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### **Hardin County Extension News Release**

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## **Extension Rainfall Report for May 2015**

*Hardin County* – For the time period of May 1-May 31, Extension rainfall reporters recorded an average of 3.70 inches of rain in Hardin County. Last year, the average rainfall for the same time period was 3.51 inches. Rainfall for May 1-May 31, 2015 matches the 3.70 inches for the ten year average rainfall during the same dates.

Blanchard Township received 4.95 inches of rain for May 1-May 31, the most of any of the township sites. For the growing season since April 15, the average precipitation in the townships was 4.75 inches, with a wide range from 3.41 inches in Dudley Township reported by Dale Rapp, to 5.90 inches in Roundhead Township reported by Mike Lautenschlager.

Lower rainfall amounts in early May allowed good weather for farmers to get into the fields to plant corn and soybeans. Rainfall amounts increased towards the end of the month, slowing the completion of soybean planting and herbicide applications. Some farmers got an early start on nitrogen application to corn, but then were slowed by rains. Early crop growth was good in areas that were planted with adequate moisture and followed by warmer temperatures.

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*Editor: See attached table for your use.*

**Hardin County Extension Rainfall Report for May 1-May 31, 2015 (recorded in inches)**

Township	Reporter	May 2015	Growing Season (from Apr. 15-2015)
Blanchard Township	Crop Production Services	4.95	5.65
Buck Township	Heritage Cooperative/Kenton	4.13	5.12
Cessna Township	Steve Lowery	3.89	4.89
Dudley Township	Dale Rapp	2.07	3.41
Goshen Township	Brein Bros. Farm	2.77	3.53
Hale Township	Tim Ramsey	2.81	4.21
Jackson Township	Jim McVitty	4.52	5.47
Liberty Township	Phil Epley	4.63	5.67
Lynn Township	Jan Layman	3.75	4.99
Marion Township	Mark Lowery	3.02	4.32
McDonald Township	Jerry Stout	3.75	4.92
Pleasant Township	Robert McBride	4.03	4.95
Roundhead Township	Mike Lautenschlager	4.80	5.90
Taylor Creek Township	Silver Creek Supply	2.94	3.93
Washington Township	Randy Preston	3.38	4.34
	<b>Average</b>	<b>3.70</b>	<b>4.75</b>