

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 Harvested, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	64	54	89	86
IL	52	31	87	95
IN	63	41	92	92
IA	59	34	69	89
KS	80	68	86	95
KY	95	86	99	99
MI	35	16	81	81
MN	43	23	79	91
MO	72	62	79	92
NE	48	30	66	86
NC	100	100	100	100
ND	8	3	32	74
OH	58	37	87	85
PA	60	51	81	84
SD	27	18	58	82
TN	98	95	100	100
TX	97	92	96	99
WI	38	23	67	77
18 Sts	54	37	77	89

¹ These 18 States harvested 94% of last year's corn acreage.

Soybeans: Percent Harvested, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	82	66	93	92
IL	90	69	99	99
IN	93	81	98	97
IA	96	83	98	99
KS	82	72	87	94
KY	81	61	91	88
LA	96	90	100	100
MI	94	79	99	95
MN	92	77	99	99
MS	94	82	99	100
MO	83	64	82	89
NE	97	90	100	99
NC	45	37	40	42
ND	80	64	94	98
OH	97	91	100	96
SD	93	76	100	100
TN	76	55	94	89
WI	88	54	100	97
18 Sts	89	75	95	96

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

Sugarbeets: Percent Harvested, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
ID	100	97	97	98
MI	98	89	97	97
MN	97	92	99	100
ND	97	94	99	100
4 Sts	98	93	98	99

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

Sunflower: Percent Harvested, Selected States¹

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	65	60	89	90
KS	53	40	69	85
ND	60	32	82	88
SD	59	24	60	82
4 Sts	59	33	75	86

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	49	36	90	85
AZ	70	65	59	65
AR	71	46	98	94
CA	81	69	71	83
GA	44	34	68	73
KS	5	3	17	35
LA	89	64	99	99
MS	85	52	95	98
MO	69	33	100	90
NC	63	51	81	82
OK	35	26	43	58
SC	60	53	71	73
TN	59	33	98	91
TX	58	44	38	49
VA	66	62	72	78
15 Sts	60	44	63	68

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	50	41	94	89
FL	93	88	97	98
GA	78	70	92	92
NC	90	88	100	99
OK	78	60	88	86
SC	99	97	98	98
TX	81	75	92	84
VA	100	99	97	98
8 Sts	78	72	94	92

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	100	98	100	100
IL	99	92	100	100
KS	100	96	99	100
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	100	97	100	100
NE	96	93	100	100
NM	100	92	97	89
OK	95	76	99	96
SD	100	100	100	100
TX	95	94	98	98
11 Sts	97	94	99	99

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	54	44	81	79
IL	74	47	85	94
KS	59	37	71	85
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	68	55	80	91
NE	44	27	60	87
NM	70	38	41	48
OK	68	42	53	67
SD	79	67	71	91
TX	76	75	83	84
11 Sts	68	56	76	84

¹ These 11 States harvested 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	52	32	86	80
CA	70	54	39	35
CO	99	99	100	100
ID	100	99	100	100
IL	77	63	99	98
IN	85	73	99	98
KS	93	90	97	99
MI	95	87	100	98
MO	54	38	86	87
MT	99	98	100	100
NE	100	100	100	100
NC	52	43	64	67
OH	95	92	100	98
OK	93	88	99	97
OR	100	97	98	99
SD	100	100	100	100
TX	87	82	94	92
WA	100	100	100	100
18 Sts	90	86	96	95

¹ These 18 States planted 87% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 8, 2009	Nov 15, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	26	22	71	63
CA	40	22	19	20
CO	94	89	99	100
ID	92	81	93	92
IL	45	37	91	92
IN	55	40	93	90
KS	82	78	90	92
MI	83	64	97	92
MO	33	21	62	72
MT	88	79	97	95
NE	100	97	100	100
NC	24	14	29	34
OH	76	63	100	93
OK	82	79	91	89
OR	82	67	54	75
SD	95	92	99	99
TX	73	68	82	76
WA	91	90	80	92
18 Sts	77	71	86	87

¹ These 18 States planted 87% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Nov 15, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	7	20	18	44	11
IL	2	7	29	50	12
IN	3	9	27	47	14
IA	2	5	18	53	22
KS	3	5	26	47	19
KY	0	1	7	49	43
MI	5	14	31	39	11
MN	1	5	22	54	18
MO	3	6	24	50	17
NE	2	6	13	53	26
NC	5	15	24	43	13
ND	4	12	33	42	9
OH	1	3	20	45	31
PA	0	4	14	48	34
SD	1	6	26	46	21
TN	3	5	14	52	26
TX	25	14	24	31	6
WI	3	9	29	43	16
18 Sts	3	7	23	48	19
Prev Wk	3	7	22	49	19
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Winter Wheat: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States
Week Ending Nov 15, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	6	21	49	23	1
CA	0	0	10	55	35
CO	0	5	17	53	25
ID	0	0	19	71	10
IL	0	12	46	38	4
IN	2	4	51	38	5
KS	1	3	22	61	13
MI	1	4	43	41	11
MO	0	5	40	55	0
MT	2	4	44	46	4
NE	0	1	29	59	11
NC	4	5	19	66	6
OH	1	3	33	52	11
OK	1	1	21	51	26
OR	0	0	47	45	8
SD	0	2	23	66	9
TX	4	10	41	41	4
WA	0	5	41	45	9
18 Sts	1	5	30	52	12
Prev Wk	2	5	30	52	11
Prev Yr	1	6	27	55	11

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States,
Week Ending Nov 15, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	6	19	47	28	0
AZ	0	3	27	42	28
AR	22	20	27	22	9
CA	0	0	25	60	15
GA	2	8	37	45	8
KS	7	13	41	33	6
LA	22	46	27	4	1
MS	22	26	37	15	0
MO	1	13	31	53	2
NC	1	3	15	62	19
OK	0	7	20	55	18
SC	0	2	43	54	1
TN	1	6	40	45	8
TX	17	19	30	27	7
VA	0	6	12	52	30
15 Sts	13	16	31	32	8
Prev Wk	12	15	30	35	8
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 2008 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, Friday, 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/index.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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