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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 <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	32	22	25	19
IL	15	4	15	11
IN	15	4	27	21
IA	12	2	7	8
KS	9	2	14	31
KY	11	6	9	9
LA	50	45	50	39
MI	8	1	0	4
MN	8	1	2	10
MS	65	53	71	54
MO	7	2	9	9
NE	5	1	6	12
NC	5	2	4	5
ND	8	1	1	12
OH	12	7	19	15
SD	30	11	27	32
TN	37	19	16	15
WI	13	0	3	1
18 Sts	15	6	14	15

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 95% of last year's soybean acreage.

**Cotton: Percent Bolls Opening, Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AL	28	13	27	43
AZ	50	40	69	73
AR	61	42	27	44
CA	23	17	49	39
GA	20	9	48	44
KS	3	2	18	10
LA	60	35	46	67
MS	55	29	54	63
MO	25	14	29	38
NC	25	9	53	30
OK	10	2	38	30
SC	27	15	32	28
TN	29	12	24	42
TX	21	18	22	34
VA	72	60	66	33
15 Sts	30	19	34	40

<sup>1</sup> These 15 States planted 99% of last year's cotton acreage.

**Corn: Percent Dough,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	62	50	61	84
IL	99	97	99	98
IN	98	94	99	96
IA	97	91	89	93
KS	99	97	97	99
KY	100	99	100	99
MI	95	86	65	66
MN	98	90	68	90
MO	100	97	99	99
NE	97	95	94	97
NC	100	99	100	99
ND	93	87	53	89
OH	96	91	95	92
PA	88	81	89	82
SD	96	86	83	91
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	99	99	99	99
WI	89	69	54	72
18 Sts	96	91	87	93

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Corn: Percent Dented,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	34	20	24	48
IL	88	74	85	80
IN	78	61	80	73
IA	82	58	59	73
KS	86	68	80	87
KY	88	85	90	93
MI	76	46	23	27
MN	78	57	18	57
MO	94	88	90	90
NE	84	69	61	76
NC	93	89	98	93
ND	53	28	11	58
OH	68	48	66	54
PA	62	44	67	52
SD	72	49	32	57
TN	99	96	100	99
TX	92	89	92	94
WI	57	26	13	30
18 Sts	79	61	59	69

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Corn: Percent Mature,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	6	2	2	10
IL	28	10	25	25
IN	19	8	25	20
IA	15	5	8	20
KS	42	25	34	51
KY	57	50	59	64
MI	19	3	0	2
MN	5	1	0	6
MO	68	53	57	58
NE	7	3	3	15
NC	81	65	89	76
ND	4	0	0	9
OH	5	1	5	5
PA	23	11	23	14
SD	6	2	3	11
TN	67	43	70	75
TX	72	68	75	78
WI	7	1	0	1
18 Sts	20	11	16	22

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Headed,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	99	100	100
CO	96	91	87	86
IL	99	99	99	98
KS	97	91	90	94
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	100	98	99	99
NE	100	98	97	97
NM	94	89	71	75
OK	88	81	85	87
SD	100	100	99	99
TX	94	90	91	92
11 Sts	96	92	91	93

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Coloring,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	99	97	95	97
CO	32	26	27	31
IL	89	71	83	75
KS	60	43	44	65
LA	99	97	100	99
MO	83	72	82	78
NE	74	47	35	56
NM	30	10	14	26
OK	56	48	44	57
SD	61	34	66	67
TX	60	57	65	77
11 Sts	61	48	52	67

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Mature,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	76	63	79	84
CO	4	2	5	6
IL	40	13	33	17
KS	5	4	8	22
LA	91	85	98	96
MO	36	11	24	32
NE	1	0	2	9
NM	4	3	2	1
OK	20	12	27	32
SD	4	1	3	8
TX	54	52	55	66
11 Sts	23	20	24	35

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Rice: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	8	2	10	13
CA	2	1	7	3
LA	82	63	86	81
MS	5	2	26	19
MO	2	2	4	3
TX	91	71	82	86
6 Sts	24	16	27	27

<sup>1</sup> These 6 States harvested 100% of last year's rice acreage.

**Spring Wheat: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	84	61	80	86
MN	94	76	39	82
MT	84	71	67	76
ND	89	73	51	77
SD	100	100	100	100
WA	96	84	97	96
6 Sts	90	76	62	81

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

**Barley: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2000-2004 Avg.
	Sep 4, 2005	Aug 28, 2005	Sep 4, 2004	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	75	55	75	84
MN	99	98	63	90
MT	84	70	78	81
ND	97	88	71	86
WA	97	90	96	96
5 Sts	90	78	75	85

<sup>1</sup> These 5 States harvested 83% of last year's barley acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 4, 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	25	32	29	14	0
IN	6	15	37	36	6
IA	3	8	21	46	22
KS	4	14	34	43	5
KY	4	8	30	47	11
MI	3	8	26	45	18
MN	2	6	21	52	19
MO	23	20	24	27	6
NE	5	9	23	45	18
NC	1	11	25	38	25
ND	2	5	22	46	25
OH	6	14	36	36	8
PA	4	11	29	42	14
SD	6	14	28	43	9
TN	2	9	31	46	12
TX	12	16	31	30	11
WI	10	16	22	43	9
18 Sts	9	14	26	39	12
Prev Wk	8	14	26	39	13
Prev Yr	3	7	21	49	20

**Soybeans: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 4, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	10	20	35	30	5
IL	12	21	40	26	1
IN	3	11	34	43	9
IA	2	6	21	50	21
KS	2	11	36	45	6
KY	1	10	29	49	11
LA	2	16	30	44	8
MI	4	7	30	42	17
MN	2	6	22	50	20
MS	7	13	25	49	6
MO	13	20	35	27	5
NE	4	11	29	43	13
NC	4	17	25	41	13
ND	1	6	20	49	24
OH	3	10	32	45	10
SD	3	17	27	41	12
TN	4	9	30	46	11
WI	8	15	27	40	10
18 Sts	5	12	29	42	12
Prev Wk	5	12	30	41	12
Prev Yr	3	9	26	47	15

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 4, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	1	7	16	63	13
AZ	0	6	25	65	4
AR	1	4	22	52	21
CA	0	0	20	56	24
GA	1	3	23	58	15
KS	1	4	27	59	9
LA	1	12	23	51	13
MS	11	16	22	45	6
MO	8	12	21	54	5
NC	6	18	30	40	6
OK	8	9	25	53	5
SC	0	4	16	73	7
TN	0	3	25	54	18
TX	6	10	23	45	16
VA	0	5	20	65	10
15 Sts	4	9	23	50	14
Prev Wk	3	7	25	51	14
Prev Yr	3	5	22	48	22

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 4, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	5	20	40	30	5
CO	4	23	41	31	1
IL	3	17	23	49	8
KS	3	13	41	37	6
LA	1	10	31	48	10
MO	13	22	40	23	2
NE	3	10	30	44	13
NM	0	15	43	41	1
OK	0	4	28	44	24
SD	7	12	38	42	1
TX	7	9	33	42	9
11 Sts	4	12	37	39	8
Prev Wk	4	12	37	40	7
Prev Yr	2	9	25	48	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 Sep 4, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	2	7	31	43	17
CA	1	3	71	21	4
LA	0	0	34	48	18
MS	5	12	15	63	5
MO	0	1	17	58	24
TX	0	1	31	51	17
6 Sts	1	5	37	43	14
Prev Wk	1	4	34	46	15
Prev Yr	0	2	25	47	26

**Peanuts: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 4, 2005**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	0	1	18	53	28
FL	0	1	29	50	20
GA	1	6	22	53	18
NC	5	10	16	64	5
OK	0	1	29	61	9
TX	1	2	21	52	24
VA	0	5	8	80	7
7 Sts	1	4	21	55	19
Prev Wk	1	4	20	56	19
Prev Yr	2	4	29	48	17

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 4, 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	0	1	20	56	23	NJ	0	45	50	5	0
AZ	21	23	34	17	5	NM	4	16	31	45	4
AR	31	37	24	8	0	NY	21	29	39	11	0
CA	35	50	14	1	0	NC	3	7	26	60	4
CO	10	25	39	23	3	ND	2	7	29	53	9
CT	32	33	30	5	0	OH	13	19	36	29	3
DE	1	2	42	53	2	OK	5	15	37	37	6
FL	0	5	40	50	5	OR	7	25	45	23	0
GA	0	2	19	68	11	PA	32	30	21	14	3
ID	1	13	38	38	10	RI	50	50	0	0	0
IL	29	27	29	14	1	SC	0	2	27	58	13
IN	8	23	45	23	1	SD	10	18	27	40	5
IA	16	24	32	25	3	TN	4	15	42	36	3
KS	7	17	40	34	2	TX	10	25	35	26	4
KY	13	26	34	26	1	UT	0	4	19	63	14
LA	11	37	38	10	4	VT	10	14	38	33	5
ME	2	10	15	70	3	VA	4	20	34	35	7
MD	2	10	37	43	8	WA	10	25	33	32	0
MA	1	7	63	29	0	WV	13	11	38	34	4
MI	11	26	32	27	4	WI	10	32	35	20	3
MN	5	14	34	41	6	WY	3	12	38	42	5
MS	15	26	36	20	3						
MO	27	32	26	14	1	48 Sts	12	22	32	30	4
MT	6	19	39	32	4						
NE	13	17	31	36	3	Prev Wk	11	20	34	31	4
NV	0	0	12	54	34	Prev Yr	9	14	27	40	10
NH	2	3	22	71	2						

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](http://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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