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## Central Illinois Precipitation

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*The 2009 growing season had some very unusual and memorable characteristics. Initial corn planting did not start until the end of April (three weeks late). Seasonal average temperatures were 68 degrees -- the coolest in the 137 years of records. And, 2009 rainfall totaled 68 inches -- 30 inches (or 80%) above normal. Harvest was delayed by crop maturity and wet weather (October had 11 inches of rainfall). But -- we thank Mother Nature that -- rain makes grain! Since December, our precipitation totals are near normal*

