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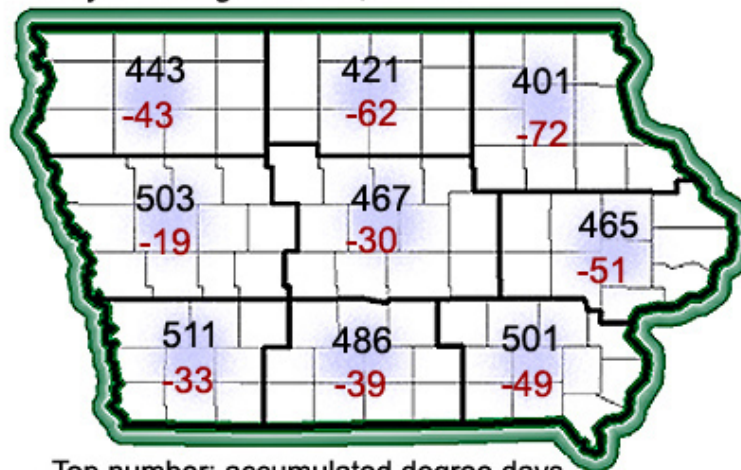
## Degree Days - Cool is cool

By Rich Pope, Corn and Soybean Initiative

The month of June opened with a cool week, with about 80 percent of the normal heat accumulated between May 31 and June 7. Although a bit warmer weather would accelerate crop development, Iowa crops are progressing nicely in most areas.

Statewide, we have received about 90 percent of the heat for corn and soybean growth as in an average year. We are now 44 base-50 degree days behind average.

Base 50°F degree days  
May 1 through June 7, 2009



Top number: accumulated degree days  
Bottom number: departure from average

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