

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.

Soybeans: Percent Dropping Leaves, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			1999-2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	44	34	26	33
IL	62	37	43	54
IN	78	60	50	66
IA	64	31	62	54
KS	59	35	58	62
KY	37	20	24	47
LA	66	59	53	64
MI	15	6	39	45
MN	29	10	80	66
MS	91	85	76	76
MO	40	24	27	37
NE	57	21	44	52
NC	15	8	17	17
ND	27	8	71	67
OH	58	38	46	65
SD	60	38	80	72
TN	38	28	31	38
WI	27	10	51	43
18 Sts	52	30	53	56

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

Soybeans: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			1999-2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	26	NA	12	10
IL	11	NA	3	5
IN	14	NA	4	6
IA	3	NA	4	4
KS	6	NA	2	11
KY	1	NA	0	4
LA	47	NA	31	33
MI	0	NA	1	2
MN	0	NA	8	7
MS	73	NA	56	44
MO	4	NA	1	3
NE	6	NA	2	4
NC	0	NA	0	0
ND	0	NA	4	5
OH	6	NA	1	5
SD	0	NA	2	3
TN	8	NA	2	4
WI	0	NA	0	0
18 Sts	8	NA	5	6

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	75	59	95	87
IL	97	95	95	97
IN	95	92	86	94
IA	92	81	96	96
KS	99	93	99	99
KY	98	95	98	99
MI	55	38	70	80
MN	66	40	98	97
MO	98	95	97	98
NE	90	78	94	97
NC	100	100	99	99
ND	54	34	97	95
OH	90	85	83	88
PA	87	83	57	74
SD	75	55	97	94
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	99	98	99	98
WI	43	31	82	80
18 Sts	85	75	93	94

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	17	9	47	38
IL	72	46	55	71
IN	64	48	34	59
IA	38	17	67	71
KS	76	58	84	81
KY	82	77	84	91
MI	10	3	15	32
MN	1	0	66	49
MO	85	74	87	88
NE	32	11	43	57
NC	97	94	92	93
ND	3	0	56	43
OH	31	17	12	35
PA	55	34	18	29
SD	19	7	45	44
TN	95	86	95	97
TX	84	78	91	92
WI	5	1	30	29
18 Sts	43	27	54	60

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	1	0	4	3
IL	10	3	7	11
IN	8	3	4	8
IA	2	0	4	6
KS	22	13	39	40
KY	38	27	36	45
MI	0	0	1	3
MN	0	0	3	1
MO	30	20	40	42
NE	4	1	5	9
NC	66	56	66	49
ND	0	0	2	0
OH	1	0	1	3
PA	21	10	1	9
SD	0	0	2	3
TN	60	32	52	67
TX	66	62	73	71
WI	0	0	0	1
18 Sts	9	5	10	12

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	5	3	16	18
FL	25	20	26	26
GA	7	5	10	14
NC	4	0	1	4
OK	2	1	2	2
TX	4	1	2	8
VA	15	6	4	5
7 Sts	8	5	10	13

¹ These 7 States harvested 97% of last year's peanut acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	0	1	1
CA	3	2	2	1
CO	62	36	53	47
ID	18	8	22	19
IL	1	0	2	1
IN	3	1	3	3
KS	21	8	18	14
MI	9	2	9	10
MO	3	1	0	1
MT	44	22	19	23
NE	48	28	55	50
NC	5	0	0	3
OH	0	0	1	1
OK	34	21	32	24
OR	2	2	11	5
SD	39	19	37	34
TX	34	25	35	28
WA	48	28	52	55
18 Sts	29	16	27	23

¹ These 18 States planted 91% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	NA	0	0
CA	0	NA	0	0
CO	18	NA	13	12
ID	2	NA	1	3
IL	0	NA	0	0
IN	0	NA	0	0
KS	3	NA	3	4
MI	0	NA	0	0
MO	0	NA	0	0
MT	3	NA	0	1
NE	14	NA	21	16
NC	1	NA	0	0
OH	0	NA	0	0
OK	8	NA	9	8
OR	0	NA	0	0
SD	6	NA	5	8
TX	10	NA	9	9
WA	24	NA	17	26
18 Sts	7	NA	6	7

¹ These 18 States planted 91% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	64	40	75	76
AZ	90	83	92	94
AR	71	52	73	82
CA	80	65	54	62
GA	77	64	64	71
LA	81	60	86	91
MS	84	78	80	92
MO	63	51	51	71
NC	83	73	45	57
OK	73	60	66	59
SC	61	48	31	52
TN	54	42	50	81
TX	35	26	43	60
VA	82	78	39	46
14 Sts	58	46	55	69

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	2	0	2	7
AZ	4	0	3	7
AR	2	0	4	5
CA	0	0	0	0
GA	4	2	4	7
LA	6	2	12	23
MS	7	2	15	18
MO	2	0	0	12
NC	1	1	0	1
OK	0	0	0	2
SC	1	0	0	4
TN	2	1	1	9
TX	17	16	18	20
VA	3	0	0	1
14 Sts	8	7	10	13

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	97	100	100
CO	51	43	86	70
IL	99	98	83	91
KS	78	65	79	90
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	95	91	89	93
NE	82	67	81	89
NM	55	44	64	69
OK	68	55	80	78
SD	84	72	95	93
TX	75	69	70	87
11 Sts	78	68	78	88

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	95	89	98	96
CO	13	10	46	24
IL	78	69	16	51
KS	25	15	33	50
LA	100	100	99	100
MO	56	38	48	64
NE	15	6	25	43
NM	5	4	5	7
OK	40	36	45	45
SD	28	14	33	35
TX	61	57	59	77
11 Sts	41	34	45	59

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	80	68	74	80
CO	0	0	1	1
IL	3	1	0	6
KS	6	3	11	22
LA	99	96	92	90
MO	19	10	21	29
NE	1	0	1	11
NM	0	0	0	0
OK	21	14	21	26
SD	3	0	3	6
TX	56	54	56	69
11 Sts	29	26	31	41

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	53	32	51	52
CA	30	15	12	14
LA	97	93	92	91
MS	73	57	61	55
MO	29	8	18	26
TX	98	95	93	96
6 Sts	59	43	52	53

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	97	95	99	97
MN	69	50	99	96
MT	84	74	100	92
ND	76	67	100	93
SD	100	100	100	100
WA	99	99	100	100
6 Sts	81	72	100	94

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

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	94	90	97	97
MN	88	77	99	97
MT	94	90	99	93
ND	91	86	100	96
WA	100	100	100	100
5 Sts	93	88	99	96

¹ These 5 States harvested 85% of last year's barley acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	100	100	100	100
MN	99	95	99	99
NE	100	100	100	100
ND	85	80	100	97
OH	100	100	100	100
PA	100	100	100	100
SD	100	100	100	100
WI	100	100	100	100
8 Sts	96	94	100	99

¹ These 8 States harvested 66% of last year's oat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 19, 2004	Sep 12, 2004	Sep 19, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	2	NA	1	2
MI	0	NA	0	0
MN	4	NA	7	6
ND	4	NA	7	6
4 Sts	3	NA	5	4

¹ These 4 States harvested 84% of last year's sugarbeets acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Sep 19, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	3	5	14	41	37
IL	1	2	13	57	27
IN	3	4	14	48	31
IA	2	7	17	50	24
KS	3	7	16	49	25
KY	1	3	14	40	42
MI	5	13	34	35	13
MN	3	9	36	44	8
MO	1	4	14	53	28
NE	3	6	20	46	25
NC	1	2	20	60	17
ND	6	17	33	37	7
OH	3	9	26	44	18
PA	0	1	15	47	37
SD	4	8	22	46	20
TN	0	2	9	47	42
TX	0	2	13	49	36
WI	6	20	21	40	13
18 Sts	3	7	20	47	23
Prev Wk	3	7	21	47	22
Prev Yr	9	15	30	36	10

**Soybeans: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Sep 19, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	7	22	45	25
IL	1	4	18	54	23
IN	3	5	19	50	23
IA	3	9	21	49	18
KS	1	6	18	56	19
KY	0	3	15	48	34
LA	5	21	36	32	6
MI	4	8	36	41	11
MN	5	12	42	36	5
MS	0	5	15	45	35
MO	2	7	26	51	14
NE	4	12	29	43	12
NC	1	2	17	70	10
ND	4	13	35	41	7
OH	4	11	28	42	15
SD	2	8	24	50	16
TN	2	5	13	54	26
WI	3	11	28	45	13
18 Sts	3	8	25	47	17
Prev Wk	3	8	26	48	15
Prev Yr	9	18	33	33	7

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Sep 19, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	10	15	28	44	3
AZ	1	6	21	46	26
AR	0	5	24	45	26
CA	0	0	0	35	65
GA	10	19	40	26	5
LA	7	19	39	35	0
MS	2	6	23	51	18
MO	0	0	19	62	19
NC	0	3	26	60	11
OK	2	2	38	44	14
SC	0	7	29	60	4
TN	0	1	12	61	26
TX	4	5	19	50	22
VA	0	0	23	56	21
14 Sts	4	7	23	46	20
Prev Wk	3	6	23	47	21
Prev Yr	8	13	30	36	13

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Sep 19, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	2	35	51	11
CO	1	14	34	44	7
IL	0	1	9	68	22
KS	3	11	26	46	14
LA	0	6	52	42	0
MO	0	3	24	59	14
NE	4	12	43	35	6
NM	0	22	44	33	1
OK	0	3	15	62	20
SD	16	21	38	17	8
TX	1	7	24	49	19
11 Sts	2	9	27	47	15
Prev Wk	3	9	28	45	15
Prev Yr	16	30	31	20	3

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2003 planted acres.

**Rice: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Sep 19, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	2	21	45	32
CA	0	0	35	40	25
LA	0	7	34	48	11
MS	0	1	11	59	29
MO	1	2	10	51	36
TX	0	2	34	54	10
6 Sts	0	2	25	47	26
Prev Wk	0	2	25	47	26
Prev Yr	1	3	24	47	25

**Peanuts: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Sep 19, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	10	15	42	30	3
FL	0	0	25	35	40
GA	3	10	34	46	7
NC	0	3	21	72	4
OK	0	4	13	71	12
TX	2	2	9	51	36
VA	0	0	10	65	25
7 Sts	3	7	27	47	16
Prev Wk	2	6	26	46	20
Prev Yr	1	3	24	55	17

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Sep 19, 2004**

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	5	10	30	50	5	NJ	0	0	7	93	0
AZ	23	33	20	18	6	NM	9	17	49	24	1
AR	6	19	44	25	6	NY	1	6	23	52	18
CA	55	45	0	0	0	NC	1	2	14	65	18
CO	5	20	34	37	4	ND	18	19	31	29	3
CT	0	0	8	92	0	OH	2	5	28	51	14
DE	0	1	16	63	20	OK	2	7	25	50	16
FL	5	5	50	25	15	OR	4	15	42	33	6
GA	0	5	31	56	8	PA	7	11	14	53	15
ID	1	12	41	44	2	RI	0	0	20	80	0
IL	1	5	31	53	10	SC	0	3	28	64	5
IN	1	9	26	53	11	SD	15	20	29	29	7
IA	3	9	23	44	21	TN	0	4	17	62	17
KS	7	21	34	32	6	TX	3	11	31	42	13
KY	1	4	23	52	20	UT	3	10	36	46	5
LA	12	25	41	21	1	VT	1	22	24	42	11
ME	0	0	3	50	47	VA	1	2	15	55	27
MD	0	7	28	44	21	WA	2	9	34	55	0
MA	0	0	15	79	6	WV	1	9	27	48	15
MI	7	18	40	29	6	WI	4	12	39	40	5
MN	2	10	38	43	7	WY	42	27	18	9	4
MS	5	9	29	52	5	48 Sts	10	15	29	37	9
MO	4	9	27	51	9	Prev Wk	9	14	29	39	9
MT	21	26	33	16	4	Prev Yr	15	22	31	27	5
NE	20	30	31	19	0						
NV	23	31	28	17	1						
NH	0	1	21	65	13						

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2003 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.

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