

Crop Progress

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Corn: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			1998-2002 Avg.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	86	81	64	76
IL	90	81	90	90
IN	68	52	76	80
IA	91	78	74	85
KS	97	93	95	97
KY	95	89	96	97
MI	44	27	71	64
MN	97	91	68	86
MO	94	88	95	92
NE	82	59	63	82
NC	99	98	83	94
ND	95	86	68	80
OH	53	36	72	69
PA	49	38	73	63
SD	87	70	53	71
TN	99	98	99	100
TX	99	96	99	99
WI	70	52	47	66
18 Sts	85	72	75	83

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

Soybeans: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			1998-2002 Avg.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	77	63	58	75
IL	95	90	95	95
IN	93	84	92	92
IA	100	98	98	97
KS	77	55	81	90
KY	68	60	60	79
LA	92	83	67	92
MI	94	88	95	85
MN	99	99	90	97
MS	97	92	78	91
MO	77	58	79	84
NE	98	95	89	95
NC	17	14	14	27
ND	100	100	95	97
OH	93	82	91	93
SD	100	97	91	95
TN	61	47	46	68
WI	96	92	77	89
18 Sts	91	85	87	91

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.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	72	54	42	59
CA	25	20	34	28
CO	100	100	100	100
ID	100	99	100	98
IL	94	79	97	94
IN	94	88	93	92
KS	96	92	96	96
MI	97	94	100	97
MO	79	66	77	78
MT	99	99	99	98
NE	100	100	100	100
NC	42	28	26	40
OH	94	87	98	96
OK	96	93	92	87
OR	83	76	78	87
SD	100	100	100	99
TX	89	84	86	82
WA	100	99	99	99
18 Sts	92	88	90	89

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.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	52	30	30	35
CA	10	6	14	12
CO	90	87	97	95
ID	73	58	64	72
IL	64	47	83	74
IN	74	56	75	73
KS	84	71	86	85
MI	78	63	83	80
MO	59	43	61	55
MT	84	80	80	77
NE	98	96	98	99
NC	23	13	19	22
OH	74	52	85	83
OK	86	81	85	71
OR	49	40	26	53
SD	81	75	92	87
TX	74	67	76	63
WA	91	85	91	94
18 Sts	79	70	79	75

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.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	100	98	100	100
AZ	100	100	100	100
AR	98	96	100	100
CA	100	100	100	100
GA	97	95	98	97
LA	100	100	100	100
MS	100	100	100	100
MO	100	93	100	100
NC	98	96	100	100
OK	98	98	100	99
SC	92	88	97	99
TN	97	96	100	100
TX	94	89	96	97
VA	95	89	100	99
14 Sts	97	94	98	98

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	67	53	48	70
AZ	45	31	62	57
AR	75	63	64	86
CA	65	40	78	61
GA	48	41	50	58
LA	98	93	64	90
MS	92	85	59	88
MO	70	52	66	84
NC	34	28	46	52
OK	50	42	38	59
SC	37	28	44	58
TN	59	47	56	85
TX	39	34	42	54
VA	40	29	65	57
14 Sts	55	46	52	65

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	94	99
CO	100	100	98	100
IL	100	97	100	99
KS	93	84	91	98
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	99	96	100	100
NE	100	100	100	100
NM	65	58	97	94
OK	90	89	90	94
SD	100	100	100	100
TX	84	78	94	97
11 Sts	91	85	94	98

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	68	51	66	66
IL	71	51	94	92
KS	69	51	59	86
LA	100	100	98	100
MO	84	76	90	90
NE	85	64	75	87
NM	27	19	30	42
OK	70	64	77	74
SD	96	90	77	83
TX	70	65	79	87
11 Sts	72	61	71	86

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	94	90	84	88
FL	98	95	96	96
GA	92	86	85	91
NC	88	77	77	81
OK	88	71	73	78
TX	48	29	40	55
VA	96	85	88	96
7 Sts	83	73	75	82

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	90	49	75	81
MI	94	77	85	80
MN	99	99	98	99
ND	100	100	100	100
4 Sts	97	86	92	93

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

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

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Nov 2, 2003	Oct 26, 2003	Nov 2, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	82	66	59	57
KS	83	65	63	86
ND	96	87	56	76
SD	90	81	79	83
4 Sts	93	83	62	77

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

**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	2	27	57	13
CA	0	0	15	80	5
CO	10	21	36	28	5
ID	0	6	29	63	2
IL	0	1	25	64	10
IN	1	2	19	70	8
KS	2	15	28	46	9
MI	0	2	38	51	9
MO	0	0	22	71	7
MT	6	21	54	18	1
NE	3	14	42	34	7
NC	0	3	10	86	1
OH	0	3	25	56	16
OK	9	12	21	48	10
OR	0	30	54	15	1
SD	11	22	37	27	3
TX	12	13	34	32	9
WA	3	6	57	34	0
18 Sts	6	13	32	41	8
Prev Wk	5	12	30	44	9
Prev Yr	2	6	34	48	10

**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	1	6	24	58	11
AZ	1	8	24	21	46
AR	1	5	22	47	25
CA	0	0	10	60	30
GA	0	7	24	47	22
LA	0	1	15	56	28
MS	4	6	13	47	30
MO	2	6	32	43	17
NC	2	8	31	52	7
OK	9	16	40	29	6
SC	0	3	22	69	6
TN	0	3	13	61	23
TX	17	22	35	20	6
VA	0	4	30	51	15
14 Sts	8	12	27	38	15
Prev Wk	8	12	28	37	15
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	43	42	2	NJ	0	0	49	51	0
AZ	23	22	21	24	10	NM	49	34	16	1	0
AR	2	10	34	47	7	NY	2	10	28	43	17
CA	50	45	5	0	0	NC	0	6	23	65	6
CO	22	30	38	10	0	ND	29	40	22	9	0
CT	0	2	50	44	4	OH	2	5	25	53	15
DE	0	6	18	71	5	OK	8	21	38	31	2
FL	0	0	30	70	0	OR	12	34	45	9	0
GA	2	13	45	36	4	PA	5	28	15	42	10
ID	13	50	34	3	0	RI	0	1	8	81	10
IL	4	16	38	37	5	SC	0	13	21	63	3
IN	2	7	29	54	8	SD	22	35	29	13	1
IA	32	31	26	10	1	TN	0	5	24	60	11
KS	25	26	32	14	3	TX	10	15	31	32	12
KY	1	4	22	61	12	UT	13	31	41	15	0
LA	2	16	56	24	2	VT	0	27	55	17	1
ME	0	7	25	50	18	VA	1	4	21	55	19
MD	2	5	23	48	22	WA	9	33	46	12	0
MA	0	4	23	73	0	WV	0	3	25	55	17
MI	10	27	37	24	2	WI	16	38	35	11	0
MN	22	32	35	11	0	WY	12	27	45	16	0
MS	4	18	31	42	5						
MO	6	15	38	35	6	48 Sts	16	23	29	27	5
MT	44	34	18	4	0						
NE	31	29	30	10	0	Prev Wk	16	23	29	27	5
NV	15	25	37	23	0	Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NH	0	3	24	38	35						

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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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