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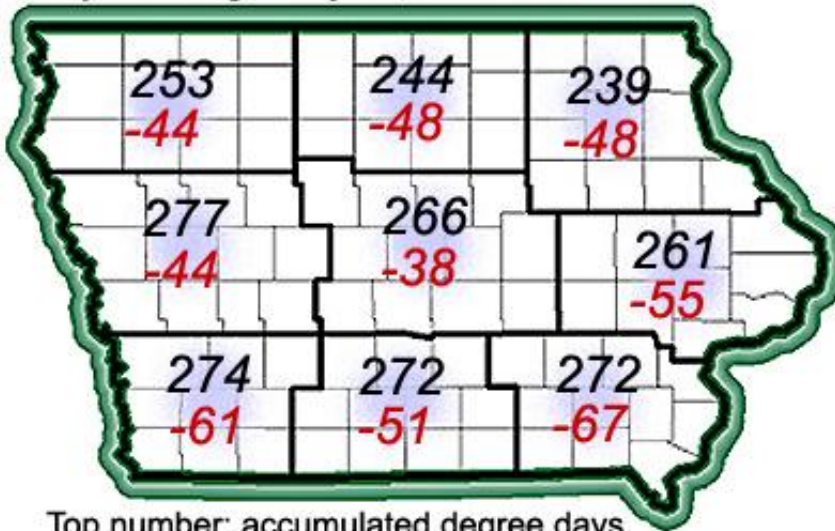
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Base 50°F degree days
May 1 through May 26, 2008



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

Major agronomic issues for the week in many areas includes watching for soil crusting that is interfering with especially soybean emergence, however some light rain can be helpful in alleviating that problem. Additionally, getting runaway weeds under control in some fields is a developing issue. The focus on planting has understandably taken precedence over some weed management activity, and it goes without saying that big weeds are tougher to control than little ones.

Corn fields have emerged across the state, and 5 to 10 percent of soybean fields can now be rowed, particularly in western and central Iowa.

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