

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 Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			1998-2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	54	29	32	41
IL	65	47	67	69
IN	35	24	42	53
IA	55	31	38	54
KS	87	80	84	85
KY	82	78	89	91
MI	18	8	33	36
MN	70	38	31	51
MO	83	75	90	82
NE	42	30	44	58
NC	97	94	78	89
ND	65	32	31	40
OH	20	13	35	37
PA	30	24	58	43
SD	44	32	32	40
TN	95	93	97	98
TX	92	90	95	96
WI	35	20	21	33
18 Sts	56	39	49	58

¹ These 18 States harvested 94% of last year's corn acreage.

Soybeans: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			1998-2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	43	35	38	48
IL	79	64	81	77
IN	64	44	75	74
IA	94	84	84	86
KS	33	23	68	70
KY	33	26	41	53
LA	69	62	59	82
MI	69	44	70	57
MN	98	89	72	88
MS	89	82	68	80
MO	39	28	63	59
NE	85	70	75	82
NC	8	3	10	14
ND	97	87	79	86
OH	64	46	72	75
SD	92	78	73	77
TN	32	20	34	41
WI	77	54	51	64
18 Sts	74	60	71	74

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	33	21	19	24
CA	10	9	14	11
CO	100	98	99	99
ID	95	87	95	88
IL	57	34	80	67
IN	59	38	70	64
KS	85	78	89	88
MI	77	57	88	81
MO	53	36	57	50
MT	98	92	96	91
NE	99	96	99	99
NC	22	20	18	23
OH	72	43	86	81
OK	87	78	87	77
OR	65	51	43	58
SD	97	93	96	94
TX	80	76	77	71
WA	98	92	96	95
18 Sts	82	74	82	79

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	16	7	8	8
CA	3	2	6	4
CO	84	73	85	85
ID	49	34	47	46
IL	26	6	46	32
IN	24	8	37	32
KS	63	50	67	61
MI	35	16	52	50
MO	31	14	30	24
MT	64	32	78	62
NE	91	82	90	90
NC	11	4	13	12
OH	24	3	53	48
OK	73	62	72	50
OR	32	23	14	31
SD	62	50	78	76
TX	60	50	59	45
WA	82	69	81	83
18 Sts	61	48	63	55

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

**Cotton: Percent Bolls Opening,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	95	94	99	97
AZ	100	99	100	100
AR	92	91	100	100
CA	100	94	99	100
GA	93	90	96	93
LA	100	99	100	100
MS	100	98	100	100
MO	91	87	100	100
NC	92	89	100	97
OK	97	95	97	96
SC	81	74	88	94
TN	95	89	100	100
TX	80	71	93	94
VA	81	72	100	94
14 Sts	89	83	96	96

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	39	24	35	51
AZ	21	15	39	34
AR	46	35	35	64
CA	20	7	46	26
GA	30	22	39	37
LA	81	70	57	82
MS	71	61	40	73
MO	37	27	49	66
NC	12	7	34	31
OK	22	17	29	43
SC	17	11	30	38
TN	32	24	39	68
TX	28	25	35	43
VA	11	4	46	38
14 Sts	35	28	38	48

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	96	93	92	96
CA	70	60	89	80
LA	99	99	99	100
MS	97	94	89	95
MO	92	84	78	86
TX	100	100	100	100
6 Sts	92	89	92	94

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	82	73	69	69
FL	90	80	83	82
GA	73	60	69	72
NC	47	28	61	58
OK	48	25	58	57
TX	17	9	28	37
VA	60	30	71	82
7 Sts	59	47	60	63

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	35	20	30	40
MI	26	6	22	37
MN	98	72	87	90
ND	99	77	98	94
4 Sts	75	53	69	73

¹ These 4 States harvested 82% of last year's sugarbeets acreage.

**Sunflowers: Percent Harvested,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	40	25	34	23
KS	46	35	42	65
ND	63	32	27	36
SD	67	50	54	55
4 Sts	61	36	34	42

¹ These 4 States harvested 91% of last year's sunflowers acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	100	100	99	99
IL	99	98	100	100
KS	97	95	100	100
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	100	99	100	100
NE	100	100	100	100
NM	100	96	100	100
OK	97	95	93	98
SD	100	100	100	100
TX	88	85	99	100
11 Sts	95	92	99	100

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	94	90	83	89
IL	95	93	99	97
KS	74	64	85	96
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	94	86	99	98
NE	98	96	99	97
NM	54	46	69	77
OK	86	80	88	90
SD	100	98	94	97
TX	73	67	89	93
11 Sts	78	71	88	94

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2003	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 19, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	99	98	98	99
CO	41	30	34	36
IL	33	13	77	66
KS	37	26	47	67
LA	100	100	96	99
MO	67	57	81	76
NE	49	34	54	59
NM	12	6	17	20
OK	54	44	74	58
SD	82	68	45	59
TX	62	61	75	82
11 Sts	52	45	62	73

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

**Corn: 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>
CO	5	9	21	50	15
IL	2	6	24	52	16
IN	4	8	23	47	18
IA	6	15	36	36	7
KS	20	25	34	18	3
KY	1	4	21	37	37
MI	2	9	29	46	14
MN	5	11	32	43	9
MO	23	24	29	19	5
NE	14	13	22	31	20
NC	1	5	29	45	20
ND	7	19	33	35	6
OH	2	5	20	48	25
PA	4	9	23	40	24
SD	9	13	21	44	13
TN	2	3	15	56	24
TX	17	19	32	28	4
WI	9	20	39	30	2
18 Sts	7	12	28	40	13
Prev Wk	7	13	29	39	12
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Cotton: 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>
AL	2	5	23	63	7
AZ	2	9	25	20	44
AR	1	5	22	49	23
CA	0	0	15	55	30
GA	1	7	27	48	17
LA	0	1	15	56	28
MS	4	6	13	47	30
MO	2	7	36	41	14
NC	3	6	48	41	2
OK	7	17	45	24	7
SC	0	3	26	66	5
TN	0	3	15	61	21
TX	18	24	35	17	6
VA	1	8	31	46	14
14 Sts	8	13	29	36	14
Prev Wk	8	12	31	36	13
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Sorghum: 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	0	4	22	54	20
CO	10	44	37	7	2
IL	1	19	38	35	7
KS	23	35	29	12	1
LA	0	2	34	59	5
MO	6	22	41	27	4
NE	20	30	37	13	0
NM	20	38	36	4	2
OK	4	29	37	29	1
SD	34	16	24	23	3
TX	10	24	34	27	5
11 Sts	16	29	32	20	3
Prev Wk	16	29	32	20	3
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Peanuts: 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>
AL	2	4	22	56	16
FL	1	1	18	55	25
GA	0	2	22	57	19
NC	0	0	35	60	5
OK	0	11	39	44	6
TX	1	7	31	41	20
VA	1	4	23	55	17
7 Sts	1	4	26	51	18
Prev Wk	1	3	25	52	19
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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

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

**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	4	9	35	50	2	NJ	0	0	55	45	0
AZ	20	22	22	25	11	NM	47	32	20	1	0
AR	1	10	30	52	7	NY	0	7	31	50	12
CA	45	45	10	0	0	NC	0	3	25	67	5
CO	12	28	40	20	0	ND	29	35	26	10	0
CT	0	0	57	37	6	OH	2	4	20	55	19
DE	1	2	14	69	14	OK	6	18	35	33	8
FL	0	0	20	75	5	OR	16	44	36	4	0
GA	1	13	40	41	5	PA	5	15	20	48	12
ID	13	48	36	3	0	RI	0	0	9	79	12
IL	3	13	46	33	5	SC	0	12	19	64	5
IN	2	8	26	57	7	SD	22	33	29	15	1
IA	30	29	31	10	0	TN	0	4	21	61	14
KS	24	28	32	14	2	TX	9	15	32	31	13
KY	1	2	22	58	17	UT	9	26	44	21	0
LA	1	10	46	42	1	VT	7	30	54	8	1
ME	0	12	29	39	20	VA	0	2	19	56	23
MD	3	6	22	48	21	WA	9	27	48	16	0
MA	0	4	23	73	0	WV	0	2	37	53	8
MI	8	33	38	20	1	WI	22	30	28	20	0
MN	21	29	38	12	0	WY	12	23	44	20	1
MS	2	14	32	44	8						
MO	4	14	39	37	6	48 Sts	15	22	29	28	6
MT	42	34	19	5	0						
NE	35	32	25	8	0	Prev Wk	14	22	30	29	5
NV	8	39	42	11	0	Prev Yr	21	21	31	24	3
NH	0	2	29	30	39						

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.

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

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