

Weather/Climate Issues for Ag 2019 and Beyond

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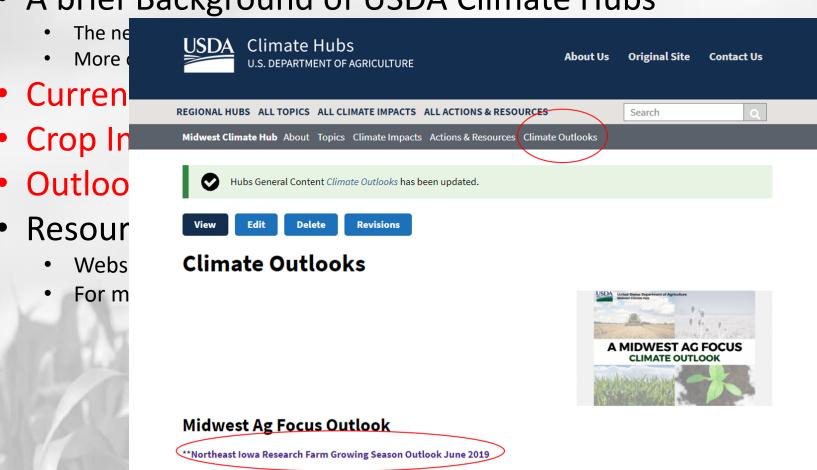
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A brief Background of USDA Climate Hubs



The Midwest Ag-Focus Outlooks are produced by the Midwest Climate Hub monthly, or as needed. We utilize NOAA and USDA outlooks, placing them in context for agriculture in the Midwest based on current impacts. The most current Midwest Ag-Focus Outlook can be found here. For past outlooks, or if you wish to subscribe to our email list and receive outlooks as they are produced, please email us.



Intro to Climate Hub Work



Assessments and Syntheses

delivering relevant information

Outreach and Education

enabling climate-informed decisions

Technical Support

facilitating engagement, discovery and exchange









Here in the Midwest...



Our Goal

To provide information to help producers cope with climate change through linkages of research, education and partnerships in a region that represents one of the most intense areas of agricultural production in the world.



MCH Thematic Areas

Assessments and Syntheses

delivering relevant information













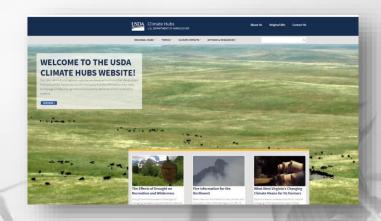


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Midwest and Great Plains Climate & Drought Outlook 16 August 2018

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Would have been a pretty good growing season except.....

A LITTLE CLIMATE BACKGROUND

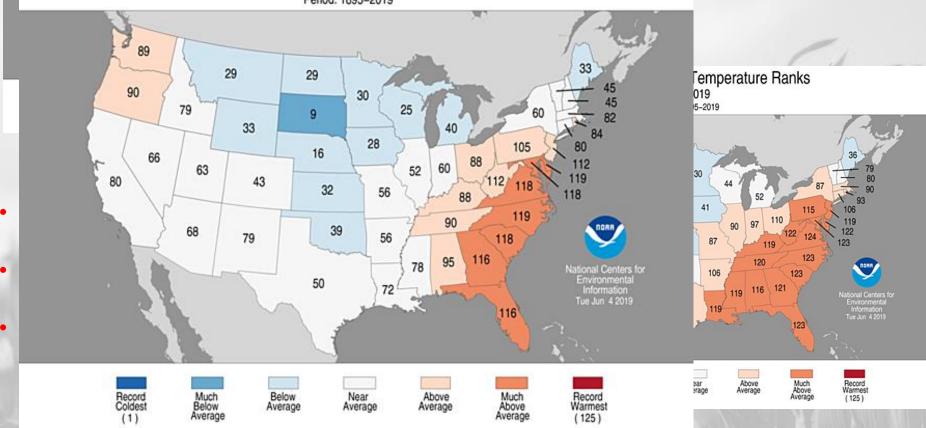
Statewide Maximum Temperature Ranks May 2019

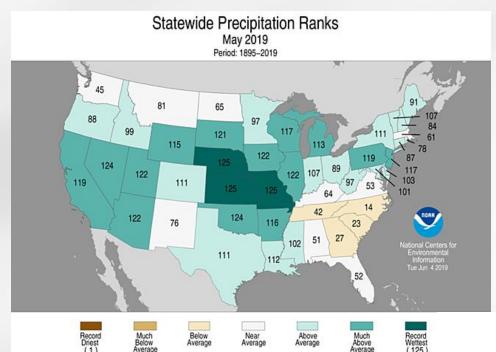
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Spring Temperature

Statewide Average Temperature Ranks March-May 2019

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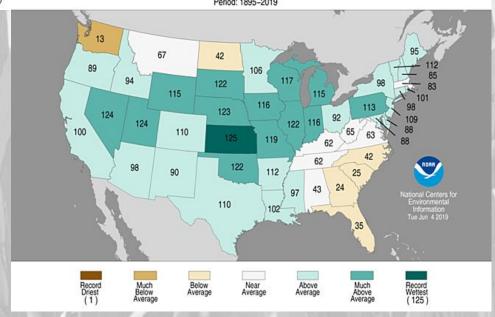




May/Spring Precipitation

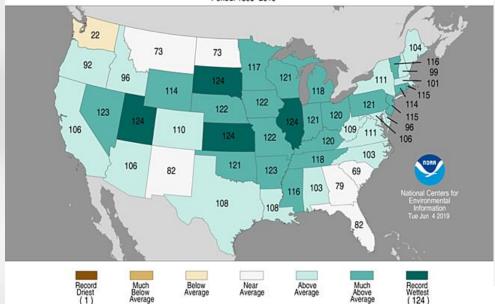
Statewide Precipitation Ranks March-May 2019 Period: 1895-2019

- May and spring precipitation well above average through middle US
- Top 10 and wettest all time for a few states at these time scales



Statewide Precipitation Ranks December 2018-May 2019

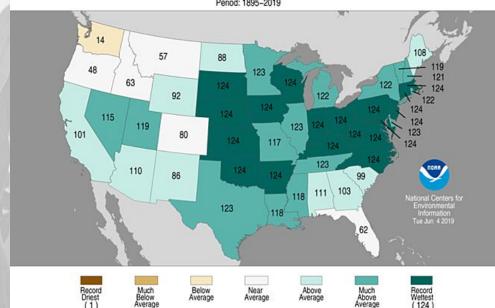
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6/12 Month Precipitation

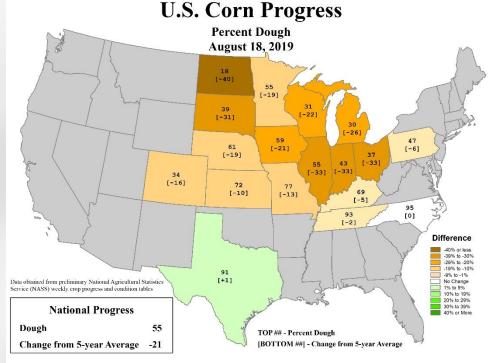
Statewide Precipitation Ranks June 2018-May 2019

Period: 1895-2019



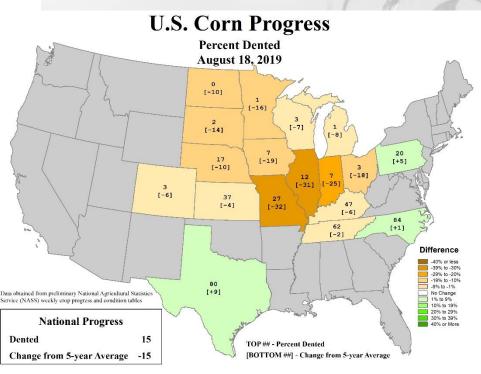
- Extended period of wetness back to a year.
- Top 10/record wettest in states back to a year.
- Wetness problems are long term issues.
- Iowa wettest June-May period on record (124 years)

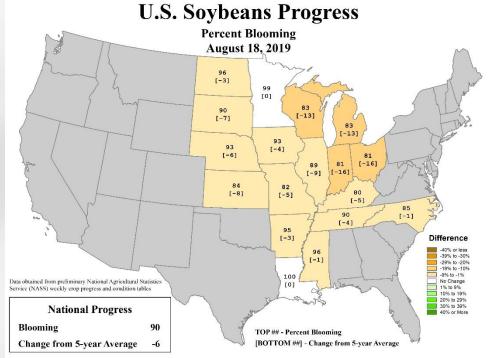




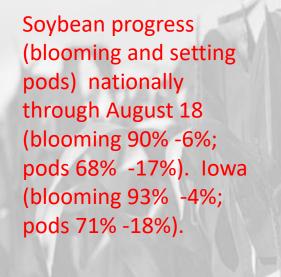
USDA NASS Crop Progress (through August 18)

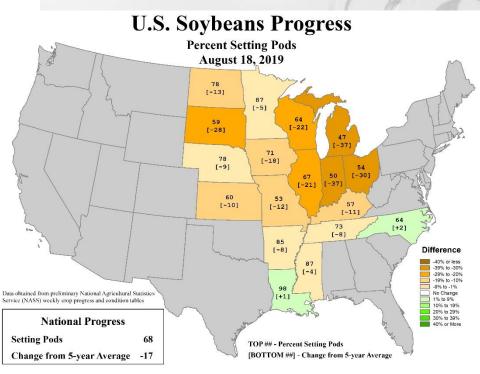
Crop progress (corn dough and dent) nationally through August 18 (dough 55% -21%; dent 15% -15%). lowa (dough 59% -21%; dent 7% -19%).

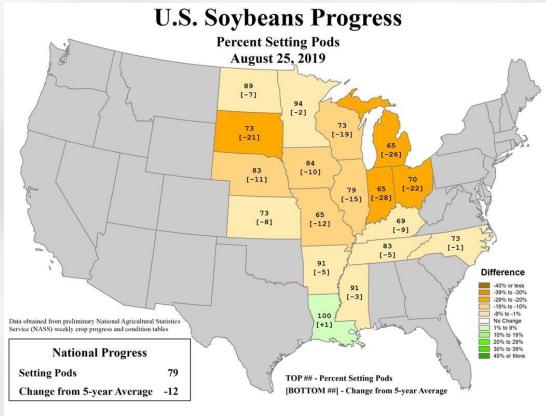




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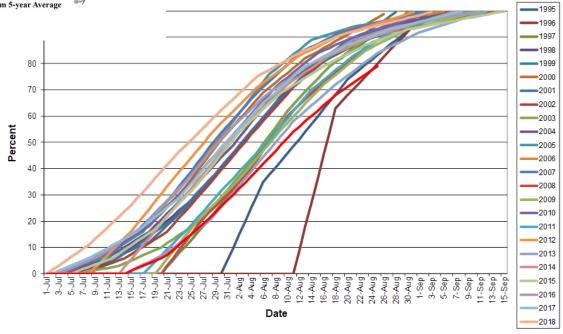


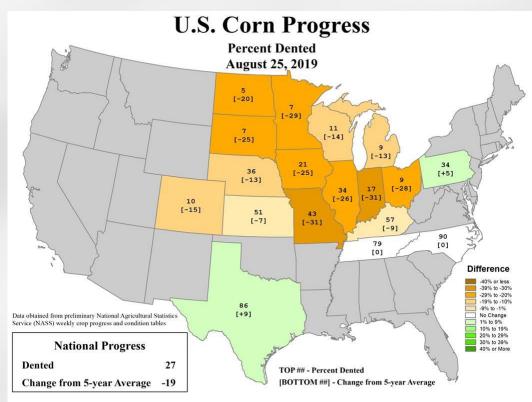
USDA NASS Crop Progress (through August 25)

U.S. SOYBEANS: Percent Setting pods

Soybean progress (setting pods) nationally through August 25 (pods 79% - 12%). Iowa (pods 84% - 10%).

Lowest pod set on record as of Aug. 25



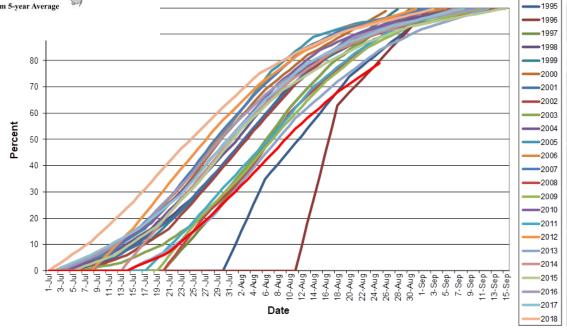


USDA NASS Crop Progress (through August 25)

U.S. SOYBEANS: Percent Setting pods

Corn progress (dented) nationally through August 25 (27% -19%). lowa (21% -25%).

6th lowest dented on record as of Aug. 25



Using data to make decisions

LONG TERM IMPACTS - AGRICULTURE

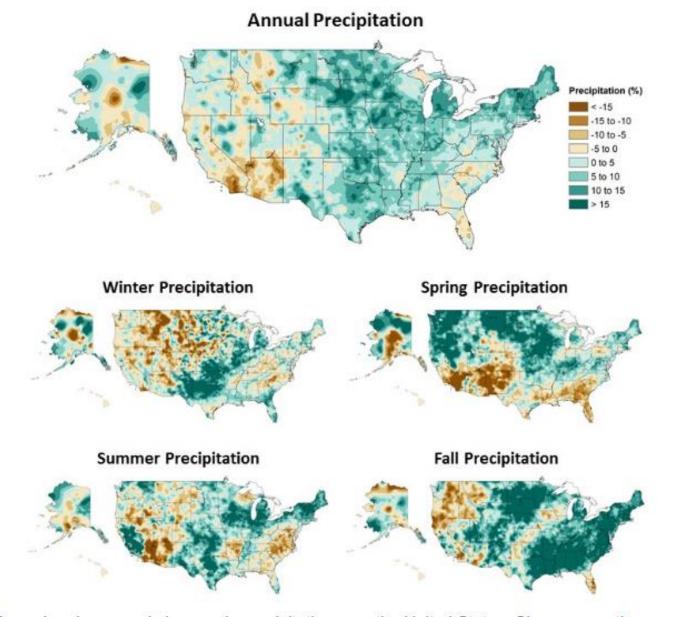
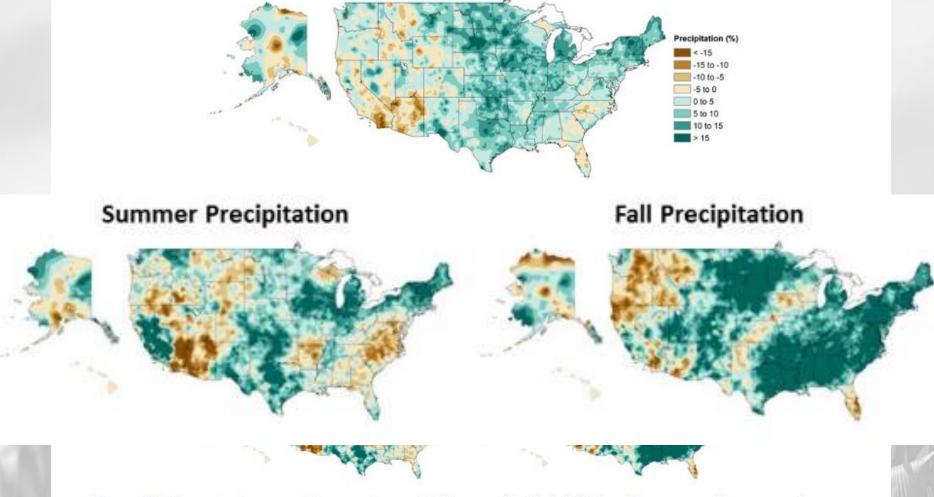
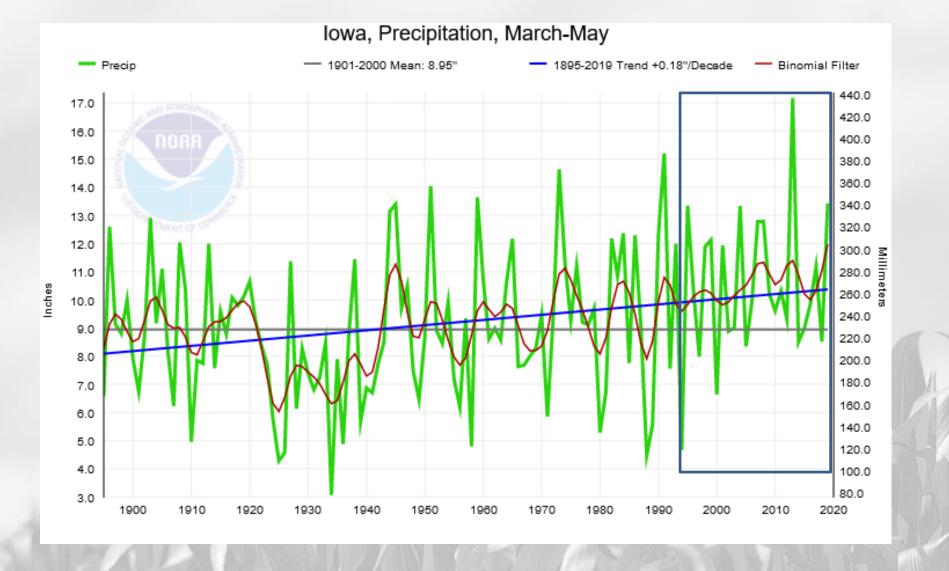


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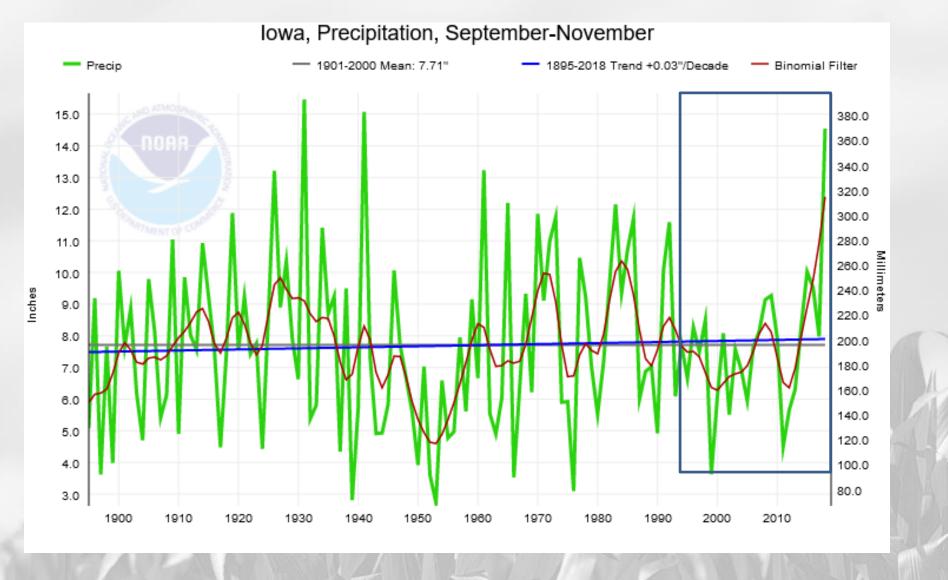
Annual Precipitation

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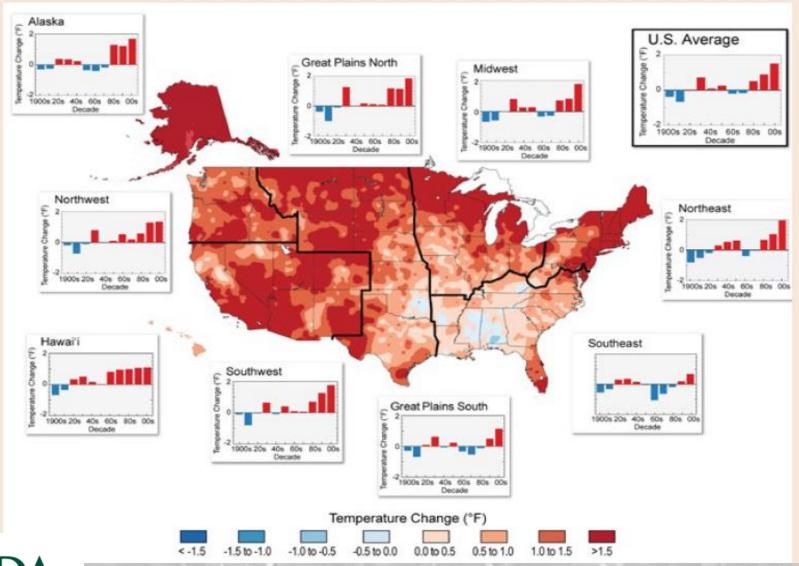


Issues from Precip Changes

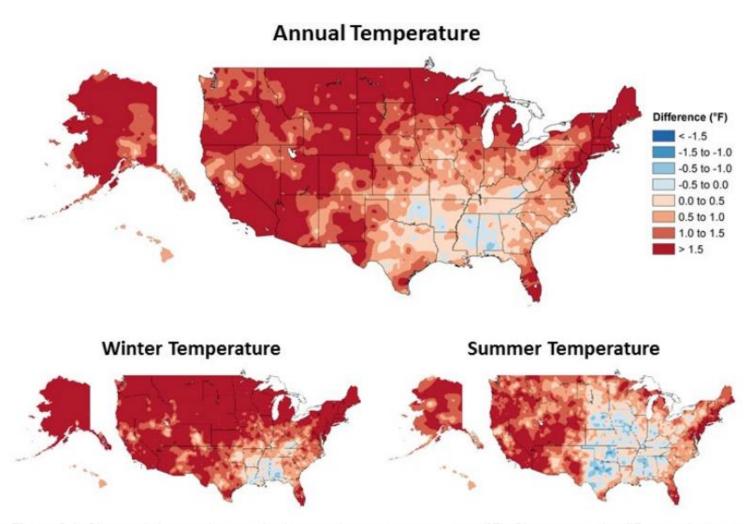
- Variable across the corn belt
- Increasing precip totals (especially off-season)
- More soil/nutrient loss potential
- Soil loss
 - Reducing tillage
 - Cover crops
- Nutrient loss
 - 4Rs
- Planting/harvesting issues
- Increased need for drainage



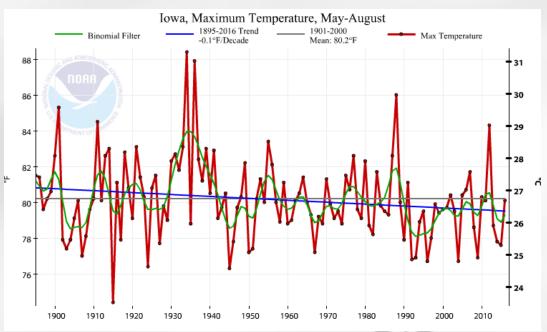
Observed U.S. Temperature Change

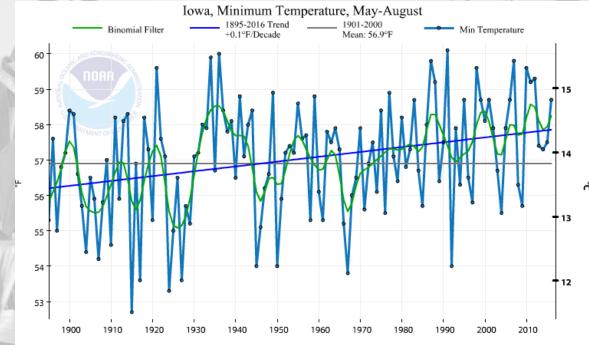






6.1. Observed changes in annual, winter, and summer temperature (°F). Changes are the difference between rage for present-day (1986–2016) and the average for the first half of the last century (1901–1960 for the con-United States, 1925–1960 for Alaska and Hawai'i). Estimates are derived from the nClimDiv dataset. (Figure NOAA/NCEI).

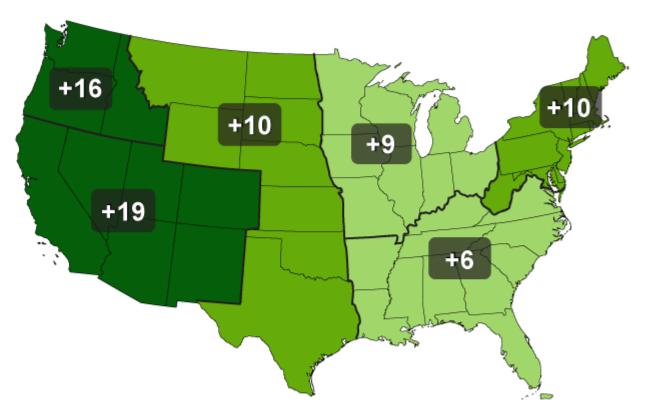




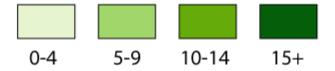


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Observed Increase in Frost-Free Season Length



Change in Annual Number of Days



USDA

http://nca2014.globalchange.gov/

The frost-free season length, defined as the period between the last occurrence of 32°F in the spring and the first occurrence of 32°F in the fall, has increased in each U.S. region during 1991-2012 relative to 1901-1960. Increases in frost-free season length correspond to similar increases in growing season length. (Figure source: NOAA NCDC / CICS-NC).

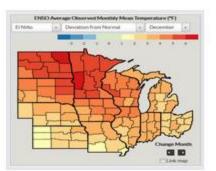


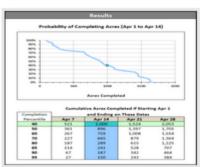
Decision Support Tools



U2UDST SUITE







AgClimate ViewDST

A convenient way to access customized historical climate and crop yield data for the U.S. Corn Belt. View graphs of monthly temperature and precipitation, plot corn and soybean yield trends, and compare climate and yields over the past 30 years.

Climate Patterns Viewerpst

Discover how global climate patterns like the El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) and Arctic Oscillation (AO) have historically affected local climate conditions and crop yields across the U.S. Corn Belt.

Probable Fieldwork Days_{DST}

This spreadsheet-based tool uses USDA data on Days Suitable for Fieldwork to determine the probability of completing in-field activities during a user-specified time period. This product is currently available for Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri. (Hosted by the University of Missouri)



Corn GDD_{DST}

Track real-time and historical GDD accumulations, assess spring and fall frost risk, and guide decisions related to planting, harvest, and seed selection. This innovative tool integrates corn development stages with weather and climate data for location-specific decision support tailored specifically to agricultural production.



Corn Split N_{DST} (NEW!)

Determine the feasibility and profitability of using post-planting nitrogen application for corn production. This product combines historical data on crop growth and fieldwork conditions with economic considerations to determine best/worst /average scenarios of successfully completing nitrogen applications within a user-specified time period.

Corn Growing Degree Days



This tool puts current conditions into a 30-year historical perspective and offers trend projections through the end of the calendar year. Growing Degree Day (GDD) projections, combined with analysis of historical analog data, can help you make decisions about:

- Climate Risks Identify the likelihood of reaching maturity before frosts/freezes.
- ➤ Activity Planning Consider corn hybrid estimated physiological maturity requirements, along with GDD projections when making seed purchasing and other growing season decisions.
- ➤ Marketing Look at historical and projected GDD when considering forward pricing and crop insurance purchases.

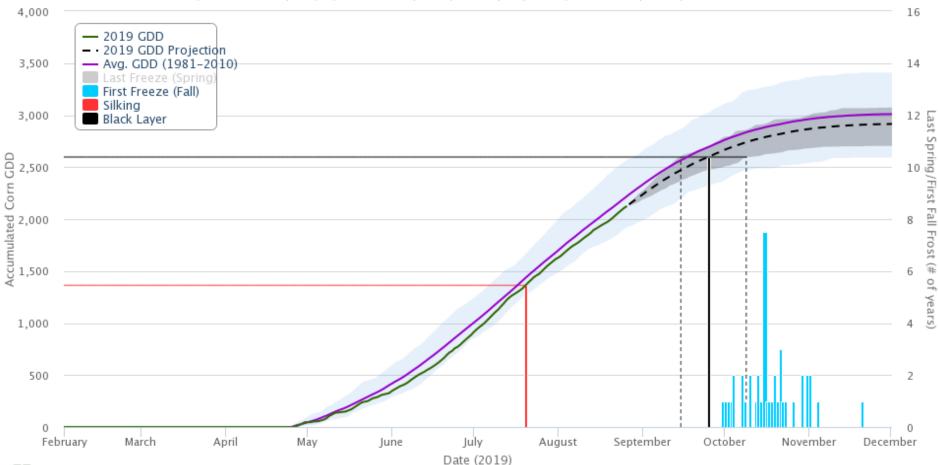


GDD Graph



Corn Growing Degree Day Tool

Location: 42.06, -93.43 in Story Co., IA, Start Date: April 25, Maturity Days: 108, Freeze Temp: 28°F, Variation: All Years





GDD Base 50/86 (degrees F); Created: 08/27/2019

U2U Tools

- High Plains Regional Climate Center
- https://hprcc.unl.edu/g dd.php

- Other ag tools there
 - Soil T
 - Vegetation/freeze
 - Others



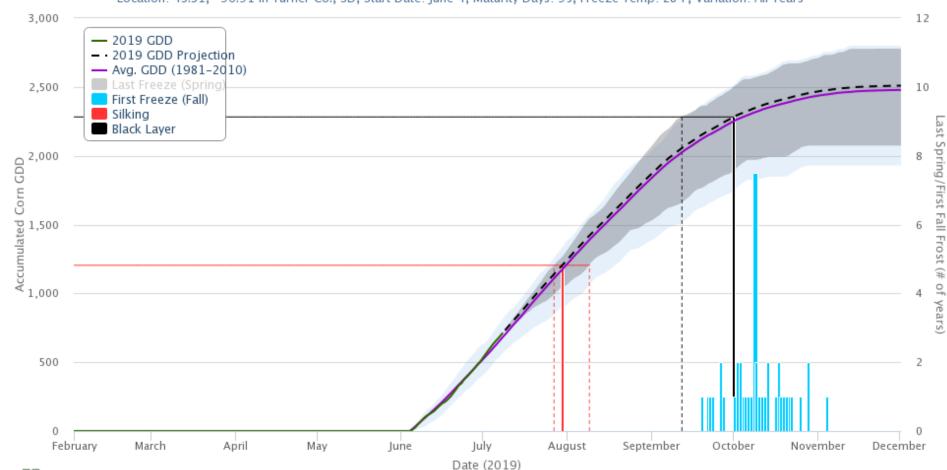


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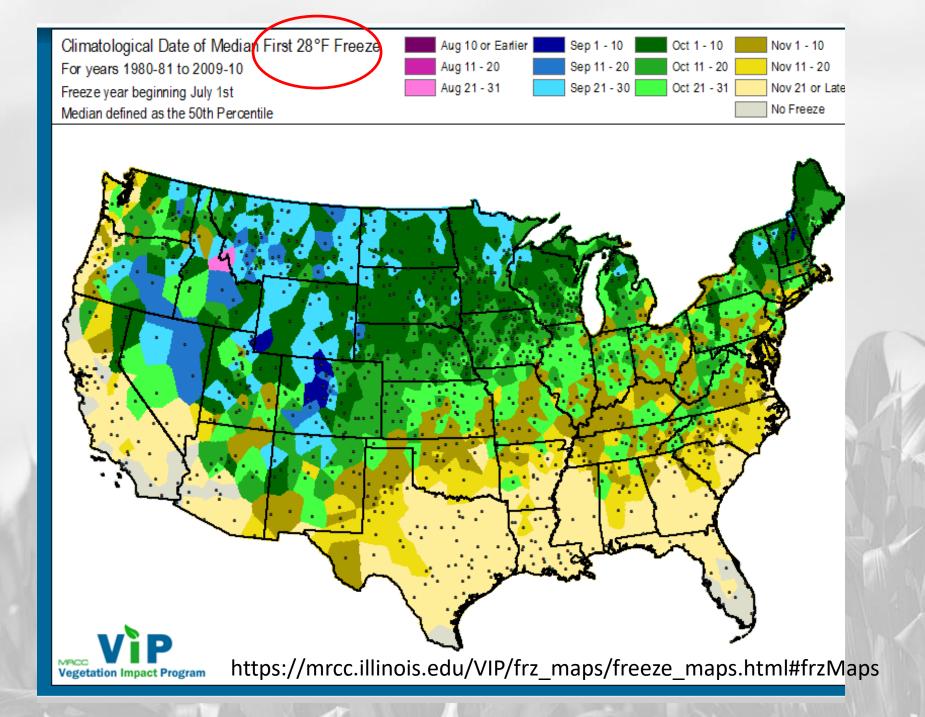
Location: 43.31, -96.91 in Turner Co., SD, Start Date: June 4, Maturity Days: 95, Freeze Temp: 28°F, Variation: All Years





GDD Base 50/86 (degrees F); Created: 07/09/2019

GDD Base 50/86 (degrees F); Created: 10/09/2015



Aug 11 - 20 Oct 11 - 20 Nov 11 - 20 For years 1980-81 to 2009-10 Sep 11 - 20 Aug 21 - 31 Sep 21 - 30 Oct 21 - 31 Nov 21 or Late Freeze year beginning July 1st No Freeze Median defined as the 50th Percentile

Aug 10 or Earlier

Sep 1 - 10

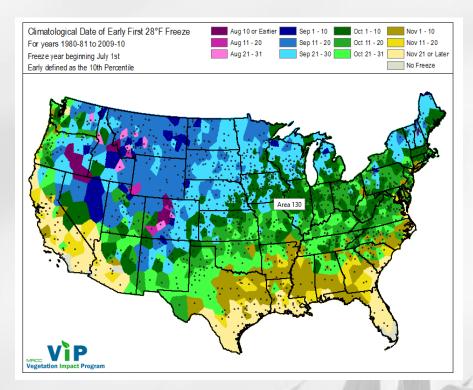
Oct 1 - 10

Nov 1 - 10

Climatological Date of Median First 28°F Freeze

Freeze date -50th percentile

Half the time earlier – half the time later.

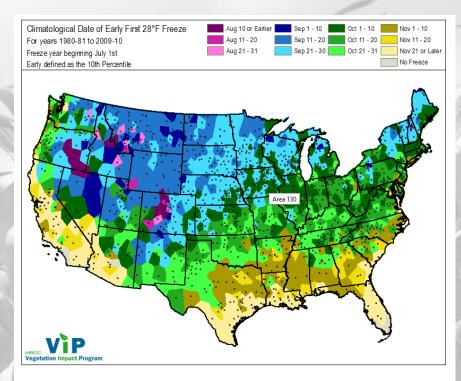


Around here

Early – very late September

Late - End of October

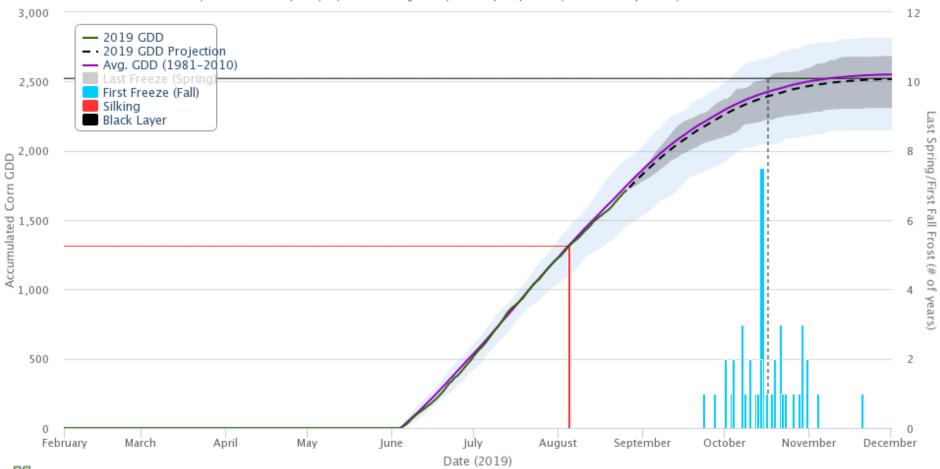
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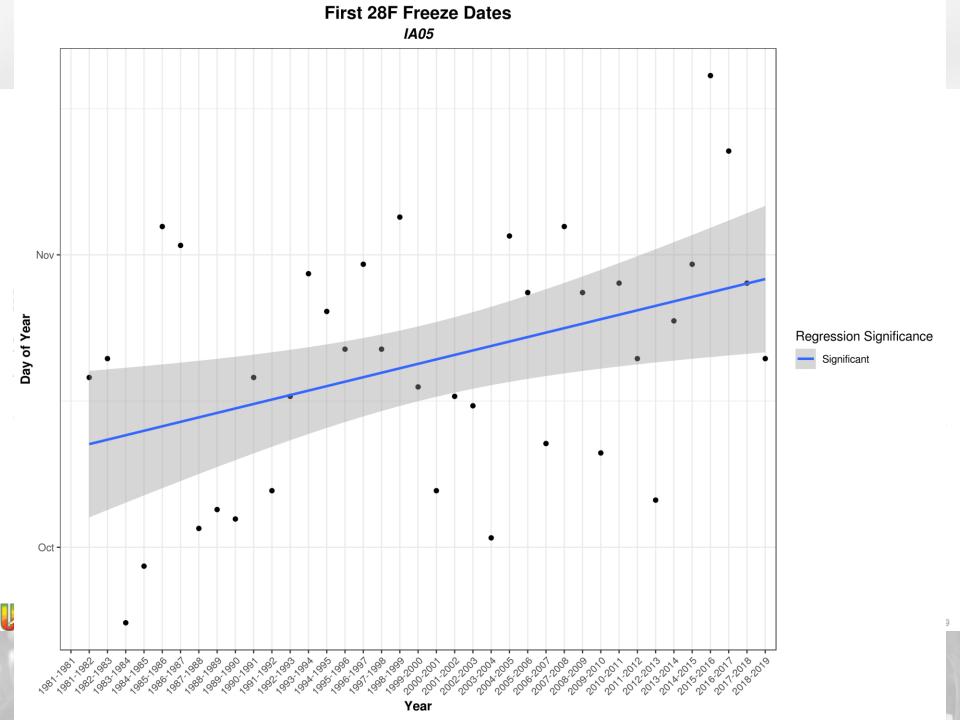
Location: 42.03, -93.60 in Story Co., IA, Start Date: June 4, Maturity Days: 105, Freeze Temp: 28°F, Variation: All Years











Take Home on Frost-Freeze

- Be as patient as you can be
- Do not buy in to anything on early freeze at this point. Too early to address here. (far northern corn belt we need to start watching)
- Some corn will not make it.

• Trend is in our favor....



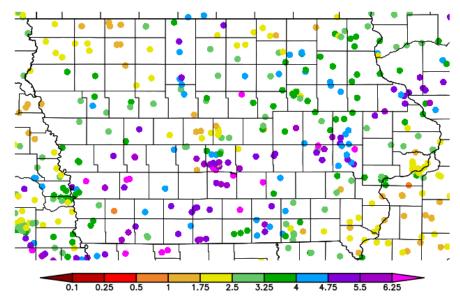
What about this season?

CURRENT CONDITIONS/OUTLOOKS



30 Day Precip. Total/% Avg.

Precipitation (in) 7/26/2019 - 8/24/2019

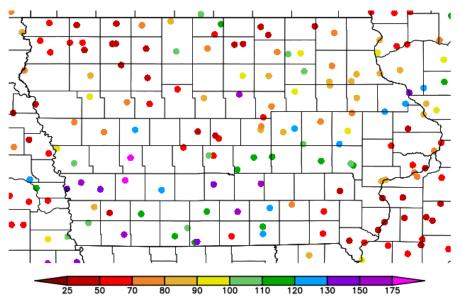


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NOAA Regional Climate Cent

Heaviest rain in last 30 days SW to Dubuque area 4-6" (100-150% avg.). Much lighter far NW and SE where less than 50% or even 25% avg.

Percent of Normal Precipitation (%) 7/26/2019 - 8/24/2019

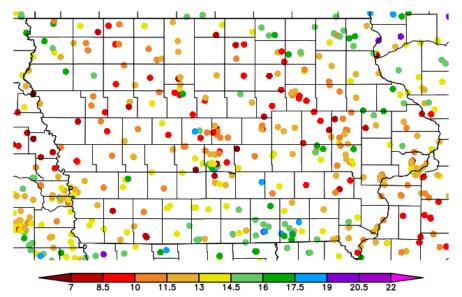


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90 Day Precip. Total/% Avg.

Precipitation (in) 5/27/2019 - 8/24/2019

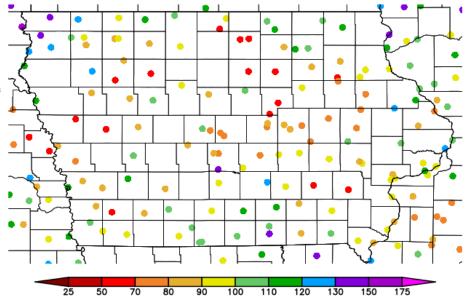


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90 day around 10-15" with heavier in the south and a few other pockets. Much of the state slightly below avg. to below 70%. Wetter than avg. in smaller pockets statewide.

Percent of Normal Precipitation (%) 5/27/2019 - 8/24/2019



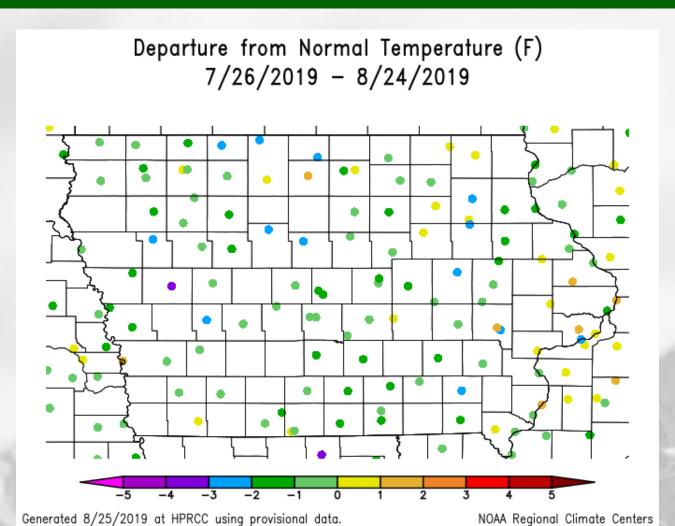


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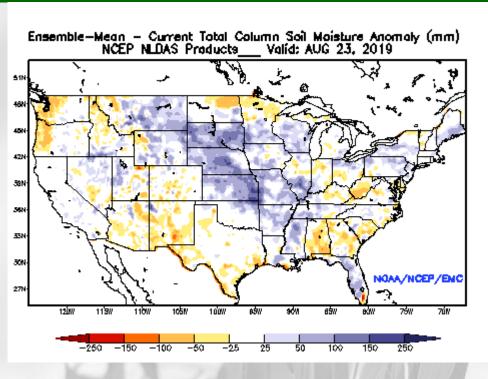
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30 Day Temperatures



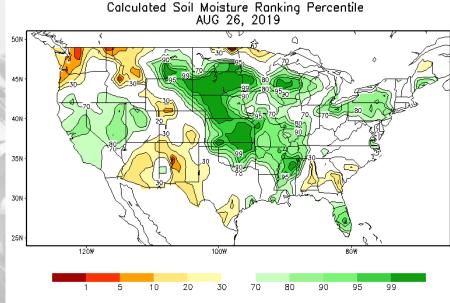
Mostly slightly cooler than average statewide last 30 days.

Soil Moisture



https://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/mmb/nldas/drought/

Soil moisture closer to average central IA. Wetter west – mixed to the east.

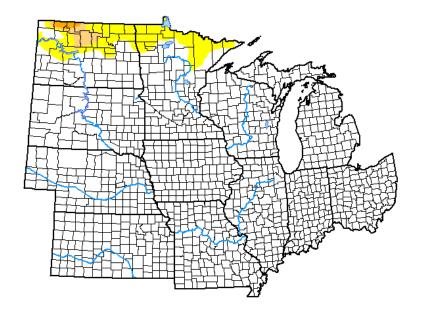




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US Drought Monitor

U.S. Drought Monitor North Central



July 2, 2019

(Released Wednesday, Jul. 3, 2019) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	93.80	6.20	0.99	0.22	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-25-2019	94.22	5.78	1.34	0.35	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 04-02-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2019	95.93	4.07	1.43	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-25-2018	73.15	26.85	12.92	4.07	0.97	0.05
One Year Ago 07-03-2018	74.72	25.28	12.00	5.21	0.61	0.00

Intensity:

D2 Severe Drought

D0 Abnormally Dry D1 Moderate Drought

D3 Extreme Drought D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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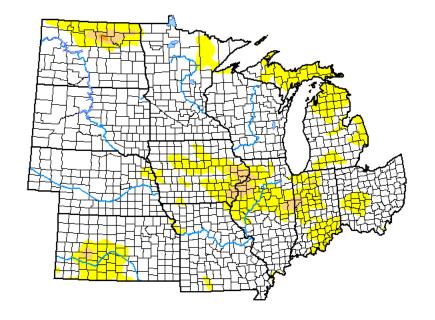
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D0 pockets in Minnesota. Northern North Dakota in D1/D2.



US Drought Monitor

U.S. Drought Monitor
North Central



August 20, 2019

(Released Thursday, Aug. 22, 2019) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	80.01	19.99	1.98	0.06	0.00	0.00
Last Week 08-13-2019	81.37	18.63	1.96	0.06	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 05-21-2019	96.92	3.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2019	95.93	4.07	1.43	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-25-2018	73.15	26.85	12.92	4.07	0.97	0.05
One Year Ago 08-21-2018	55.50	44.50	20.16	7.59	2.57	0.50

Intensity:

None

Dry

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Precipitation deficits since early summer continue to show D1-D0 conditions. D1 Moderate drought in pockets of eastern IA.

Please share impacts of dryness with any crop.



Crop/Harvest issues

Growing season:

- Delayed planting/phenology
- Slow development
- Disease
- Weed issues
- Lack of sunlight (don't have good data on this)

Harvest:

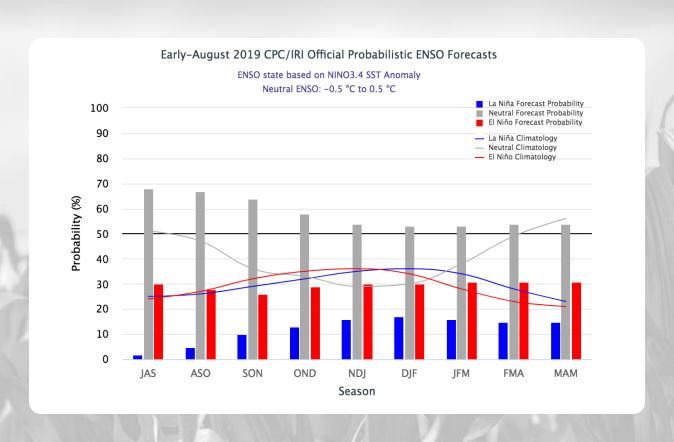
- Freeze concerns/timing
- More likely lots of immature high moisture corn
- Wetness (likely less of an issue this year)
- GDD Tool Keep checking back on progress



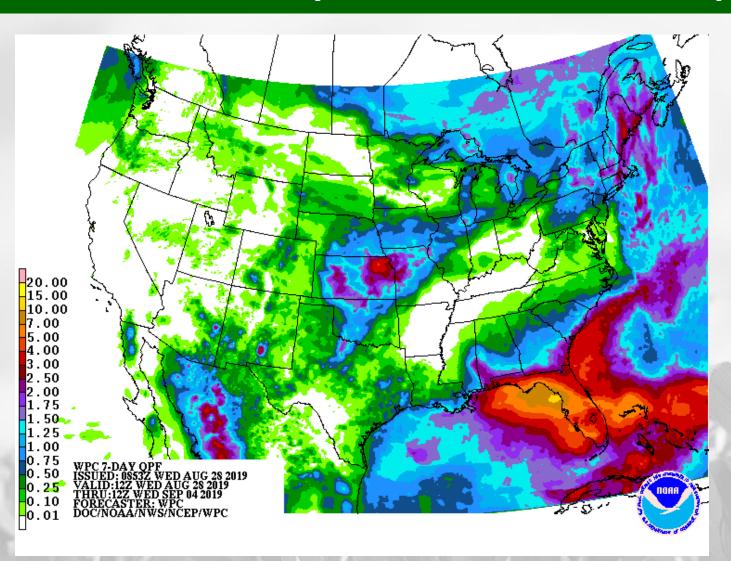
CPC/IRI Probabilistic ENSO Outlook

Updated: 8 August 2019

ENSO-neutral is most likely to continue through the Northern Hemisphere winter 2019-20.

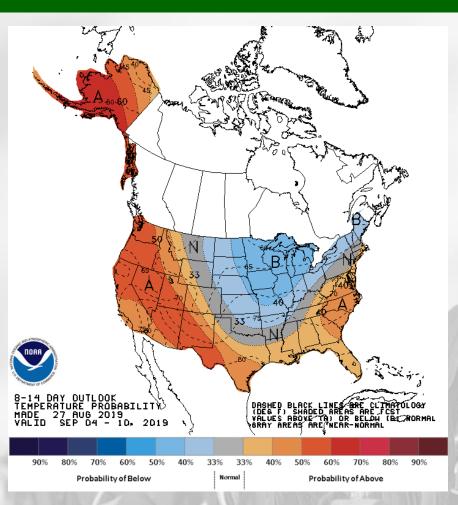


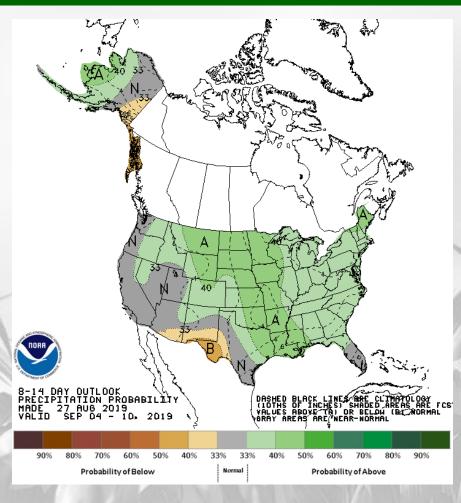
7 Day Forecast Precip.



Biggest rain amounts to our south next 7 days.

8-14 Day Temp and Precip. Outlook



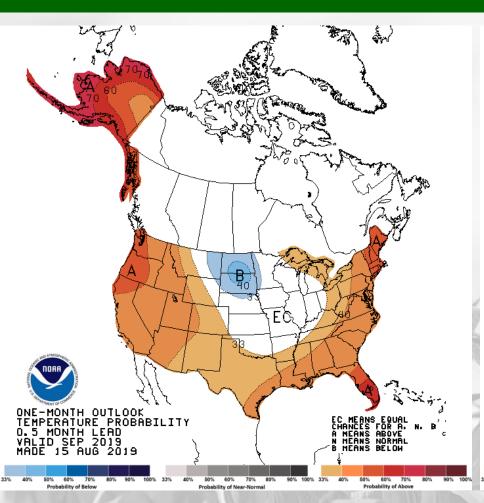


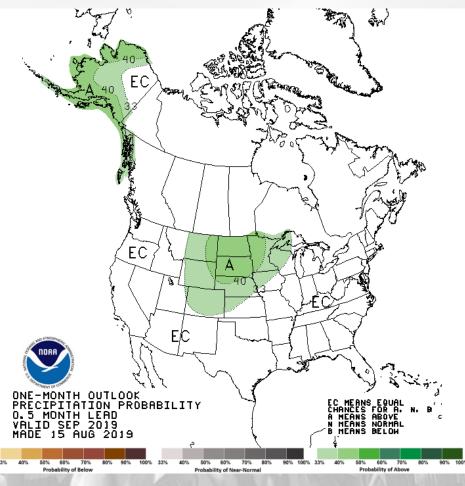
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Slightly increased chances for cooler and wetter into 2nd week of September.

30 Day Temp and Precip. Outlook



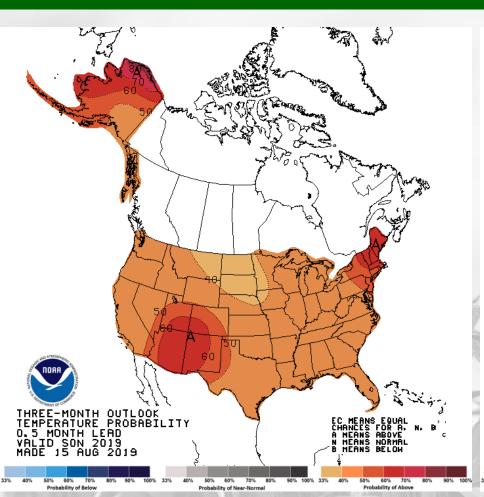


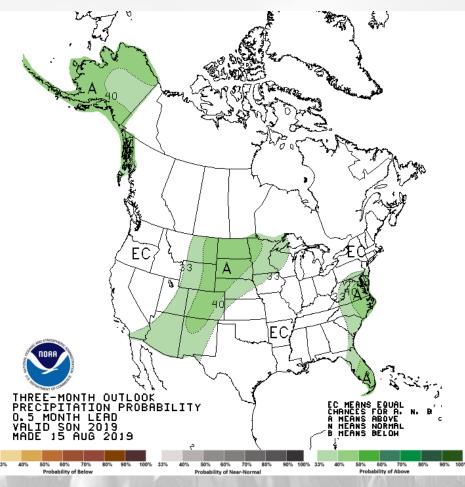
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Limited indications for September. Slightly higher chance on precip - NW. Almost nothing on temperature.

90 Day Temp and Precip. Outlook





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Similar wet pattern to the 30 day in the 3 month. Wetter slightly more possible into the fall. Warmer than avg. more likely. Would be beneficial to hopefully lengthen season and drydown.

Take Home

Current conditions:

- Drier conditions more recently (+/-)
- Precip totals widely ranging 30 and 90 days.
- Temperatures close to avg. last 30 days
- Crop conditions overall still slow.

• Outlook info:.

- Some rains in the near term probably too late to help much
- No indications on early freeze
- Fall outlook in our favor with warmer likely overall



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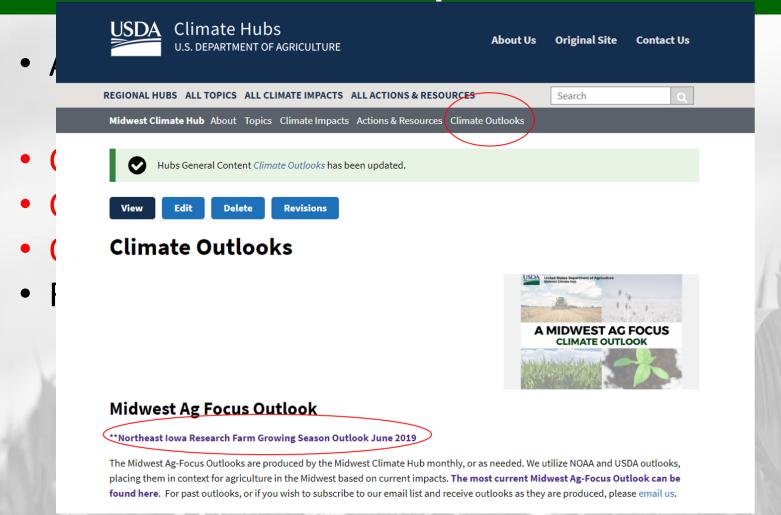


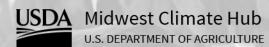




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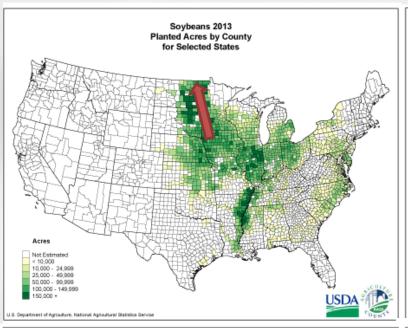
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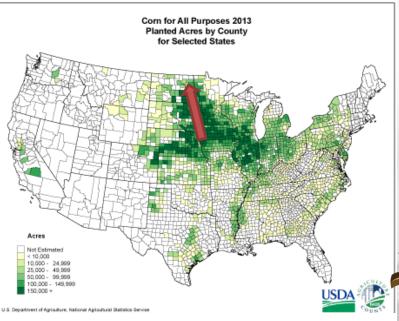
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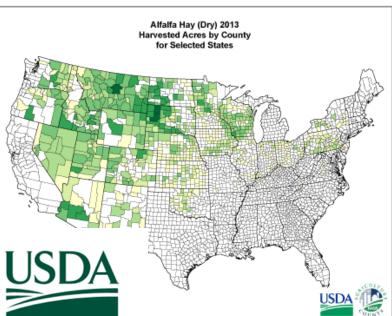


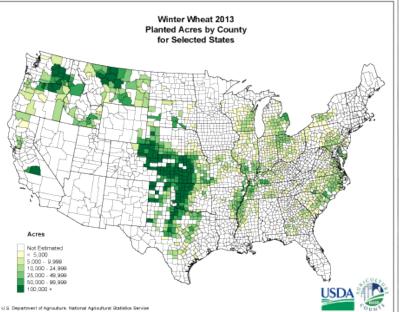


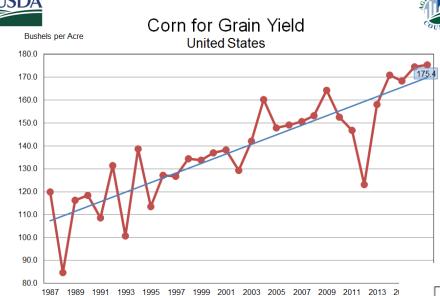
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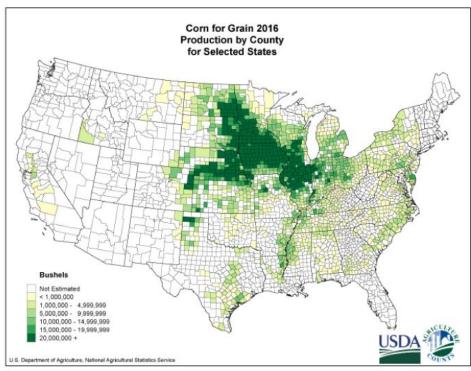


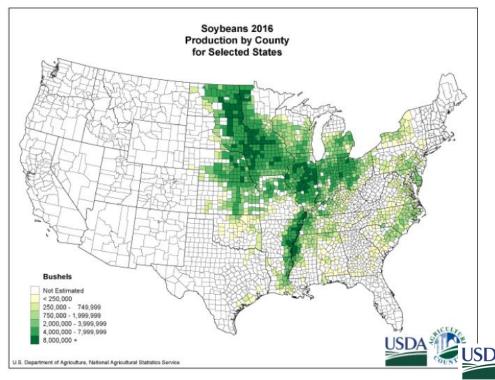




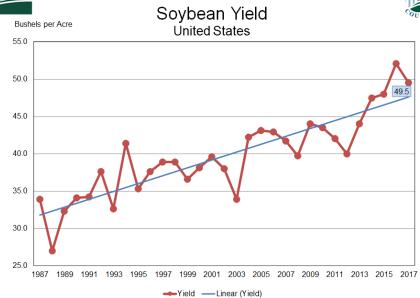
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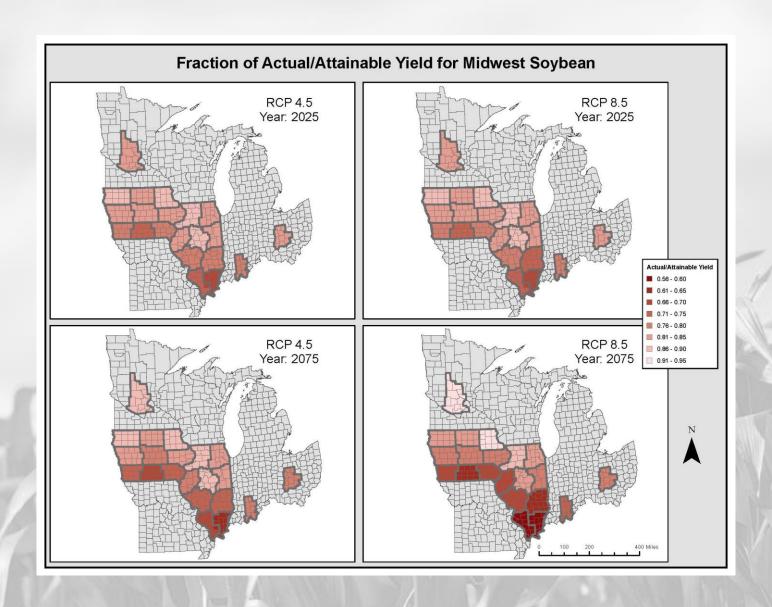


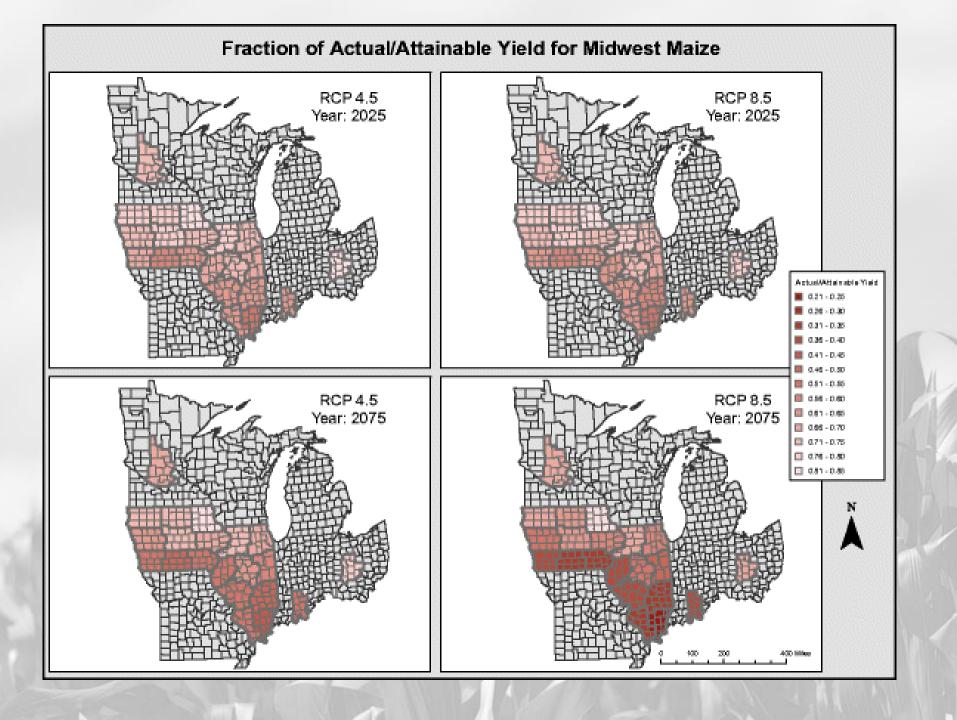












Climate Change and Agricultural Pests



1)Expanding geographic ranges northward

2) Reducing winter die offs

- 3) Earlier spring emergence
- 4) Increased generations per year
- Invasive insects are of particular concern since they often limited more by climate in their non-native ranges (no natural enemies and abundant food)

But can CO₂ affect herbicide efficacy?

Ambient CO2

Future CO2



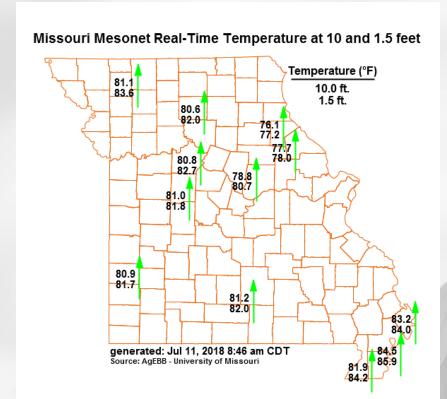
As carbon dioxide increases, glyphosate efficacy is reduced



Ziska et al. 1999. Weed Science. 47:608-615, inter alia



Inversions and Drift



- Developing regional inversion potential for drift issues
- Missouri first
- Six additional states and Dakotas now adding
- Measuring low level inversion potential and timing

