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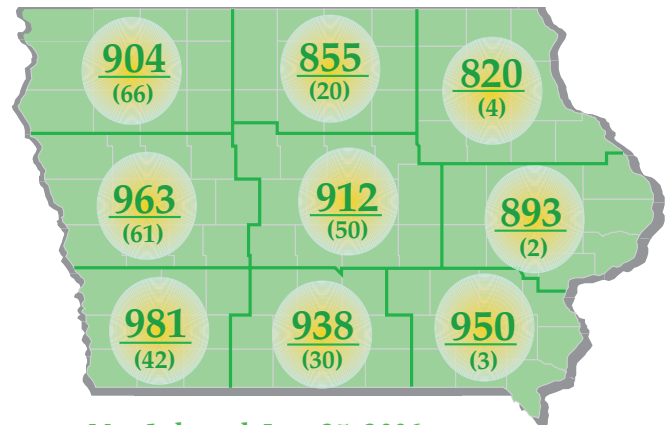


## Degree Days Warm and dry

by Rich Pope, Department of Entomology

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The statewide average growing season moisture deficit stands at 2.72 inches, with west central the driest (-4.15") and east central the least far behind (-1.13").



May 1 through June 25, 2006  
Accumulated Base: 50 °F Degree Days

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