

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 Planted, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	82	55	77	75
IL	75	60	97	94
IN	68	61	89	82
IA	78	46	88	92
KS	87	65	87	92
KY	73	69	95	90
MI	84	70	74	70
MN	67	32	95	92
MO	55	34	81	90
NE	83	55	87	89
NC	97	95	100	97
ND	80	55	79	75
OH	52	50	94	89
PA	57	50	71	70
SD	55	27	68	77
TN	90	85	99	96
TX	94	85	96	96
WI	56	29	85	75
18 Sts	73	51	88	88

¹ These 18 States planted 91% of last year's corn acreage.

Corn: Percent Emerged, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	28	12	25	27
IL	34	12	81	78
IN	35	19	57	57
IA	18	2	57	57
KS	41	22	56	64
KY	54	40	83	77
MI	34	12	33	31
MN	3	0	71	46
MO	27	15	61	78
NE	25	5	50	51
NC	93	65	95	89
ND	9	1	41	26
OH	28	14	59	59
PA	28	12	30	34
SD	5	1	30	25
TN	68	52	96	91
TX	80	68	77	82
WI	7	0	44	26
18 Sts	26	11	59	56

¹ These 18 States planted 91% of last year's corn acreage.

Rice: Percent Planted, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	75	68	92	94
CA	90	65	81	55
LA	98	96	96	96
MS	83	81	97	95
MO	85	69	94	91
TX	99	99	94	98
6 Sts	84	74	91	87

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

Rice: Percent Emerged, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	55	42	83	85
CA	35	20	41	20
LA	94	90	89	92
MS	75	67	91	90
MO	58	25	80	77
TX	95	92	86	94
6 Sts	60	48	76	74

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

**Soybeans: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	30	23	49	50
IL	15	7	66	53
IN	23	19	63	51
IA	34	4	50	53
KS	21	4	20	30
KY	12	9	33	29
LA	71	64	77	63
MI	51	32	31	39
MN	25	3	74	52
MS	74	65	92	90
MO	12	5	29	37
NE	26	6	39	45
NC	20	10	22	24
ND	54	12	44	36
OH	22	21	76	63
SD	18	2	20	26
TN	17	9	42	30
WI	22	6	53	37
18 Sts	27	11	52	47

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	96	100	99
CA	99	99	100	99
CO	26	14	35	40
ID	0	0	5	3
IL	45	17	85	87
IN	36	13	51	59
KS	46	19	77	86
MI	0	0	1	2
MO	57	34	86	89
MT	0	0	0	0
NE	1	0	26	24
NC	98	97	96	96
OH	5	1	26	22
OK	97	88	98	99
OR	4	0	18	20
SD	0	0	3	2
TX	85	71	93	93
WA	6	4	15	19
18 Sts	49	36	63	66

¹ These 18 States planted 90% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	76	60	74	78
AZ	80	70	92	88
AR	67	54	86	77
CA	99	99	100	96
GA	50	32	36	55
KS	5	0	7	13
LA	89	78	85	86
MS	37	21	86	85
MO	78	53	92	75
NC	70	34	79	77
OK	37	10	26	43
SC	56	29	57	61
TN	24	15	83	61
TX	36	27	33	43
VA	50	40	81	86
15 Sts	49	36	55	59

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	71	61	97	90
CO	10	7	21	20
IL	1	0	35	30
KS	10	5	8	16
LA	94	91	96	87
MO	20	11	30	45
NE	19	1	23	22
NM	10	5	9	9
OK	24	19	39	30
SD	16	2	20	18
TX	69	68	68	61
11 Sts	38	34	39	39

¹ These 11 States planted 95% of last year's sorghum acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	93	85	95	93
MN	91	67	97	92
MT	93	83	89	87
ND	94	81	91	83
SD	96	86	97	99
WA	98	91	100	99
6 Sts	94	81	92	88

¹ These 6 States planted 99% of last year's spring wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	67	46	74	74
MN	39	9	74	63
MT	52	24	52	50
ND	50	23	65	57
SD	78	41	85	92
WA	81	62	94	89
6 Sts	54	25	67	62

¹ These 6 States planted 99% of last year's spring wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	84	73	92	87
MN	84	65	97	90
MT	94	81	91	88
ND	93	75	92	81
WA	97	86	99	98
5 Sts	92	77	92	86

¹ These 5 States planted 82% of last year's barley acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	58	37	70	65
MN	24	6	72	57
MT	51	30	62	59
ND	45	17	65	50
WA	74	58	89	84
5 Sts	50	26	67	58

¹ These 5 States planted 82% of last year's barley acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	93	82	99	100
MN	84	65	96	95
NE	97	94	99	100
ND	93	81	90	82
OH	100	88	100	98
PA	97	96	93	94
SD	93	83	96	98
TX	100	100	100	100
WI	83	49	97	96
9 Sts	94	83	96	95

¹ These 9 States planted 66% of last year's oat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	58	32	90	95
MN	40	16	80	76
NE	90	66	94	96
ND	48	23	60	55
OH	87	62	90	88
PA	88	64	60	71
SD	68	40	79	86
TX	100	100	100	100
WI	42	21	80	75
9 Sts	70	52	83	82

¹ These 9 States planted 66% of last year's oat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	36	22	45	52
FL	62	44	39	40
GA	44	20	27	41
NC	56	25	60	56
OK	52	35	45	56
SC	49	24	44	57
TX	70	48	55	56
VA	24	17	54	60
8 Sts	50	28	39	47

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

**Sugarbeets: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	100	98	100	100
MI	100	99	99	100
MN	93	72	99	95
ND	97	85	99	95
4 Sts	96	83	99	97

¹ These 4 States planted 83% of last year's sugarbeet acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	May 18, 2008	May 11, 2008	May 18, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	14	5	15	6
KS	2	0	0	8
ND	21	6	28	17
SD	3	0	4	6
4 Sts	15	4	19	13

¹ These 4 States planted 86% of last year's sunflower acreage.

**Winter Wheat: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States
Week Ending May 18, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	6	15	39	35	5
CA	1	1	5	52	41
CO	19	30	32	18	1
ID	0	1	14	77	8
IL	1	6	28	53	12
IN	1	5	21	54	19
KS	7	14	36	33	10
MI	1	4	23	59	13
MO	6	11	39	39	5
MT	14	26	36	20	4
NE	1	7	33	50	9
NC	0	1	20	59	20
OH	1	4	21	52	22
OK	8	10	26	48	8
OR	6	33	37	22	2
SD	5	6	26	45	18
TX	19	25	33	19	4
WA	2	5	32	57	4
18 Sts	9	15	31	36	9
Prev Wk	8	13	32	38	9
Prev Yr	5	11	25	42	17

**Oats: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending May 18, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	2	3	31	54	10
MN	0	2	26	62	10
NE	0	1	19	75	5
ND	1	8	60	30	1
OH	0	3	24	60	13
PA	1	3	22	70	4
SD	0	2	28	58	12
TX	11	12	32	38	7
WI	0	5	25	55	15
9 Sts	3	6	34	49	8
Prev Wk	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Prev Yr	3	4	23	58	12

**Rice: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending May 18, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	3	7	37	44	9
CA	0	0	16	39	45
LA	0	4	18	72	6
MS	1	3	23	65	8
MO	0	7	14	79	0
TX	0	0	43	48	9
6 Sts	2	5	28	50	15
Prev Wk	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Prev Yr	0	3	26	60	11

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending May 18, 2008**

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	2	7	21	61	9	NJ	0	0	15	85	0
AZ	14	27	34	20	5	NM	26	53	21	0	0
AR	0	2	27	62	9	NY	1	4	20	53	22
CA	62	29	9	0	0	NC	1	5	34	47	13
CO	15	28	39	17	1	ND	18	34	32	15	1
CT	0	0	5	81	14	OH	1	7	28	50	14
DE	1	8	51	33	7	OK	3	6	29	55	7
FL	25	35	25	15	0	OR	2	20	25	41	12
GA	2	11	46	39	2	PA	2	4	26	56	12
ID	10	14	27	37	12	RI	0	0	10	40	50
IL	0	4	20	60	16	SC	0	8	41	50	1
IN	3	7	28	46	16	SD	3	8	33	49	7
IA	3	6	31	49	11	TN	1	7	28	53	11
KS	7	12	34	41	6	TX	10	18	28	36	8
KY	2	8	36	43	11	UT	7	26	32	28	7
LA	1	5	34	55	5	VT	0	0	59	41	0
ME	0	1	12	86	1	VA	0	3	26	57	14
MD	0	5	22	58	15	WA	2	14	47	37	0
MA	0	0	10	60	30	WV	1	6	36	47	10
MI	1	5	31	48	15	WI	0	4	21	50	25
MN	1	11	30	46	12	WY	1	15	43	37	4
MS	2	4	44	45	5						
MO	1	7	36	52	4	48 Sts	9	14	29	40	8
MT	13	21	32	27	7						
NE	1	4	28	62	5	Prev Wk	8	13	31	40	8
NV	2	8	48	40	2	Prev Yr	5	13	29	43	10
NH	0	2	16	65	17						

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.
National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2007 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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