday (22nd), Wednesday (24th) into Thursday (25th) morning, Friday (26th) and over eastern Iowa on Sunday (28th). High winds raked much of northern Iowa on Monday (22nd) morning, with additional severe storms over south central Iowa on Monday afternoon. Hail and high winds were also reported over parts of southwest, south central and east central Iowa on Wednesday (24th). Torrential rains fell over portions of central and south central Iowa on Wednesday night with widespread flooding. However, parts of northwest and southwest Iowa saw only light amounts of rain with Sidney and Shenandoah recording only sprinkles. On the other end of the spectrum Waukee reported 7.98 inches of rain. The statewide average precipitation total was 2.13 inches, or nearly double the weekly normal of 1.17 inches. Meanwhile temperatures averaged from one degree above normal over southwestern Iowa to three degrees above normal over the northeast with a statewide average of 2.0 degrees subnormal. Temperature extremes varied from a Wednesday afternoon high of 94 degrees at Clarinda to a Tuesday morning low of 51 degrees at Elkader.

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
June 22, 2015 to June 28, 2015



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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from Mean
June 22, 2015 to June 28, 2015



Mean period is 1981-2010.
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