

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.

Corn: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹					Cotton: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹				
State	Week Ending			2002-2006 Avg.	State	Week Ending			2002-2006 Avg.
	Nov 18, 2007	Nov 11, 2007	Nov 18, 2006			Nov 18, 2007	Nov 11, 2007	Nov 18, 2006	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	99	92	91	88	AL	91	87	89	81
IL	100	99	97	98	AZ	70	65	65	69
IN	98	96	84	93	AR	100	98	91	91
IA	97	93	96	96	CA	93	81	94	92
KS	100	100	98	98	GA	68	56	82	75
KY	100	99	99	100	KS	65	55	47	40
MI	90	83	69	82	LA	100	99	99	95
MN	99	97	99	95	MS	99	99	100	95
MO	98	95	98	97	MO	100	100	72	85
NE	97	92	92	92	NC	91	90	76	75
NC	100	100	100	98	OK	63	55	78	63
ND	97	91	100	89	SC	91	81	69	68
OH	95	89	77	87	TN	99	98	89	86
PA	87	76	82	86	TX	60	51	58	54
SD	94	87	96	92	VA	95	90	79	76
TN	100	100	100	100					
TX	100	100	100	99	15 Sts	80	74	77	74
WI	92	83	84	82					
18 Sts	97	94	93	94					

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

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

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

State	Week Ending			2002- 2006 Avg. <i>Percent</i>
	Nov 18, 2007	Nov 11, 2007	Nov 18, 2006	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	
AR	65	52	76	69
CA	22	15	28	26
CO	100	100	100	100
ID	91	84	99	91
IL	98	97	89	94
IN	99	97	84	93
KS	91	86	97	95
MI	99	97	70	93
MO	82	74	78	78
MT	98	96	96	95
NE	100	100	100	100
NC	33	15	53	43
OH	100	100	76	93
OK	79	74	89	93
OR	80	69	83	76
SD	100	100	100	98
TX	65	64	84	81
WA	93	91	98	96
18 Sts	85	82	90	90

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

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

State	Week Ending			2002- 2006 Avg. <i>Percent</i>
	Nov 18, 2007	Nov 11, 2007	Nov 18, 2006	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	98	91	68	82
IL	100	99	97	97
KS	97	91	90	88
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	97	94	98	95
NE	98	92	95	95
NM	97	88	50	45
OK	89	79	72	77
SD	100	95	97	97
TX	96	95	84	82
11 Sts	97	92	87	86

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

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

State	Week Ending			2002- 2006 Avg. <i>Percent</i>
	Nov 18, 2007	Nov 11, 2007	Nov 18, 2006	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	
AL	84	78	77	94
FL	96	95	99	99
GA	89	80	91	96
NC	100	98	99	98
OK	95	91	91	86
SC	100	99	98	98
TX	95	85	93	79
VA	100	100	97	97
8 Sts	91	85	91	94

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

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

State	Week Ending			2002- 2006 Avg. <i>Percent</i>
	Nov 18, 2007	Nov 11, 2007	Nov 18, 2006	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	
CO	99	95	94	91
KS	100	97	91	90
ND	97	91	99	92
SD	91	78	95	94
4 Sts	96	88	97	92

¹ These 4 States harvested 87% of last year's sunflower acreage.

**Winter Wheat: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States
Week Ending Nov 18, 2007**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	1	36	52	11
CA	0	0	8	83	9
CO	5	10	24	48	13
ID	0	0	15	74	11
IL	0	1	37	50	12
IN	0	2	15	67	16
KS	5	18	37	37	3
MI	0	1	13	72	14
MO	0	3	33	59	5
MT	1	4	59	33	3
NE	1	5	40	50	4
NC	0	4	19	73	4
OH	0	1	12	62	25
OK	9	13	40	36	2
OR	0	11	39	47	3
SD	1	3	25	58	13
TX	19	28	37	15	1
WA	0	2	49	48	1
18 Sts	6	13	36	40	5
Prev Wk	5	11	35	42	7
Prev Yr	3	6	34	46	11

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2006 planted acres.

Crop Progress and Condition Survey and Estimating Procedures

Survey Procedures: Crop progress and condition estimates are based on survey data collected each week from early April through the end of November. The non-probability crop progress and condition surveys include input from 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 various stages of development. They also provide subjective evaluations of crop conditions.

Most reporters complete their questionnaires on Friday or early Monday morning and submit them to the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) Field Offices in their States 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 when questionnaires are 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 by projections for weekend changes in progress and condition. 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, significantly reducing 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 used as reporting guidelines are available on the NASS website at:

www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/National_Crop_Progress/terms_definitions.asp.

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* that is released after 12:00 pm ET on the second business day of the week. These estimates are subject to revision the following week.

Crop Progress and Condition tables expected next week:

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Peanuts - Harvested
Winter Wheat - Emerged, Condition

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