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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.

Corn: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			2001-2005 Avg.
	Nov 19, 2006	Nov 12, 2006	Nov 19, 2005	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	93	81	94	90
IL	97	95	100	98
IN	85	79	99	96
IA	96	93	98	97
KS	98	97	99	99
KY	99	99	100	100
MI	70	65	96	87
MN	99	99	99	96
MO	98	97	98	98
NE	93	87	98	94
NC	100	100	100	99
ND	100	98	97	90
OH	78	68	89	91
PA	83	75	95	88
SD	97	91	99	93
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	100	100	99	100
WI	86	75	89	84
18 Sts	94	90	98	95

¹ These 18 States harvested 95% of last year's corn acreage.

Soybeans: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			2001-2005 Avg.
	Nov 19, 2006	Nov 12, 2006	Nov 19, 2005	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	94	91	99	92
IL	99	98	100	99
IN	94	91	100	99
IA	100	100	100	100
KS	98	96	99	95
KY	77	72	96	92
LA	100	100	100	95
MI	92	87	100	98
MN	100	100	99	99
MS	100	100	100	97
MO	92	88	99	93
NE	100	98	100	100
NC	45	34	62	52
ND	100	100	100	99
OH	95	89	97	97
SD	100	100	100	100
TN	92	90	100	86
WI	100	96	100	98
18 Sts	96	94	99	97

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

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

State	Week Ending			2001- 2005 Avg.
	Nov 19, 2006	Nov 12, 2006	Nov 19, 2005	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	77	67	82	71
CA	30	15	24	29
CO	100	100	100	100
ID	99	96	88	91
IL	90	85	98	96
IN	86	73	99	95
KS	98	94	98	95
MI	71	67	100	97
MO	79	71	89	80
MT	95	89	95	93
NE	100	100	100	100
NC	56	36	45	44
OH	77	70	97	97
OK	90	85	96	93
OR	83	82	73	80
SD	100	100	97	98
TX	85	81	75	81
WA	98	97	94	96
18 Sts	92	87	91	91

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

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

State	Week Ending			2001- 2005 Avg.
	Nov 19, 2006	Nov 12, 2006	Nov 19, 2005	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	78	74	99	97
FL	99	96	100	99
GA	92	88	98	98
NC	99	97	100	98
OK	93	*82	97	86
SC	99	93	100	99
TX	94	85	93	80
VA	98	94	100	98
8 Sts	92	87	98	95

* Revised.

¹ These 8 States harvested 98% of last year's peanut acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2001- 2005 Avg.
	Nov 19, 2006	Nov 12, 2006	Nov 19, 2005	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	95	86	95	93
KS	92	82	96	92
ND	100	96	95	93
SD	96	89	99	95
4 Sts	97	91	96	93

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

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

State	Week Ending			2001- 2005 Avg.
	Nov 19, 2006	Nov 12, 2006	Nov 19, 2005	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	89	86	86	80
AZ	66	60	72	72
AR	91	88	100	94
CA	95	87	88	92
GA	83	77	80	76
KS	50	30	65	43
LA	99	97	100	96
MS	100	100	100	96
MO	72	71	100	92
NC	77	70	85	78
OK	80	*64	65	62
SC	71	58	79	72
TN	89	86	99	89
TX	60	48	59	58
VA	80	70	86	80
15 Sts	76	*68	78	74

* Revised.

¹ These 15 States harvested 99% of last year's cotton acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2001- 2005 Avg.
	Nov 19, 2006	Nov 12, 2006	Nov 19, 2005	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	70	55	98	87
IL	97	96	99	97
KS	92	81	96	90
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	98	97	99	96
NE	96	92	100	96
NM	53	32	35	53
OK	75	*51	79	82
SD	98	94	100	98
TX	85	79	85	85
11 Sts	89	*79	91	88

* Revised.

¹ These 11 States harvested 98% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Winter Wheat: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States
Week Ending Nov 19, 2006**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	5	28	57	10
CA	0	0	17	72	11
CO	2	4	20	34	40
ID	0	0	4	82	14
IL	1	10	36	50	3
IN	2	11	43	40	4
KS	2	5	38	46	9
MI	11	19	34	32	4
MO	0	8	45	44	3
MT	0	4	34	46	16
NE	0	3	38	52	7
NC	0	5	5	80	10
OH	5	17	44	31	3
OK	10	11	34	35	10
OR	0	0	24	65	11
SD	1	3	34	52	10
TX	2	8	42	38	10
WA	1	5	25	66	3
18 Sts	3	6	34	46	11
Prev Wk	2	6	33	46	13
Prev Yr	4	8	33	46	9

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2005 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 National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) Field 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 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 Field 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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