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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 Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	59	40	46	36
IL	70	39	54	45
IN	57	33	63	47
IA	45	26	72	47
KS	36	18	29	33
KY	43	16	19	20
LA	59	47	59	55
MI	58	25	31	28
MN	28	17	68	46
MS	91	79	92	77
MO	43	21	38	31
NE	36	15	47	36
NC	24	9	20	18
ND	19	15	39	24
OH	63	27	50	48
SD	12	9	33	22
TN	31	13	16	17
WI	39	29	21	27
18 Sts	46	26	51	39

¹ These 18 States planted 95% of last year's soybean acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	36	NA	36	25
IL	15	NA	21	18
IN	12	NA	28	21
IA	4	NA	19	13
KS	9	NA	8	14
KY	0	NA	5	9
LA	47	NA	49	43
MI	5	NA	14	8
MN	1	NA	6	7
MS	80	NA	86	65
MO	15	NA	13	12
NE	5	NA	12	10
NC	6	NA	8	9
ND	0	NA	2	2
OH	9	NA	18	20
SD	1	NA	3	3
TN	9	NA	7	6
WI	1	NA	0	5
18 Sts	11	NA	17	14

¹ These 18 States planted 95% of last year's soybean acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	60	33	74	70
IL	98	94	98	84
IN	89	76	92	70
IA	96	90	97	86
KS	92	80	93	91
KY	93	85	92	80
MI	83	62	64	57
MN	89	78	97	82
MO	95	90	96	87
NE	89	74	94	84
NC	96	92	97	95
ND	69	64	82	63
OH	90	70	79	74
PA	73	52	65	60
SD	73	59	86	67
TN	97	89	98	94
TX	92	84	96	95
WI	76	59	67	61
18 Sts	89	79	91	79

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	17	7	35	25
IL	79	52	82	66
IN	51	24	67	50
IA	41	14	68	50
KS	57	36	57	63
KY	66	56	78	68
MI	13	3	32	24
MN	10	1	50	35
MO	79	62	84	72
NE	32	10	60	44
NC	86	65	90	84
ND	4	2	22	20
OH	28	11	46	46
PA	17	8	29	27
SD	7	2	33	19
TN	80	64	92	87
TX	75	68	79	82
WI	12	3	18	23
18 Sts	41	23	59	48

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	98	93	98	99
CA	99	99	99	99
CO	24	12	50	28
ID	0	0	0	0
IL	80	40	85	80
IN	43	12	60	56
KS	69	35	86	76
MI	0	0	3	2
MO	75	48	85	81
MT	0	0	0	0
NE	4	0	33	17
NC	92	78	95	95
OH	2	1	11	15
OK	98	92	99	98
OR	23	8	26	14
SD	0	0	3	1
TX	89	76	90	88
WA	29	14	10	8
18 Sts	59	44	67	62

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	73	57	77	77
AZ	90	87	81	87
AR	77	54	66	68
CA	98	88	100	96
GA	38	19	53	56
KS	8	3	0	2
LA	92	74	84	83
MS	87	65	86	82
MO	93	75	68	74
NC	70	40	70	67
OK	27	3	48	48
SC	56	34	60	53
TN	72	27	44	54
TX	34	24	41	39
14 Sts	55	39	57	57

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	84	77	78	86
CO	18	10	14	12
IL	43	14	32	21
KS	11	5	17	20
LA	86	78	84	79
MO	46	24	41	43
NE	15	6	16	15
NM	3	0	9	5
OK	27	21	25	24
SD	10	4	15	9
TX	50	49	58	54
11 Sts	26	21	31	31

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	41	10	42	48
FL	30	12	37	43
GA	25	9	42	43
NC	32	19	52	57
OK	55	27	60	53
TX	41	11	49	49
VA	39	10	49	62
7 Sts	32	11	44	47

¹ These 7 States planted 96% of last year's peanut acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	93	88	91	91
CA	54	29	66	60
LA	96	92	95	96
MS	98	93	95	88
MO	94	88	91	79
TX	98	97	99	99
6 Sts	87	79	88	86

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	67	51	81	78
CA	10	1	28	20
LA	89	80	91	91
MS	86	71	89	76
MO	60	32	78	59
TX	95	90	95	95
6 Sts	63	50	75	70

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	88	86	99	94
MN	93	80	96	74
MT	89	75	92	77
ND	84	76	83	64
SD	100	98	100	94
WA	100	99	100	98
6 Sts	89	80	90	74

¹ These 6 States planted 98% of last year's spring wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	73	57	80	76
MN	43	20	57	45
MT	48	25	50	37
ND	48	32	54	37
SD	96	82	94	78
WA	82	80	95	88
6 Sts	55	38	61	46

¹ These 6 States planted 98% of last year's spring wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	75	74	94	92
MN	94	76	89	71
MT	86	74	94	80
ND	82	71	79	56
WA	96	91	100	98
5 Sts	83	74	88	73

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	57	38	67	67
MN	42	15	41	41
MT	51	23	72	47
ND	40	23	46	28
WA	69	64	96	87
5 Sts	48	28	60	45

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	100	100	100	100
MN	97	81	94	85
NE	100	99	100	98
ND	85	76	83	64
OH	99	94	91	94
PA	98	94	88	89
SD	100	96	100	91
TX	100	100	100	100
WI	94	87	98	87
9 Sts	96	91	95	88

¹ These 9 States planted 67% of last year's oat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	May 15, 2005	May 8, 2005	May 15, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	99	96	97	94
MN	67	42	74	60
NE	95	89	96	90
ND	53	34	55	34
OH	75	63	59	80
PA	66	43	55	67
SD	86	67	88	73
TX	100	100	100	100
WI	56	43	74	61
9 Sts	78	66	81	72

¹ These 9 States planted 67% of last year's oat acreage.

**Winter Wheat: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States
Week Ending May 15, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	9	45	39	7
CA	0	7	9	35	49
CO	1	10	27	38	24
ID	0	1	4	73	22
IL	1	6	26	55	12
IN	2	6	24	56	12
KS	2	10	35	43	10
MI	1	2	25	63	9
MO	2	8	38	46	6
MT	3	10	35	44	8
NE	2	6	38	45	9
NC	0	3	27	60	10
OH	1	3	19	56	21
OK	4	15	42	32	7
OR	2	7	37	49	5
SD	1	6	28	49	16
TX	4	16	36	35	9
WA	1	3	19	65	12
18 Sts	2	10	33	44	11
Prev Wk	2	9	30	47	12
Prev Yr	8	16	31	38	7

**Oats: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending May 15, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	0	3	20	61	16
MN	1	2	23	69	5
NE	0	2	28	56	14
ND	0	1	29	65	5
OH	1	3	24	58	14
PA	0	4	24	60	12
SD	0	4	33	53	10
TX	5	17	42	32	4
WI	1	3	25	58	13
8 Sts	1	6	30	55	8
Prev Wk	2	8	35	49	6
Prev Yr	2	7	33	48	10

**Rice: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending May 15, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	3	6	34	47	10
CA	0	0	51	49	0
LA	0	4	52	38	6
MS	0	1	21	73	5
MO	0	6	22	71	1
TX	0	2	19	69	10
6 Sts	1	4	37	51	7
Prev Wk	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Prev Yr	1	4	31	52	12

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2004 planted acres.

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending May 15, 2005**

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	1	2	24	63	10	NJ	0	0	69	31	0
AZ	3	19	37	27	14	NM	0	7	33	60	0
AR	1	6	36	49	8	NY	1	6	28	52	13
CA	0	0	15	40	45	NC	1	4	22	67	6
CO	2	13	33	44	8	ND	4	12	44	36	4
CT	0	9	51	27	13	OH	1	5	23	53	18
DE	0	2	24	57	17	OK	4	16	36	37	7
FL	0	5	35	55	5	OR	3	3	25	59	10
GA	0	4	29	60	7	PA	2	9	42	36	11
ID	0	0	15	56	29	RI	0	0	0	60	40
IL	1	3	22	61	13	SC	0	1	28	59	12
IN	0	3	22	64	11	SD	9	19	33	34	5
IA	0	3	16	61	20	TN	0	4	23	61	12
KS	1	9	38	47	5	TX	4	15	39	33	9
KY	1	4	29	54	12	UT	0	2	14	68	16
LA	7	20	50	23	0	VT	2	8	53	35	2
ME	0	14	25	49	12	VA	1	6	32	52	9
MD	0	14	20	50	16	WA	8	20	26	45	1
MA	0	5	21	50	24	WV	0	13	37	48	2
MI	2	8	34	42	14	WI	2	10	40	42	6
MN	1	7	33	52	7	WY	6	22	41	25	6
MS	2	6	38	46	8						
MO	2	7	37	49	5	48 Sts	3	9	33	44	11
MT	9	21	48	19	3						
NE	2	10	34	46	8	Prev Wk	3	11	31	45	10
NV	0	0	7	67	26	Prev Yr	7	14	28	41	10
NH	0	3	32	53	12						

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2004 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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