

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 Mature, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	77	64	88	79
IL	77	52	100	98
IN	78	57	92	87
IA	66	45	98	95
KS	84	75	99	97
KY	97	93	100	97
MI	80	59	91	76
MN	70	41	98	86
MO	79	58	98	99
NE	63	43	90	85
NC	100	100	100	100
ND	63	39	92	80
OH	82	58	83	77
PA	78	64	81	75
SD	75	44	89	85
TN	98	95	100	100
TX	89	76	100	98
WI	51	36	85	73
18 Sts	73	52	95	89

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

Corn: Percent Harvested, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	26	16	25	16
IL	10	4	71	48
IN	15	8	40	25
IA	3	2	19	15
KS	34	21	65	63
KY	60	38	88	72
MI	8	3	18	12
MN	3	1	22	11
MO	30	17	78	73
NE	9	4	25	19
NC	78	69	93	88
ND	0	0	11	9
OH	15	8	14	10
PA	28	26	28	30
SD	6	2	19	14
TN	85	66	98	90
TX	68	66	91	83
WI	5	2	18	11
18 Sts	14	9	39	30

¹ These 18 States harvested 93% of last year's corn acreage.

**Soybeans: Percent Dropping Leaves,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	52	35	72	71
IL	80	57	98	95
IN	89	80	94	92
IA	84	70	96	97
KS	76	58	83	85
KY	81	64	87	85
LA	89	83	96	90
MI	93	80	91	87
MN	98	86	100	97
MS	86	73	97	97
MO	48	28	77	81
NE	87	71	93	95
NC	43	31	51	49
ND	98	94	99	97
OH	100	81	98	93
SD	98	92	97	98
TN	80	63	90	80
WI	93	79	95	88
18 Sts	83	68	92	91

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	19	10	45	42
IL	22	6	61	47
IN	38	15	42	34
IA	37	8	51	56
KS	21	2	23	25
KY	18	7	30	21
LA	70	56	79	73
MI	20	9	18	23
MN	46	8	64	50
MS	60	40	72	84
MO	9	2	26	23
NE	32	6	28	40
NC	2	1	5	4
ND	37	9	54	52
OH	36	15	30	27
SD	42	10	32	35
TN	24	8	38	30
WI	18	5	21	22
18 Sts	31	9	43	41

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	29	NA	43	24
KS	3	NA	12	17
ND	1	NA	7	7
SD	1	NA	6	12
4 Sts	3	NA	10	10

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	6	2	9	9
CA	13	11	17	7
CO	88	76	79	89
ID	67	50	63	62
IL	10	4	34	22
IN	24	5	29	21
KS	64	37	50	59
MI	39	13	52	41
MO	7	3	16	17
MT	82	52	78	81
NE	85	70	87	88
NC	5	2	2	6
OH	39	9	32	23
OK	59	44	47	62
OR	35	29	60	48
SD	76	61	85	83
TX	54	42	46	59
WA	73	60	80	78
18 Sts	59	42	54	60

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	1	1	2
CA	0	0	0	1
CO	54	39	52	58
ID	17	5	23	21
IL	3	2	5	3
IN	1	0	5	3
KS	31	11	19	27
MI	5	1	19	12
MO	2	1	5	4
MT	28	7	33	30
NE	53	26	59	61
NC	0	0	0	1
OH	4	0	6	2
OK	28	14	18	34
OR	3	1	32	18
SD	42	23	50	43
TX	26	15	20	29
WA	47	34	52	48
18 Sts	28	14	25	30

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	2	0	16	14
MI	11	6	16	8
MN	38	9	35	36
ND	44	9	38	37
4 Sts	30	7	30	29

¹ These 4 States harvested 84% of last year's sugarbeets acreage.

**Cotton: Percent Bolls Opening,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	84	81	92	92
AZ	98	95	96	97
AR	94	87	98	95
CA	73	63	86	78
GA	87	79	74	85
KS	65	50	53	52
LA	100	98	98	97
MS	92	87	99	97
MO	92	84	100	91
NC	88	82	99	92
OK	90	72	78	83
SC	82	71	89	79
TN	96	87	100	93
TX	63	40	69	66
VA	90	87	100	89
15 Sts	77	63	81	79

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	10	6	22	20
AZ	25	20	19	17
AR	16	4	43	35
CA	2	0	8	5
GA	10	5	6	14
KS	0	0	0	2
LA	45	28	34	51
MS	13	8	55	52
MO	21	6	60	28
NC	6	2	18	11
OK	2	0	3	7
SC	5	1	17	12
TN	23	7	40	24
TX	19	18	22	23
VA	10	3	22	14
15 Sts	16	12	26	24

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	65	46	84	85
CA	53	40	51	52
LA	95	86	100	98
MS	72	50	96	91
MO	59	29	86	75
TX	99	99	99	99
6 Sts	69	52	82	81

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	24	17	19	36
FL	56	30	36	44
GA	29	13	12	28
NC	20	7	23	21
OK	16	1	13	8
SC	28	18	30	33
TX	12	9	10	12
VA	4	2	34	23
8 Sts	27	14	17	27

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	100	100	100	93
IL	100	82	100	98
KS	90	84	100	95
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	92	84	96	98
NE	96	93	100	99
NM	72	70	100	79
OK	76	70	88	91
SD	100	96	100	100
TX	84	82	100	91
11 Sts	89	85	100	94

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	99	100	100
CO	78	71	74	57
IL	65	40	96	89
KS	41	29	76	63
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	57	41	78	85
NE	34	15	88	77
NM	19	10	36	21
OK	37	32	63	61
SD	61	25	94	84
TX	71	70	94	77
11 Sts	57	50	85	72

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 5, 2008	Sep 28, 2008	Oct 5, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	87	74	99	94
CO	18	11	19	13
IL	5	0	74	41
KS	10	4	23	24
LA	97	95	99	100
MO	28	16	42	51
NE	2	1	10	12
NM	0	0	3	2
OK	24	20	32	32
SD	5	3	37	27
TX	70	69	89	68
11 Sts	39	35	54	46

¹ These 11 States harvested 96% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 5, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	4	11	32	28	25
IL	1	4	20	59	16
IN	5	13	30	39	13
IA	3	9	27	47	14
KS	2	9	34	46	9
KY	1	11	31	35	22
MI	7	12	31	35	15
MN	3	7	24	54	12
MO	4	15	35	37	9
NE	2	4	18	57	19
NC	21	26	33	18	2
ND	3	6	24	53	14
OH	9	22	37	26	6
PA	0	9	18	55	18
SD	1	3	17	51	28
TN	3	15	34	42	6
TX	16	16	26	38	4
WI	5	11	29	44	11
18 Sts	4	9	26	47	14
Prev Wk	4	9	26	47	14
Prev Yr	5	9	23	44	19

**Soybeans: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 5, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	3	10	33	39	15
IL	1	4	22	58	15
IN	7	12	32	39	10
IA	3	8	28	48	13
KS	0	4	27	48	21
KY	5	20	27	29	19
LA	16	25	38	20	1
MI	9	16	31	32	12
MN	4	8	27	52	9
MS	6	12	32	37	13
MO	5	15	36	35	9
NE	1	6	24	58	11
NC	3	10	32	44	11
ND	1	5	20	63	11
OH	10	23	40	23	4
SD	1	5	29	50	15
TN	9	17	33	35	6
WI	4	12	33	42	9
18 Sts	4	10	29	45	12
Prev Wk	4	10	29	46	11
Prev Yr	6	10	26	43	15

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 5, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	4	12	36	41	7
AZ	0	2	20	64	14
AR	1	8	28	50	13
CA	0	0	5	75	20
GA	5	15	42	31	7
KS	5	10	30	45	10
LA	36	34	24	6	0
MS	7	10	29	43	11
MO	4	8	25	54	9
NC	2	10	29	49	10
OK	1	18	49	29	3
SC	5	12	46	33	4
TN	1	7	30	53	9
TX	9	16	29	34	12
VA	0	11	48	30	11
15 Sts	7	13	30	39	11
Prev Wk	5	13	31	40	11
Prev Yr	5	14	25	42	14

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2007 planted acres.

**Peanuts: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 5, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	1	1	25	55	18
FL	0	0	27	62	11
GA	3	7	29	46	15
NC	0	3	31	55	11
OK	0	2	29	62	7
SC	0	1	39	44	16
TX	1	2	27	65	5
VA	0	10	47	36	7
8 Sts	2	4	29	52	13
Prev Wk	1	3	30	54	12
Prev Yr	6	12	33	37	12

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 5, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	9	43	35	12
CO	4	13	40	38	5
IL	0	1	15	56	28
KS	1	8	32	46	13
LA	0	11	44	42	3
MO	2	3	10	46	39
NE	1	4	21	54	20
NM	0	3	45	48	4
OK	1	13	29	53	4
SD	3	4	17	57	19
TX	5	14	36	40	5
11 Sts	3	10	33	44	10
Prev Wk	3	11	33	45	8
Prev Yr	2	7	27	49	15

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2007 planted acres.

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 5, 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	17	33	41	7	NJ	0	0	40	60	0
AZ	2	23	33	28	14	NM	3	12	35	34	16
AR	0	2	27	60	11	NY	0	4	25	55	16
CA	80	15	5	0	0	NC	9	13	27	46	5
CO	8	19	43	25	5	ND	18	32	25	21	4
CT	0	0	34	56	10	OH	14	27	35	22	2
DE	11	27	50	11	1	OK	2	8	34	47	9
FL	5	10	45	35	5	OR	21	31	35	13	0
GA	17	24	43	16	0	PA	29	14	29	25	3
ID	5	25	36	31	3	RI	0	20	30	40	10
IL	1	3	27	60	9	SC	8	22	45	24	1
IN	14	25	38	20	3	SD	2	11	29	44	14
IA	4	12	35	41	8	TN	22	35	31	12	0
KS	6	9	28	48	9	TX	10	20	35	30	5
KY	47	33	16	4	0	UT	9	18	33	33	7
LA	6	13	43	34	4	VT	0	0	34	66	0
ME	1	1	14	78	6	VA	5	17	35	39	4
MD	1	12	38	44	5	WA	23	37	34	6	0
MA	0	0	0	100	0	WV	9	22	51	18	0
MI	11	19	34	30	6	WI	10	21	34	32	3
MN	8	19	33	35	5	WY	3	11	47	33	6
MS	3	4	28	59	6						
MO	1	6	29	55	9	48 Sts	13	16	31	34	6
MT	10	18	38	31	3						
NE	3	12	27	49	9	Prev Wk	12	15	32	35	6
NV	20	33	35	12	0	Prev Yr	18	18	27	31	6
NH	4	6	46	35	9						

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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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Crop Progress and Condition tables expected next week:

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