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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 Setting Pods,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	96	93	95	92
IL	98	96	97	96
IN	99	96	98	95
IA	99	97	99	99
KS	90	84	86	90
KY	82	75	86	85
LA	99	97	100	98
MI	100	98	86	91
MN	99	99	94	98
MS	100	100	100	100
MO	95	86	91	88
NE	100	98	98	99
NC	75	65	75	67
ND	100	99	98	100
OH	100	100	96	95
SD	96	88	97	98
TN	99	97	94	90
WI	97	92	81	88
18 Sts	97	94	95	95

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

**Soybeans: Percent Dropping Leaves,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	22	NA	20	12
IL	4	NA	4	3
IN	4	NA	10	9
IA	2	NA	1	2
KS	2	NA	3	17
KY	6	NA	4	4
LA	45	NA	39	30
MI	1	NA	0	1
MN	1	NA	0	2
MS	53	NA	60	42
MO	2	NA	3	3
NE	1	NA	2	5
NC	2	NA	1	2
ND	1	NA	0	4
OH	7	NA	4	5
SD	11	NA	14	19
TN	19	NA	8	8
WI	0	NA	0	0
18 Sts	6	NA	6	7

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	50	35	39	69
IL	97	92	96	94
IN	94	87	95	90
IA	91	76	78	83
KS	97	94	94	97
KY	99	90	99	97
MI	86	80	47	47
MN	90	69	34	70
MO	97	95	96	96
NE	95	87	91	93
NC	99	95	100	96
ND	87	64	29	79
OH	91	76	90	84
PA	81	66	79	72
SD	86	68	72	82
TN	100	99	100	100
TX	99	99	97	98
WI	69	58	42	58
18 Sts	91	80	77	84

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	20	10	11	31
IL	74	59	75	66
IN	61	43	65	56
IA	58	33	35	50
KS	68	61	69	75
KY	85	63	84	86
MI	46	23	8	12
MN	57	21	6	31
MO	88	80	84	82
NE	69	50	44	59
NC	89	82	95	87
ND	28	7	2	39
OH	48	20	47	36
PA	44	21	43	34
SD	49	20	16	38
TN	96	93	99	94
TX	89	80	90	91
WI	26	11	5	14
18 Sts	61	40	44	52

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	2	0	0	3
IL	10	4	13	13
IN	8	2	13	9
IA	5	2	2	7
KS	25	18	20	32
KY	50	25	50	47
MI	3	0	0	0
MN	1	0	0	1
MO	53	33	37	39
NE	3	1	1	8
NC	65	39	77	61
ND	0	0	0	3
OH	1	0	3	2
PA	11	2	7	6
SD	2	0	1	6
TN	43	27	55	54
TX	68	66	73	69
WI	1	0	0	0
18 Sts	11	6	10	12

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	97	89	100	100
AZ	100	95	100	100
AR	100	100	100	100
CA	97	91	100	99
GA	100	98	100	100
KS	68	68	84	85
LA	100	100	100	100
MS	100	100	100	100
MO	100	100	99	100
NC	99	96	100	100
OK	97	95	97	97
SC	91	86	97	94
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	95	85	92	95
14 Sts	97	91	96	98

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	13	5	17	28
AZ	40	30	58	60
AR	42	18	13	24
CA	17	13	39	27
GA	9	4	28	29
KS	2	0	8	4
LA	35	19	39	53
MS	29	18	37	49
MO	14	8	11	22
NC	9	1	31	19
OK	2	0	19	16
SC	15	10	19	19
TN	12	5	14	24
TX	18	18	20	26
14 Sts	19	14	24	29

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	98	93	92	96
CA	87	66	94	91
LA	100	99	100	100
MS	99	97	100	97
MO	97	95	93	92
TX	100	100	100	100
6 Sts	97	90	95	96

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	2	1	3	5
CA	1	0	3	1
LA	63	55	74	75
MS	2	0	10	8
MO	2	0	1	1
TX	71	52	70	78
6 Sts	16	13	19	20

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	99	99	100	100
CO	91	81	77	77
IL	99	96	98	97
KS	91	86	84	89
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	98	96	98	97
NE	98	95	93	93
NM	89	74	62	66
OK	81	69	81	81
SD	100	99	94	96
TX	90	85	88	89
11 Sts	92	86	86	89

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	97	94	94	95
CO	26	13	15	15
IL	71	51	74	61
KS	43	31	32	49
LA	97	95	100	98
MO	72	53	63	65
NE	47	28	24	40
NM	10	1	10	17
OK	48	36	40	48
SD	34	24	38	48
TX	57	56	60	72
11 Sts	48	39	42	55

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	63	38	69	69
CO	2	0	1	1
IL	13	1	8	4
KS	4	3	3	12
LA	85	74	94	90
MO	11	4	9	18
NE	0	0	0	2
NM	3	0	2	0
OK	12	8	17	20
SD	1	0	0	3
TX	52	51	52	59
11 Sts	20	18	20	26

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000- 2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	61	36	67	72
MN	76	54	32	75
MT	71	50	46	63
ND	73	56	40	66
SD	100	96	97	99
WA	84	73	88	87
6 Sts	76	59	50	71

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

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

State	Week Ending			2000- 2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	55	34	64	70
MN	98	96	47	82
MT	70	53	58	69
ND	88	81	55	77
WA	90	74	87	84
5 Sts	78	65	60	74

¹ These 5 States harvested 83% of last year's barley acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2000- 2004 Avg.
	Aug 28, 2005	Aug 21, 2005	Aug 28, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	100	100	100	100
MN	98	90	78	92
NE	100	100	100	100
ND	87	76	60	78
OH	100	100	96	99
PA	100	95	93	90
SD	100	97	99	100
TX	100	100	100	100
WI	100	98	89	94
9 Sts	98	93	87	93

¹ These 9 States harvested 73% of last year's oat acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Aug 28, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	3	9	29	43	16
IL	26	31	30	12	1
IN	6	16	37	35	6
IA	3	8	20	48	21
KS	4	14	37	41	4
KY	4	12	28	41	15
MI	3	8	24	49	16
MN	2	6	21	48	23
MO	22	22	24	26	6
NE	5	9	21	47	18
NC	1	8	24	49	18
ND	2	5	19	48	26
OH	7	15	36	34	8
PA	4	11	28	44	13
SD	6	11	25	42	16
TN	2	8	31	47	12
TX	12	16	31	30	11
WI	6	16	29	38	11
18 Sts	8	14	26	39	13
Prev Wk	9	14	27	37	13
Prev Yr	2	7	21	49	21

**Soybeans: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Aug 28, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	11	20	35	29	5
IL	10	22	40	26	2
IN	4	11	34	44	7
IA	2	6	21	51	20
KS	2	10	38	45	5
KY	5	7	27	45	16
LA	0	15	35	40	10
MI	4	7	27	49	13
MN	2	5	24	47	22
MS	5	8	21	56	10
MO	13	21	36	24	6
NE	4	11	28	42	15
NC	1	12	25	52	10
ND	1	5	19	51	24
OH	4	13	32	39	12
SD	2	10	26	45	17
TN	5	12	30	44	9
WI	6	12	30	42	10
18 Sts	5	12	30	41	12
Prev Wk	5	12	31	41	11
Prev Yr	3	8	25	48	16

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Aug 28, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	5	7	17	56	15
AZ	0	3	25	63	9
AR	1	4	21	53	21
CA	0	1	8	72	19
GA	1	4	24	58	13
KS	1	6	39	45	9
LA	0	15	35	45	5
MS	2	8	25	54	11
MO	9	12	24	49	6
NC	4	8	39	45	4
OK	8	9	22	57	4
SC	0	3	17	72	8
TN	0	4	26	52	18
TX	5	8	26	46	15
14 Sts	3	7	25	51	14
Prev Wk	3	8	26	50	13
Prev Yr	2	6	21	46	25

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Aug 28, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	5	19	39	32	5
CO	4	23	40	31	2
IL	7	18	21	48	6
KS	3	14	42	36	5
LA	0	10	35	45	10
MO	13	24	41	20	2
NE	4	11	30	45	10
NM	0	20	44	35	1
OK	0	3	26	45	26
SD	1	8	39	51	1
TX	7	9	33	42	9
11 Sts	4	12	37	40	7
Prev Wk	6	15	38	36	5
Prev Yr	2	7	26	49	16

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

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

**Rice: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Aug 28, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	2	6	31	44	17
CA	0	3	57	36	4
LA	0	0	34	48	18
MS	0	2	14	71	13
MO	0	1	17	57	25
TX	0	1	31	51	17
6 Sts	1	4	34	46	15
Prev Wk	1	3	33	49	14
Prev Yr	0	2	27	48	23

**Peanuts: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Aug 28, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	0	3	16	54	27
FL	0	0	18	64	18
GA	1	5	22	54	18
NC	3	8	21	64	4
OK	0	2	23	67	8
TX	0	1	21	52	26
VA	0	5	18	70	7
7 Sts	1	4	20	56	19
Prev Wk	0	3	20	58	19
Prev Yr	2	5	30	47	16

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Aug 28, 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	16	56	25	NJ	0	30	55	15	0
AZ	13	26	37	20	4	NM	3	18	35	39	5
AR	32	36	24	8	0	NY	20	37	29	14	0
CA	20	38	41	1	0	NC	1	7	19	65	8
CO	11	25	38	23	3	ND	1	9	27	53	10
CT	37	35	24	4	0	OH	19	24	34	21	2
DE	0	0	16	77	7	OK	7	16	34	39	4
FL	0	5	40	50	5	OR	3	11	43	40	3
GA	0	3	21	66	10	PA	40	26	20	13	1
ID	1	12	37	39	11	RI	60	35	5	0	0
IL	27	27	31	15	0	SC	0	2	30	58	10
IN	14	24	41	20	1	SD	7	13	30	44	6
IA	11	24	35	28	2	TN	6	22	39	31	2
KS	7	17	41	33	2	TX	10	22	36	28	4
KY	22	31	31	14	2	UT	0	4	22	59	15
LA	7	21	43	26	3	VT	0	11	42	39	8
ME	1	10	26	60	3	VA	4	15	35	38	8
MD	2	8	35	40	15	WA	13	29	37	21	0
MA	1	15	57	27	0	WV	10	12	36	38	4
MI	11	27	34	24	4	WI	11	22	36	28	3
MN	5	11	36	40	8	WY	3	11	37	44	5
MS	15	26	36	20	3						
MO	29	32	26	12	1	48 Sts	11	20	34	31	4
MT	4	15	39	37	5	Prev Wk	11	21	33	31	4
NE	6	17	37	37	3	Prev Yr	8	14	27	41	10
NV	0	0	12	64	24						
NH	2	3	21	58	16						

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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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