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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.

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

State	Week Ending			2002-2006 Avg.
	Nov 25, 2007	Nov 18, 2007	Nov 25, 2006	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AL	95	91	94	88
AZ	75	70	71	74
AR	100	100	96	96
CA	100	93	97	96
GA	79	68	87	82
KS	70	65	54	48
LA	100	100	100	98
MS	100	99	100	99
MO	100	100	87	93
NC	95	91	80	82
OK	69	63	83	71
SC	98	91	74	78
TN	99	99	92	92
TX	69	60	69	62
VA	100	95	89	84
15 Sts	86	80	83	80

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.
	Nov 25, 2007	Nov 18, 2007	Nov 25, 2006	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	81	65	85	80
CA	30	22	33	35
CO	100	100	100	100
ID	96	91	100	95
IL	99	98	97	98
IN	100	99	90	96
KS	96	91	99	97
MI	100	99	74	95
MO	92	82	84	88
MT	100	98	96	95
NE	100	100	100	100
NC	48	33	62	53
OH	100	100	88	97
OK	83	79	92	95
OR	94	80	88	84
SD	100	100	100	100
TX	70	65	88	85
WA	97	93	99	97
18 Sts	89	85	93	93

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

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

State	Week Ending			2002- 2006 Avg.
	Nov 25, 2007	Nov 18, 2007	Nov 25, 2006	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	90	84	86	97
FL	97	96	99	99
GA	96	89	97	99
NC	100	100	100	99
OK	95	95	96	90
SC	100	100	100	100
TX	98	95	97	88
VA	100	100	100	99
8 Sts	96	91	96	97

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

**Winter Wheat: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States
Week Ending Nov 25, 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	37	49	13
CA	0	0	14	83	3
CO	5	10	24	48	13
ID	0	0	16	74	10
IL	0	1	37	50	12
IN	0	2	20	67	11
KS	2	13	42	40	3
MI	0	6	11	65	18
MO	0	3	33	59	5
MT	1	3	59	35	2
NE	1	6	38	50	5
NC	0	11	32	53	4
OH	0	1	12	62	25
OK	13	17	36	31	3
OR	0	8	44	47	1
SD	1	5	27	52	15
TX	22	31	36	11	0
WA	1	4	53	39	3
18 Sts	6	13	37	39	5
Prev Wk	6	13	36	40	5
Prev Yr	3	8	36	43	10

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:
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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.

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