

# 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 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	99	97	100	100
IL	98	98	100	100
IN	98	93	100	99
IA	96	92	100	98
KS	100	96	100	100
KY	100	100	100	100
MI	100	96	100	98
MN	99	95	100	100
MO	96	94	100	100
NE	87	83	100	100
NC	100	100	100	100
ND	94	89	100	93
OH	100	89	99	98
PA	95	94	95	95
SD	94	92	100	100
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	99	96	100	100
WI	95	91	100	97
18 Sts	96	93	100	99

<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 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	61	45	63	51
IL	46	32	94	85
IN	59	41	78	63
IA	20	13	57	63
KS	60	52	89	87
KY	93	85	98	93
MI	35	24	47	41
MN	30	19	67	64
MO	51	48	87	88
NE	21	18	58	56
NC	95	92	99	98
ND	4	3	51	51
OH	55	37	54	43
PA	58	44	50	55
SD	16	14	47	50
TN	98	95	100	99
TX	78	77	96	95
WI	28	17	50	43
18 Sts	39	29	70	66

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	60	44	69	71
IL	76	63	94	89
IN	85	74	88	83
IA	87	80	85	94
KS	60	53	64	68
KY	65	48	72	62
LA	95	89	95	92
MI	88	74	73	74
MN	92	83	91	95
MS	88	85	94	96
MO	38	27	66	65
NE	82	74	73	89
NC	10	8	18	15
ND	77	70	89	93
OH	88	81	90	78
SD	83	76	80	92
TN	62	46	67	61
WI	85	63	65	77
18 Sts	76	67	81	83

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	32	18	43	48
CA	20	16	26	19
CO	100	99	100	100
ID	91	88	96	97
IL	78	52	95	84
IN	87	70	91	85
KS	83	81	89	92
MI	92	85	93	90
MO	43	28	62	63
MT	99	96	98	98
NE	98	96	100	99
NC	23	18	14	25
OH	100	90	98	85
OK	86	82	82	89
OR	86	67	84	81
SD	96	93	100	100
TX	81	77	78	81
WA	94	87	97	98
18 Sts	84	79	86	88

<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 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	16	8	25	27
CA	5	2	7	8
CO	95	87	90	93
ID	50	41	64	60
IL	40	22	70	56
IN	59	31	75	55
KS	73	67	68	73
MI	59	41	74	62
MO	23	12	41	40
MT	90	71	81	76
NE	91	86	95	94
NC	7	6	4	10
OH	72	47	85	58
OK	74	64	59	73
OR	36	10	51	49
SD	82	71	90	85
TX	66	59	52	60
WA	70	62	83	80
18 Sts	69	60	66	69

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	99	96	99	98
AZ	100	100	100	100
AR	100	100	100	99
CA	99	87	98	97
GA	98	95	94	96
KS	95	85	94	82
LA	100	100	100	100
MS	99	98	100	100
MO	100	100	100	98
NC	100	98	100	99
OK	97	96	97	97
SC	98	95	100	95
TN	100	99	100	99
TX	83	78	90	87
VA	100	98	100	98
15 Sts	92	88	95	93

<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 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	57	39	66	54
AZ	41	32	42	37
AR	73	54	83	73
CA	20	4	44	42
GA	35	26	28	41
KS	0	0	7	8
LA	93	85	86	90
MS	68	57	89	88
MO	77	53	89	66
NC	41	27	63	46
OK	21	13	22	32
SC	33	24	54	41
TN	76	59	82	61
TX	22	21	26	29
VA	37	24	72	46
15 Sts	40	32	47	45

<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 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	93	86	97	98
CA	93	89	79	86
LA	100	99	100	100
MS	98	92	100	100
MO	94	86	99	97
TX	100	100	100	100
6 Sts	95	90	94	96

<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 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	61	45	52	69
FL	83	73	77	85
GA	70	56	54	70
NC	84	61	86	82
OK	42	29	55	51
SC	76	63	80	74
TX	42	31	45	39
VA	57	38	79	70
8 Sts	66	52	59	67

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	99	95	100	92
IL	90	83	100	99
KS	80	70	96	90
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	84	80	94	97
NE	71	63	100	99
NM	59	30	57	54
OK	71	42	83	82
SD	93	79	100	100
TX	85	81	100	88
11 Sts	83	76	97	90

<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 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	99	100	100
CO	47	39	52	39
IL	39	29	95	76
KS	26	21	59	53
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	45	40	75	76
NE	12	8	49	56
NM	4	2	48	18
OK	29	27	55	52
SD	25	16	78	78
TX	73	72	93	74
11 Sts	49	46	75	65

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	48	19	69	62
MI	41	19	34	48
MN	88	80	92	96
ND	89	77	97	97
4 Sts	75	61	81	84

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Oct 26, 2008	Oct 19, 2008	Oct 26, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	62	51	73	61
KS	18	12	61	51
ND	21	10	45	52
SD	16	10	38	53
4 Sts	22	13	47	53

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

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Oct 26, 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	33	28	24
IL	1	4	23	52	20
IN	4	11	26	41	18
IA	3	8	25	46	18
KS	1	8	31	47	13
KY	1	11	31	35	22
MI	3	10	29	42	16
MN	4	8	19	52	17
MO	4	12	35	39	10
NE	2	4	18	53	23
NC	21	26	33	18	2
ND	2	6	22	54	16
OH	7	20	35	31	7
PA	0	10	23	50	17
SD	2	3	17	55	23
TN	3	15	34	42	6
TX	16	16	26	38	4
WI	5	10	28	47	10
18 Sts	3	8	25	47	17
Prev Wk	4	9	25	47	15
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Oct 26, 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	18	62	19
AR	2	10	31	42	15
CA	0	0	5	65	30
GA	5	12	46	30	7
KS	10	10	25	45	10
LA	23	35	30	12	0
MS	8	11	25	46	10
MO	3	6	26	55	10
NC	2	11	33	45	9
OK	4	15	40	30	11
SC	5	12	39	40	4
TN	1	7	30	53	9
TX	11	16	33	31	9
VA	0	15	40	39	6
15 Sts	7	13	32	38	10
Prev Wk	7	13	32	38	10
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Winter Wheat: Crop Condition  
by Percent, Selected States  
Week Ending Oct 26, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	0	31	62	7
CA	0	0	10	78	12
CO	0	1	22	45	32
ID	0	0	1	87	12
IL	0	0	19	74	7
IN	1	5	28	56	10
KS	1	4	23	61	11
MI	1	1	57	29	12
MO	0	2	45	51	2
MT	1	3	42	49	5
NE	0	0	21	69	10
NC	0	0	12	88	0
OH	0	5	30	50	15
OK	1	2	29	53	15
OR	0	21	59	19	1
SD	0	4	35	49	12
TX	1	10	37	38	14
WA	0	0	50	50	0
18 Sts	1	4	30	53	12
Prev Wk	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Prev Yr	2	10	33	47	8

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Oct 26, 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	27	34	24	4
IL	0	2	10	62	26
KS	1	5	27	56	11
LA	0	11	44	42	3
MO	1	5	39	47	8
NE	1	4	19	55	21
NM	0	29	34	36	1
OK	2	14	27	54	3
SD	2	4	24	55	15
TX	5	14	36	40	5
11 Sts	3	10	31	47	9
Prev Wk	3	10	31	47	9
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 26, 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	4	16	35	39	6	NJ	0	0	59	41	0
AZ	5	22	33	27	13	NM	2	13	39	34	12
AR	0	2	29	59	10	NY	0	11	37	44	8
CA	80	15	5	0	0	NC	4	17	28	44	7
CO	8	24	38	25	5	ND	22	26	25	21	6
CT	6	13	28	47	6	OH	13	21	26	35	5
DE	8	20	52	19	1	OK	2	8	36	46	8
FL	3	6	37	49	5	OR	20	27	36	16	1
GA	7	20	50	22	1	PA	14	18	43	19	6
ID	0	29	36	35	0	RI	0	40	30	30	0
IL	3	7	24	59	7	SC	3	16	42	37	2
IN	14	22	38	21	5	SD	2	7	28	51	12
IA	5	16	30	39	10	TN	14	30	34	20	2
KS	3	9	25	54	9	TX	12	23	37	24	4
KY	37	35	22	6	0	UT	8	15	32	40	5
LA	7	16	46	29	2	VT	0	25	56	19	0
ME	1	8	23	67	1	VA	8	19	43	28	2
MD	2	14	34	45	5	WA	26	34	32	8	0
MA	0	0	0	93	7	WV	14	38	33	14	1
MI	3	20	41	30	6	WI	8	19	37	33	3
MN	6	18	38	35	3	WY	5	10	41	38	6
MS	1	6	34	49	10						
MO	1	6	31	54	8	48 Sts	12	17	32	34	5
MT	10	20	41	24	5						
NE	2	9	26	54	9	Prev Wk	12	17	33	33	5
NV	32	45	20	3	0	Prev Yr	15	17	30	32	6
NH	12	16	33	33	6						

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](http://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.

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