

# 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 States<sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	88	77	97	92
IL	88	77	100	99
IN	88	78	97	94
IA	84	66	99	99
KS	92	84	100	99
KY	99	97	100	99
MI	87	80	96	89
MN	83	70	100	96
MO	91	79	100	100
NE	79	63	95	93
NC	100	100	100	100
ND	75	63	96	88
OH	87	82	90	87
PA	91	78	90	85
SD	83	75	94	95
TN	100	98	100	100
TX	93	89	100	99
WI	80	51	93	85
18 Sts	86	73	97	95

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 91% of last year's corn acreage.

**Corn: Percent Harvested, Selected States<sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	34	26	35	25
IL	20	10	80	63
IN	26	15	54	38
IA	7	3	33	27
KS	45	34	79	75
KY	77	60	94	83
MI	15	8	25	18
MN	5	3	41	24
MO	41	30	82	79
NE	14	9	34	29
NC	84	78	95	93
ND	1	0	23	18
OH	24	15	22	19
PA	35	28	38	41
SD	11	6	32	24
TN	91	85	99	95
TX	76	68	92	89
WI	8	5	27	19
18 Sts	21	14	50	41

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States harvested 93% of last year's corn acreage.

**Soybeans: Percent Dropping Leaves,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	67	52	80	80
IL	91	80	100	98
IN	95	89	97	97
IA	94	84	98	99
KS	88	76	90	92
KY	91	81	94	93
LA	96	89	99	94
MI	97	93	98	96
MN	100	98	100	100
MS	92	86	99	99
MO	69	48	89	92
NE	97	87	99	99
NC	56	43	59	61
ND	100	98	100	100
OH	100	100	100	98
SD	100	98	100	100
TN	90	80	95	89
WI	97	93	99	96
18 Sts	91	83	96	96

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 95% of last year's soybean acreage.

**Soybeans: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	29	19	54	52
IL	45	22	81	70
IN	55	38	63	56
IA	68	37	67	79
KS	46	21	39	42
KY	31	18	45	35
LA	80	70	89	79
MI	42	20	42	46
MN	67	46	81	74
MS	77	60	85	90
MO	20	9	42	40
NE	62	32	47	66
NC	5	2	8	7
ND	60	37	70	76
OH	54	36	57	51
SD	56	42	55	64
TN	34	24	51	41
WI	38	18	39	45
18 Sts	51	31	61	61

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States harvested 95% of last year's soybean acreage.

**Sunflower: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	40	29	56	36
KS	10	3	25	26
ND	4	1	14	17
SD	5	1	22	24
4 Sts	7	3	20	21

<sup>1</sup> These 4 States harvested 86% of last year's sunflower acreage.

**Winter Wheat: Percent Planted,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	8	6	17	19
CA	15	13	18	9
CO	97	88	93	96
ID	82	67	80	79
IL	25	10	62	49
IN	47	24	60	47
KS	79	64	67	75
MI	54	39	70	64
MO	18	7	35	34
MT	93	82	88	91
NE	92	85	95	94
NC	6	5	6	11
OH	65	39	67	52
OK	75	59	63	73
OR	54	35	73	61
SD	90	76	93	93
TX	70	54	63	68
WA	82	73	88	88
18 Sts	73	59	69	73

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

**Winter Wheat: Percent Emerged,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	3	1	3	5
CA	0	0	0	2
CO	74	54	68	76
ID	31	17	34	32
IL	6	3	15	11
IN	8	1	20	11
KS	51	31	34	44
MI	15	5	31	23
MO	6	2	13	12
MT	56	28	50	49
NE	77	53	73	76
NC	1	0	0	2
OH	18	4	25	13
OK	49	28	32	49
OR	5	3	44	26
SD	62	42	67	60
TX	46	26	33	41
WA	60	47	59	62
18 Sts	46	28	39	44

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

**Sugarbeets: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	12	2	26	23
MI	15	11	21	12
MN	59	38	63	63
ND	60	44	69	66
4 Sts	45	30	53	50

<sup>1</sup> These 4 States harvested 84% of last year's sugarbeets acreage.

**Cotton: Percent Bolls Opening,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	93	84	95	95
AZ	100	98	98	99
AR	99	94	100	97
CA	80	73	93	87
GA	92	87	83	90
KS	75	65	67	63
LA	100	100	100	99
MS	96	92	100	99
MO	97	92	100	95
NC	94	88	100	97
OK	94	90	89	90
SC	89	82	96	86
TN	97	96	100	97
TX	70	63	77	74
VA	93	90	100	93
15 Sts	83	77	87	85

<sup>1</sup> These 15 States planted 99% of last year's cotton acreage.

**Cotton: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	27	10	34	33
AZ	28	25	24	21
AR	38	16	60	51
CA	3	2	17	11
GA	19	10	11	21
KS	0	0	0	4
LA	70	45	58	68
MS	35	13	69	68
MO	37	21	76	46
NC	14	6	32	20
OK	10	2	7	14
SC	13	5	31	21
TN	42	23	60	39
TX	20	19	24	24
VA	19	10	39	23
15 Sts	25	16	34	31

<sup>1</sup> These 15 States harvested 99% of last year's cotton acreage.

**Rice: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	79	65	91	92
CA	60	53	59	67
LA	98	95	100	99
MS	86	72	98	96
MO	76	59	94	87
TX	100	99	100	100
6 Sts	79	69	87	88

<sup>1</sup> These 6 States harvested 100% of last year's rice acreage.

**Peanuts: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	37	24	30	48
FL	65	56	51	58
GA	44	29	24	43
NC	31	20	51	42
OK	18	16	25	16
SC	44	28	45	45
TX	25	12	24	20
VA	35	4	61	40
8 Sts	41	27	31	41

<sup>1</sup> These 8 States harvested 98% of last year's peanut acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Coloring,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	100	100	100	98
IL	100	100	100	99
KS	95	90	100	97
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	97	92	99	100
NE	99	96	100	100
NM	76	72	100	84
OK	81	76	91	94
SD	100	100	100	100
TX	90	84	100	94
11 Sts	93	89	100	96

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 95% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Mature,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	88	78	83	70
IL	75	65	98	97
KS	56	41	85	72
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	73	57	86	91
NE	60	34	95	91
NM	25	19	39	28
OK	39	37	66	68
SD	74	61	99	94
TX	77	71	97	81
11 Sts	68	57	90	78

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 95% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 5, 2008	Oct 12, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	96	87	100	98
CO	28	18	28	20
IL	10	5	88	57
KS	17	10	34	31
LA	100	97	100	100
MO	37	28	54	61
NE	5	2	21	26
NM	0	0	8	4
OK	25	24	41	38
SD	8	5	61	49
TX	71	70	91	70
11 Sts	43	39	61	51

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States harvested 96% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Oct 12, 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	31	29	25
IL	1	4	23	52	20
IN	5	12	29	40	14
IA	3	8	25	50	14
KS	3	9	28	49	11
KY	1	11	31	35	22
MI	5	11	34	38	12
MN	5	9	22	53	11
MO	4	14	34	39	9
NE	2	4	18	54	22
NC	21	26	33	18	2
ND	3	7	23	53	14
OH	9	20	36	28	7
PA	0	8	21	49	22
SD	1	3	17	59	20
TN	3	15	34	42	6
TX	16	16	26	38	4
WI	5	12	32	41	10
18 Sts	4	9	25	47	15
Prev Wk	4	9	26	47	14
Prev Yr	4	8	23	46	19

**Soybeans: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Oct 12, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	3	11	32	38	16
IL	1	4	22	59	14
IN	6	13	34	37	10
IA	3	9	27	47	14
KS	0	3	24	52	21
KY	7	18	29	27	19
LA	16	25	38	20	1
MI	10	15	33	34	8
MN	4	10	29	50	7
MS	6	12	32	37	13
MO	5	15	35	35	10
NE	1	5	24	56	14
NC	2	8	34	47	9
ND	2	6	20	62	10
OH	10	22	39	24	5
SD	1	5	29	50	15
TN	8	17	31	37	7
WI	5	13	35	39	8
18 Sts	4	10	29	45	12
Prev Wk	4	10	29	45	12
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Oct 12, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	2	10	37	44	7
AZ	0	1	20	62	17
AR	1	10	29	45	15
CA	0	5	10	75	10
GA	4	15	43	32	6
KS	5	10	25	50	10
LA	30	37	26	7	0
MS	7	11	26	44	12
MO	3	6	26	55	10
NC	1	6	29	51	13
OK	4	11	35	39	11
SC	5	14	49	28	4
TN	1	7	30	53	9
TX	10	16	33	31	10
VA	0	10	45	39	6
15 Sts	7	13	32	38	10
Prev Wk	7	13	30	39	11
Prev Yr	6	14	26	40	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 12, 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	23	56	19
FL	0	0	27	62	11
GA	2	5	27	47	19
NC	0	1	19	59	21
OK	0	2	20	72	6
SC	0	3	30	56	11
TX	1	3	26	69	1
VA	0	9	38	46	7
8 Sts	1	3	26	55	15
Prev Wk	2	4	29	52	13
Prev Yr	6	12	31	40	11

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Oct 12, 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	11	26	34	24	5
IL	0	2	10	62	26
KS	2	8	25	52	13
LA	0	11	44	42	3
MO	2	9	38	43	8
NE	1	4	19	53	23
NM	0	1	48	45	6
OK	2	13	28	53	4
SD	3	5	23	54	15
TX	5	14	36	40	5
11 Sts	3	11	31	45	10
Prev Wk	3	10	33	44	10
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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 12, 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	18	34	40	6	NJ	0	0	50	50	0
AZ	3	23	32	28	14	NM	4	12	45	34	5
AR	0	2	26	59	13	NY	0	4	32	55	9
CA	80	15	5	0	0	NC	4	14	26	49	7
CO	8	20	47	21	4	ND	22	31	25	18	4
CT	4	3	44	44	5	OH	13	30	31	23	3
DE	7	29	52	11	1	OK	2	7	32	49	10
FL	2	10	35	50	3	OR	16	28	34	22	0
GA	11	21	48	19	1	PA	33	15	27	24	1
ID	2	25	41	32	0	RI	0	20	30	40	10
IL	1	5	33	52	9	SC	4	19	44	32	1
IN	12	27	39	19	3	SD	2	11	32	46	9
IA	3	12	32	42	11	TN	18	35	32	14	1
KS	4	10	28	50	8	TX	10	22	36	28	4
KY	45	29	18	8	0	UT	11	19	29	36	5
LA	3	11	48	37	1	VT	0	14	40	46	0
ME	1	4	16	58	21	VA	8	24	36	30	2
MD	1	14	36	44	5	WA	12	23	44	21	0
MA	0	0	0	100	0	WV	19	34	39	8	0
MI	12	19	32	32	5	WI	7	21	41	28	3
MN	10	15	33	39	3	WY	3	11	44	36	6
MS	3	4	34	55	4						
MO	1	6	31	52	10	48 Sts	13	17	32	33	5
MT	14	18	35	29	4						
NE	3	12	28	49	8	Prev Wk	13	16	31	34	6
NV	24	38	30	8	0	Prev Yr	18	18	28	30	6
NH	2	5	50	35	8						

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:

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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.

**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.

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