

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 ¹

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	97	88	100	98
IL	98	88	100	100
IN	93	88	99	97
IA	92	84	100	100
KS	96	92	100	100
KY	100	99	100	100
MI	96	87	99	96
MN	95	83	100	99
MO	94	91	100	100
NE	83	79	99	98
NC	100	100	100	100
ND	89	75	99	91
OH	89	87	94	94
PA	94	91	93	92
SD	92	83	99	98
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	96	93	100	100
WI	91	80	99	94
18 Sts	93	86	99	98

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

Corn: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			2003-2007 Avg.
	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	45	34	46	37
IL	32	20	89	76
IN	41	26	66	50
IA	13	7	40	43
KS	52	45	84	82
KY	85	77	97	88
MI	24	15	33	28
MN	19	5	51	43
MO	48	41	84	84
NE	18	14	42	40
NC	92	84	97	96
ND	3	1	37	34
OH	37	24	35	29
PA	44	35	46	48
SD	14	11	38	34
TN	95	91	100	97
TX	77	76	93	93
WI	17	8	35	30
18 Sts	29	21	58	53

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	82	67	88	89
IL	96	91	100	100
IN	97	95	99	99
IA	97	94	100	100
KS	90	88	95	96
KY	97	91	99	98
LA	99	96	100	97
MI	100	97	100	99
MN	100	100	100	100
MS	98	92	100	100
MO	80	69	94	96
NE	99	97	100	100
NC	66	56	75	73
ND	100	100	100	100
OH	100	100	100	100
SD	100	100	100	100
TN	96	90	99	95
WI	100	97	100	99
18 Sts	95	91	98	98

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	44	29	62	61
IL	63	45	91	83
IN	74	55	78	72
IA	80	68	75	89
KS	53	46	51	54
KY	48	31	63	47
LA	89	80	92	85
MI	74	42	59	62
MN	83	67	85	88
MS	85	77	92	94
MO	27	20	54	52
NE	74	62	57	79
NC	8	5	15	11
ND	70	60	78	88
OH	81	54	80	67
SD	76	56	67	83
TN	46	34	61	52
WI	63	38	50	64
18 Sts	67	51	72	74

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	51	40	66	47
KS	12	10	50	38
ND	10	4	27	34
SD	10	5	28	38
4 Sts	13	7	32	36

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	18	8	31	33
CA	16	15	19	12
CO	99	97	99	99
ID	88	82	90	90
IL	52	25	85	71
IN	70	47	80	69
KS	81	79	80	85
MI	85	54	83	80
MO	28	18	50	49
MT	96	93	95	96
NE	96	92	99	98
NC	18	6	8	16
OH	90	65	89	73
OK	82	75	75	82
OR	67	54	80	73
SD	93	90	99	97
TX	77	70	72	75
WA	87	82	92	94
18 Sts	79	73	79	81

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	8	3	11	13
CA	2	0	2	4
CO	87	74	78	86
ID	41	31	48	46
IL	22	6	40	32
IN	31	8	47	29
KS	67	51	52	60
MI	41	15	50	42
MO	12	6	27	25
MT	71	56	70	65
NE	86	77	87	88
NC	6	1	0	5
OH	47	18	55	35
OK	64	49	46	63
OR	10	5	49	38
SD	71	62	81	74
TX	59	46	42	51
WA	62	60	70	73
18 Sts	60	46	53	58

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	19	12	44	40
MI	19	15	24	22
MN	80	59	78	87
ND	77	60	86	90
4 Sts	61	45	67	71

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	96	93	97	96
AZ	100	100	100	100
AR	100	99	100	98
CA	87	80	96	94
GA	95	92	90	94
KS	85	75	76	69
LA	100	100	100	100
MS	98	96	100	100
MO	100	97	100	97
NC	98	94	100	98
OK	96	94	93	94
SC	95	89	98	91
TN	99	97	100	99
TX	78	70	85	81
VA	98	93	100	96
15 Sts	88	83	92	89

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	39	27	48	43
AZ	32	28	32	28
AR	54	38	75	64
CA	4	3	31	24
GA	26	19	19	31
KS	0	0	1	5
LA	85	70	72	80
MS	57	35	83	80
MO	53	37	87	58
NC	27	14	50	31
OK	13	10	14	19
SC	24	13	44	31
TN	59	42	75	50
TX	21	20	25	26
VA	24	19	49	32
15 Sts	32	25	41	38

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	86	79	95	96
CA	89	60	71	78
LA	99	98	100	100
MS	92	86	99	98
MO	86	76	97	93
TX	100	100	100	100
6 Sts	90	79	92	93

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	45	37	42	57
FL	73	65	66	74
GA	56	44	40	58
NC	61	31	72	64
OK	29	18	46	32
SC	63	44	64	59
TX	31	25	33	28
VA	38	35	76	55
8 Sts	52	41	46	55

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	100	100	100	99
IL	100	100	100	100
KS	99	95	100	99
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	99	97	100	100
NE	100	99	100	100
NM	77	76	100	87
OK	86	81	98	97
SD	100	100	100	100
TX	94	90	100	96
11 Sts	97	93	100	98

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	95	88	95	81
IL	83	75	99	98
KS	70	56	91	82
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	80	73	91	95
NE	63	60	99	97
NM	30	25	52	38
OK	42	39	68	74
SD	79	74	100	98
TX	81	77	98	84
11 Sts	76	68	94	85

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 19, 2008	Oct 12, 2008	Oct 19, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	99	96	100	99
CO	39	28	42	29
IL	29	10	93	67
KS	21	17	44	41
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	40	37	67	69
NE	8	5	30	40
NM	2	0	25	10
OK	27	25	49	45
SD	16	8	71	65
TX	72	71	92	71
11 Sts	46	43	67	57

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

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 19, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	4	9	31	30	26
IL	1	4	23	52	20
IN	5	12	27	41	15
IA	2	9	27	47	15
KS	1	8	31	47	13
KY	1	11	31	35	22
MI	7	14	30	39	10
MN	4	7	19	58	12
MO	4	13	32	41	10
NE	2	4	18	53	23
NC	21	26	33	18	2
ND	3	6	23	54	14
OH	10	21	37	26	6
PA	0	9	26	53	12
SD	1	4	17	55	23
TN	3	15	34	42	6
TX	16	16	26	38	4
WI	6	11	31	41	11
18 Sts	4	9	25	47	15
Prev Wk	4	9	25	47	15
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 19, 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	63	16
AR	2	10	31	42	15
CA	0	0	5	65	30
GA	4	15	42	33	6
KS	10	10	25	45	10
LA	30	37	26	7	0
MS	8	11	25	46	10
MO	3	6	26	55	10
NC	1	9	27	54	9
OK	5	13	37	34	11
SC	4	12	56	26	2
TN	1	7	30	53	9
TX	9	16	34	31	10
VA	0	11	43	43	3
15 Sts	7	13	32	38	10
Prev Wk	7	13	32	38	10
Prev Yr	6	12	28	39	15

**Peanuts: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 19, 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	8	30	45	15
NC	0	3	27	57	13
OK	0	2	17	76	5
SC	0	3	33	56	8
TX	1	2	27	63	7
VA	0	9	38	46	7
8 Sts	1	5	28	53	13
Prev Wk	1	3	26	55	15
Prev Yr	6	14	30	42	8

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Oct 19, 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	12	27	33	23	5
IL	0	2	10	62	26
KS	1	7	27	53	12
LA	0	11	44	42	3
MO	2	8	36	46	8
NE	1	3	19	52	25
NM	0	17	39	37	7
OK	2	13	29	52	4
SD	1	5	24	53	17
TX	5	14	36	40	5
11 Sts	3	10	31	47	9
Prev Wk	3	11	31	45	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 19, 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	41	5	NJ	0	0	65	35	0
AZ	6	23	33	26	12	NM	3	11	34	42	10
AR	0	2	27	60	11	NY	0	8	33	48	11
CA	80	15	5	0	0	NC	5	23	23	42	7
CO	8	20	40	27	5	ND	21	30	25	19	5
CT	5	3	47	40	5	OH	17	26	29	25	3
DE	7	29	52	11	1	OK	2	7	34	48	9
FL	1	5	40	50	4	OR	14	27	40	18	1
GA	10	23	44	22	1	PA	14	16	42	23	5
ID	1	26	44	29	0	RI	0	30	30	40	0
IL	1	8	25	58	8	SC	2	16	44	38	0
IN	13	24	38	21	4	SD	1	10	30	46	13
IA	3	13	34	41	9	TN	15	31	37	16	1
KS	3	9	28	53	7	TX	11	23	35	27	4
KY	42	35	19	4	0	UT	8	17	27	39	9
LA	5	12	48	33	2	VT	0	20	54	26	0
ME	1	5	26	67	1	VA	6	16	39	36	3
MD	2	15	31	47	5	WA	16	29	35	19	1
MA	0	0	3	97	0	WV	11	36	39	14	0
MI	10	19	37	30	4	WI	9	16	49	25	1
MN	3	16	36	41	4	WY	3	11	42	38	6
MS	8	9	39	40	4						
MO	1	5	30	53	11	48 Sts	12	17	33	33	5
MT	8	17	39	32	4						
NE	3	12	28	49	8	Prev	13	17	32	33	5
NV	29	43	25	3	0	Wk	17	18	28	31	6
NH	0	6	53	31	10	Prev Yr					

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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