

Crop Progress

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Note: These data are preliminary and will be released after 4:00 p.m. each Monday, except for holidays. See tomorrow's Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin for final progress and condition estimates.

**Corn: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998-2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	70	43	80	80
IL	79	73	51	79
IN	61	58	13	70
IA	79	64	93	90
KS	90	80	93	91
KY	76	71	54	79
MI	39	35	50	71
MN	91	85	88	88
MO	81	71	78	80
NE	77	46	91	89
NC	92	82	99	94
ND	68	58	68	64
OH	86	86	21	70
PA	55	41	55	62
SD	69	47	77	67
TN	90	86	95	94
TX	98	92	98	95
WI	61	42	53	74
18 Sts	77	64	70	81

¹ These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Corn: Percent Emerged,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998-2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	14	8	31	35
IL	61	41	32	57
IN	45	32	7	46
IA	38	12	41	56
KS	62	42	66	66
KY	67	62	47	67
MI	11	3	7	34
MN	34	7	12	49
MO	68	57	64	64
NE	31	13	47	50
NC	72	60	94	86
ND	19	12	7	22
OH	72	34	10	44
PA	30	9	26	31
SD	10	3	10	26
TN	87	83	88	84
TX	88	77	85	84
WI	16	3	12	36
18 Sts	43	24	32	51

¹ These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Soybeans: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	35	31	31	35
IL	21	10	10	43
IN	25	21	4	50
IA	19	6	51	54
KS	25	13	25	39
KY	11	6	5	25
LA	39	36	42	63
MI	11	8	23	39
MN	40	24	48	55
MS	78	73	71	73
MO	19	8	17	31
NE	22	6	41	46
NC	18	7	35	23
ND	18	10	30	28
OH	46	46	7	52
SD	15	7	26	28
TN	9	4	19	20
WI	20	8	27	36
18 Sts	25	16	28	44

¹ These 18 States planted 96% of last year's soybean acreage.

**Soybeans: Percent Emerged,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	28	NA	24	21
IL	5	NA	2	20
IN	12	NA	2	26
IA	2	NA	5	18
KS	11	NA	13	19
KY	0	NA	3	14
LA	33	NA	33	49
MI	2	NA	2	11
MN	2	NA	0	15
MS	70	NA	56	56
MO	6	NA	9	14
NE	3	NA	8	13
NC	5	NA	18	11
ND	3	NA	0	5
OH	31	NA	3	24
SD	1	NA	1	6
TN	0	NA	11	9
WI	3	NA	0	9
18 Sts	9	NA	6	18

¹ These 18 States planted 96% of last year's soybean acreage.

**Cotton: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	73	64	82	82
AZ	80	70	95	94
AR	60	51	74	79
CA	89	80	98	96
GA	62	41	70	64
LA	79	65	86	91
MS	82	73	80	84
MO	48	33	81	85
NC	66	42	81	75
OK	61	41	57	44
SC	43	24	73	65
TN	38	23	59	69
TX	44	33	48	44
VA	85	64	95	91
14 Sts	58	44	66	64

¹ These 14 States planted 98% of last year's cotton acreage.

**Winter Wheat: Percent Headed,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	99	97	100	100
CA	99	97	100	99
CO	29	11	31	30
ID	0	0	0	1
IL	85	68	76	81
IN	62	35	48	66
KS	88	65	76	80
MI	0	0	0	5
MO	89	69	82	80
MT	1	0	0	0
NE	10	1	15	19
NC	93	80	97	98
OH	17	3	13	33
OK	100	98	98	98
OR	9	0	27	11
SD	1	0	0	2
TX	93	85	89	90
WA	12	5	6	11
18 Sts	68	56	64	66

¹ These 18 States planted 90% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

**Peanuts: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	56	35	55	67
FL	50	25	61	57
GA	46	17	59	61
NC	70	32	70	65
OK	72	40	51	54
TX	56	32	50	50
VA	60	29	82	77
7 Sts	54	26	58	60

¹ These 7 States planted 98% of last year's peanut acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	92	84	93	87
CO	13	7	11	14
IL	3	2	3	19
KS	15	10	20	22
LA	75	62	77	85
MO	36	26	31	40
NE	8	2	18	25
NM	7	4	5	7
OK	21	16	30	20
SD	15	7	11	13
TX	53	52	56	55
11 Sts	31	27	35	36

¹ These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sugarbeets: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	100	99	100	99
MI	99	98	99	100
MN	94	88	84	86
ND	91	84	78	82
4 Sts	95	91	88	90

¹ These 4 States planted 81% of last year's sugarbeet acreage.

**Spring Wheat: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	90	84	96	95
MN	94	89	57	75
MT	74	61	67	84
ND	68	56	59	66
SD	99	97	97	95
WA	99	98	97	99
6 Sts	78	69	68	77

¹ These 6 States planted 99% of last year's spring wheat acreage.

**Spring Wheat: Percent Emerged,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	71	65	79	79
MN	70	43	27	54
MT	39	23	17	48
ND	49	35	18	40
SD	93	84	76	80
WA	90	84	88	92
6 Sts	57	41	30	52

¹ These 6 States planted 99% of last year's spring wheat acreage.

**Barley: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	87	80	93	91
MN	96	88	51	69
MT	75	61	74	87
ND	62	46	52	59
WA	99	98	99	99
5 Sts	75	63	70	77

¹ These 5 States planted 81% of last year's barley acreage.

**Barley: Percent Emerged,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	69	58	62	68
MN	63	34	29	51
MT	44	33	23	53
ND	38	25	8	31
WA	93	85	90	90
5 Sts	51	39	30	50

¹ These 5 States planted 81% of last year's barley acreage.

**Oats: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	100	100	100	99
MN	94	89	84	87
NE	99	96	100	99
ND	61	49	60	66
OH	100	100	83	95
PA	89	86	84	92
SD	98	92	94	92
WI	90	76	74	92
8 Sts	87	79	81	86

¹ These 8 States planted 53% of last year's oat acreage.

**Oats: Percent Emerged,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	91	83	97	95
MN	73	55	49	67
NE	93	86	96	94
ND	42	25	13	35
OH	99	79	73	89
PA	77	58	79	76
SD	88	73	68	73
WI	61	40	46	76
8 Sts	70	54	53	67

¹ These 8 States planted 53% of last year's oat acreage.

**Rice: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	93	91	92	90
CA	35	20	77	67
LA	96	93	96	97
MS	89	85	90	92
MO	75	69	55	81
TX	99	97	100	99
6 Sts	83	78	88	88

¹ These 6 States planted 100% of last year's rice acreage.

**Rice: Percent Emerged,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	May 18, 2003	May 11, 2003	May 18, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	87	77	82	75
CA	2	0	37	26
LA	91	84	91	93
MS	81	*71	79	78
MO	60	40	37	52
TX	96	92	98	94
6 Sts	72	64	74	70

* Revised.

¹ These 6 States planted 100% of last year's rice acreage.

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX	State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	0	3	24	55	18	NJ	0	0	0	89	11
AZ	15	35	32	15	3	NM	22	44	33	1	0
AR	1	5	32	50	12	NY	0	0	6	76	18
CA	0	0	15	55	30	NC	1	1	15	62	21
CO	10	31	36	17	6	ND	4	15	34	42	5
CT	0	15	18	48	19	OH	1	3	21	59	16
DE	0	5	24	65	6	OK	2	13	34	44	7
FL	5	15	40	35	5	OR	3	11	36	44	6
GA	0	2	18	68	12	PA	2	4	16	51	27
ID	0	1	25	59	15	RI	0	0	49	51	0
IL	0	1	18	61	20	SC	0	1	9	74	16
IN	0	3	20	60	17	SD	7	20	36	30	7
IA	0	1	16	53	30	TN	1	4	15	62	18
KS	13	23	33	25	6	TX	16	24	38	19	3
KY	0	3	14	52	31	UT	5	15	38	41	1
LA	2	13	45	37	3	VT	0	0	14	81	5
ME	2	13	31	48	6	VA	0	3	19	60	18
MD	0	3	26	49	22	WA	0	1	51	46	2
MA	0	0	10	46	44	WV	0	3	30	59	8
MI	2	9	27	52	10	WI	1	4	21	48	26
MN	2	5	25	59	9	WY	5	19	40	35	1
MS	3	11	29	48	9						
MO	0	7	28	53	12	48 Sts	5	12	29	42	12
MT	2	15	31	42	10	Prev Wk	6	12	31	41	10
NE	10	20	42	24	4	Prev Yr	9	16	30	37	8
NV	1	8	15	30	46						
NH	0	2	19	60	19						

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2002 planted acres.

**Winter Wheat: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	10	29	49	11
CA	0	0	30	60	10
CO	5	11	22	46	16
ID	0	0	4	73	23
IL	1	2	20	62	15
IN	1	2	15	56	26
KS	6	14	29	39	12
MI	0	4	30	60	6
MO	1	7	30	46	16
MT	2	4	17	59	18
NE	0	8	31	44	17
NC	1	13	28	54	4
OH	1	2	15	57	25
OK	5	11	30	41	13
OR	0	9	52	37	2
SD	1	6	21	50	22
TX	23	25	34	16	2
WA	2	7	19	52	20
18 Sts	7	12	28	41	12
Prev Wk	6	12	30	40	12
Prev Yr	16	20	31	29	4

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2002 planted acres.

Crop Progress and Condition Survey and Estimating Procedures

Survey Procedures: Crop progress and condition estimates are based on survey data that are collected each week from early April to the end of November. The Crop progress and condition surveys are non-probability surveys that include a sample of more than 5,000 reporters whose occupations provide them opportunities to make visual observations and frequently bring them in contact with farmers in their counties. Based on standard definitions, these reporters subjectively estimate progress of farmers' activities and progress of crops through their stages of development. They also provide subjective evaluations of crop conditions.

Most reporters complete their questionnaire on Friday or early Monday morning and submit it to the Agricultural Statistics Service's office in their State by mail, telephone, fax, e-mail, or through a secured internet website. A small number of reports are completed on Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday. Regardless of the time that the questionnaire is completed, reporters are asked to report for the week ending on Sunday. For reports submitted prior to the Sunday reference date, a degree of uncertainty is introduced into the projections for weekend progress and crop condition changes. By the end of the 2001 season, nearly two-thirds of the data were being submitted through the internet website. As a result, about one-half of all data are submitted on Monday morning, which has significantly reduced this projection uncertainty.

Reporters are sent written reporting instructions at the beginning of each season and are contacted periodically to ensure proper reporting. Terms and definitions of crop stages and condition categories that are used as reporting guidelines are available on the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) website at: www.usda.gov/nass/pubs/cwterms.htm.

Estimating Procedures: Reported data are reviewed for reasonableness and consistency by comparing with data reported the previous week and data reported in surrounding counties for the current week. Each State Statistical Office summarizes the reported data to district and State levels, weighting each county's reported data by NASS county acreage estimates. Summarized indications are compared with previous week estimates, and progress items are compared with earlier stages of development and historical averages to ensure reasonableness. Weather events and reporter comments are also taken into consideration. State estimates are submitted to the Agricultural Statistics Board (ASB) along with supporting comments, where they are compared with surrounding States and compiled into a National level summary by weighting each State by its acreage estimates.

Revision Policy: Progress and condition estimates in the "Crop Progress" report are released after 4:00 pm ET on the first business day of the week. These estimates are preliminary and subject to corrections or updates in the "Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin" National Summary that is released after 12:00 pm ET on the second business day of the week. These estimates are then subject to revision the following week.

The next "Crop Progress" report will be released after 4 p.m. ET on May 27, 2003.

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