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Extension Rainfall Report for September

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Hardin County - During the month of September, Extension volunteer rainfall reporters received an average of 1.77 inches of rain. The most rain for this month, 2.92 inches, fell in Goshen Township, as measured by Brien Brothers Farm. The least rain reported during the month, 0.95 inches, was reported in Hale Township by Travis Ramsey. During the same month last year, an average of 3.12 inches of rain fell. The rainfall recorded in September over the past ten years averaged 3.37 inches.

For the growing season since April 15, the average precipitation in the townships was 26.91 inches, ranging from 33.49 inches in Jackson Township, to 23.20 inches in Dudley Township. Even with the two month dry period this summer, the growing season average rainfall is 3.56 inches above the ten year average for Hardin County without adding additional rain in the first half of October. Soybean harvest has begun in the county with farmers reporting lower yields than normal with dry moisture content. Some cornfields have been shelled as recent rains have presented an opportunity to switch to corn harvesting. Some wheat fields and cover crops have been planted following harvest of soybeans and are growing. Several farmers are spreading fall fertilizer on harvested soybean fields as well with some fall tillage operations taking place.

Editor: See attached table for your use.

Hardin County Extension Rainfall Report for September 2017 (recorded in inches)

Township	Reporter	Sept. 2017	Growing Season (from Apr. 15- 2017)
Blanchard Township	Crop Production Services	2.80	32.78
Buck Township	Heritage Coop./Kenton	2.25	26.26
Cessna Township	Steve Lowery	1.06	25.31
Dudley Township	Dale Rapp	1.65	23.20
Goshen Township	Brien Bros. Farm	2.92	26.97
Hale Township	Travis Ramsey	0.95	24.36
Jackson Township	Rick Weber	2.50	33.49
Liberty Township	Phil Epley	0.86	25.86
Lynn Township	Jan Layman	1.65	26.98
Marion Township	Mark Lowery	1.96	26.37
McDonald Township	Jerry Stout	1.37	24.82
Pleasant Township	Robert McBride	1.79	26.79
Roundhead Township	Mike Lautenschlager	1.40	27.60
Taylor Creek Township	Silver Creek Supply	1.85	26.14
Washington Township	Randy Preston	1.61	26.80
	Average	1.77	26.91