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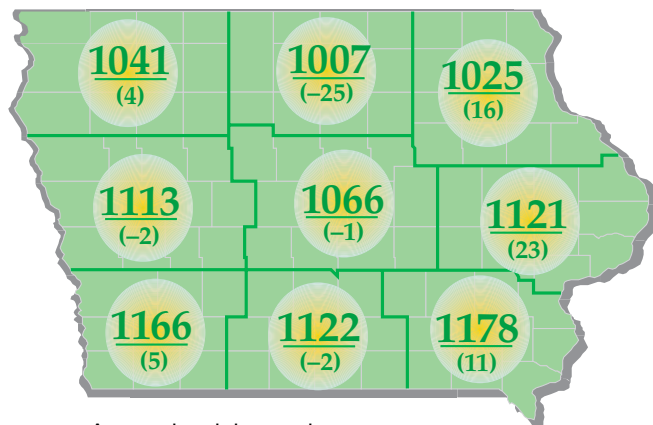
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Remember, soybean aphids do merit watching and will each year. Each week a new generation can be born, and populations can grow quickly. Remember soybean rust? Another week of no news is good news, but the disease is being found in a few more places in the South, so stay tuned.

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