



Crop Progress

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Cotton Bolls Opening – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2009 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	23	62	73	54
Arizona	72	50	70	73
Arkansas	33	82	88	64
California	33	22	25	39
Georgia	30	64	73	45
Kansas	13	25	30	13
Louisiana	80	90	97	85
Mississippi	61	86	92	74
Missouri	17	71	79	51
North Carolina	46	65	82	58
Oklahoma	34	34	55	31
South Carolina	56	31	49	45
Tennessee	30	68	79	56
Texas	29	23	41	30
Virginia	39	12	40	63
15 States	33	41	56	41

Cotton Harvested – Selected States

[These 15 States harvested 99% of the 2009 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	-	5	3
Arizona	14	5	10	10
Arkansas	-	4	9	2
California	-	-	-	-
Georgia	-	1	3	1
Kansas	-	-	-	-
Louisiana	3	16	33	9
Mississippi	-	9	19	5
Missouri	-	-	3	3
North Carolina	-	-	-	-
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	-	-	-	-
Tennessee	-	-	4	1
Texas	13	9	10	15
Virginia	-	-	1	-
15 States	7	6	8	8

- Represents zero.

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 12, 2010

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2009 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	7	24	39	29	1
Arizona	-	1	8	68	23
Arkansas	1	5	32	42	20
California	-	-	15	55	30
Georgia	11	20	30	31	8
Kansas	2	5	32	55	6
Louisiana	1	14	31	50	4
Mississippi	4	10	28	46	12
Missouri	12	20	27	36	5
North Carolina	5	16	37	34	8
Oklahoma	2	11	38	35	14
South Carolina	1	10	30	52	7
Tennessee	1	3	27	57	12
Texas	2	6	28	47	17
Virginia	9	27	47	17	-
15 States	3	9	29	45	14
Previous week	3	9	28	45	15
Previous year	9	10	30	40	11

- Represents zero.

Corn Dented – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2009 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	55	55	70	63
Illinois	54	93	97	83
Indiana	57	91	96	79
Iowa	73	90	97	83
Kansas	85	92	98	93
Kentucky	91	94	98	94
Michigan	38	85	94	73
Minnesota	52	85	94	83
Missouri	84	88	94	91
Nebraska	83	83	92	89
North Carolina	100	100	100	99
North Dakota	22	77	86	66
Ohio	64	80	90	80
Pennsylvania	54	65	73	71
South Dakota	55	79	85	81
Tennessee	96	99	100	99
Texas	94	83	92	96
Wisconsin	37	76	87	62
18 States	64	86	93	83

Corn Mature – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2009 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	16	3	10	21
Illinois	6	57	79	39
Indiana	6	46	69	28
Iowa	7	34	62	29
Kansas	30	49	70	53
Kentucky	42	75	87	71
Michigan	2	37	60	20
Minnesota	1	12	28	20
Missouri	32	51	65	60
Nebraska	9	8	26	22
North Carolina	93	93	96	93
North Dakota	-	14	24	17
Ohio	10	24	50	16
Pennsylvania	10	13	31	31
South Dakota	5	9	21	18
Tennessee	48	88	95	79
Texas	72	58	73	77
Wisconsin	3	15	27	15
18 States	12	33	52	32

- Represents zero.

Corn Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 94% of the 2009 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	2	-	-	1
Illinois	-	7	18	6
Indiana	-	5	13	2
Iowa	-	1	3	1
Kansas	3	15	28	14
Kentucky	5	33	54	19
Michigan	-	1	4	1
Minnesota	-	-	-	-
Missouri	6	16	23	22
Nebraska	-	-	2	2
North Carolina	35	48	67	41
North Dakota	-	-	-	-
Ohio	-	-	3	-
Pennsylvania	3	2	6	7
South Dakota	-	-	-	-
Tennessee	5	51	72	34
Texas	68	44	50	66
Wisconsin	-	-	-	-
18 States	3	6	11	6

- Represents zero.

Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 12, 2010

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2009 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	1	3	18	61	17
Illinois	5	11	25	45	14
Indiana	5	12	27	42	14
Iowa	4	8	20	45	23
Kansas	3	9	27	49	12
Kentucky	5	15	34	40	6
Michigan	2	7	19	45	27
Minnesota	1	2	7	53	37
Missouri	7	17	30	37	9
Nebraska	1	3	13	57	26
North Carolina	17	17	31	28	7
North Dakota	2	3	13	57	25
Ohio	2	9	26	48	15
Pennsylvania	7	21	24	36	12
South Dakota	2	9	25	47	17
Tennessee	8	14	31	38	9
Texas	10	9	19	45	17
Wisconsin	1	4	13	41	41
18 States	4	8	20	47	21
Previous week	3	8	20	47	22
Previous year	3	6	22	49	20

Soybeans Dropping Leaves – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2009 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	19	27	36	31
Illinois	3	17	42	23
Indiana	14	39	60	32
Iowa	16	9	32	29
Kansas	20	9	20	26
Kentucky	17	30	53	20
Louisiana	60	62	71	67
Michigan	3	15	38	22
Minnesota	14	12	37	33
Mississippi	48	72	75	69
Missouri	7	5	12	14
Nebraska	12	4	20	17
North Carolina	7	3	14	13
North Dakota	5	18	36	40
Ohio	22	29	52	33
South Dakota	43	30	48	49
Tennessee	23	37	49	43
Wisconsin	5	8	25	23
18 States	16	19	38	30

Soybean Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 12, 2010

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2009 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	5	19	34	33	9
Illinois	4	7	25	49	15
Indiana	6	13	29	40	12
Iowa	3	7	21	47	22
Kansas	5	12	32	44	7
Kentucky	8	22	43	20	7
Louisiana	1	6	28	54	11
Michigan	3	6	24	46	21
Minnesota	1	2	9	57	31
Mississippi	7	14	29	38	12
Missouri	6	13	33	38	10
Nebraska	2	3	15	55	25
North Carolina	8	19	32	36	5
North Dakota	2	2	11	60	25
Ohio	2	9	29	46	14
South Dakota	2	11	25	49	13
Tennessee	8	17	30	38	7
Wisconsin	1	2	14	44	39
18 States	4	9	24	46	17
Previous week	3	9	24	46	18
Previous year	2	6	24	51	17

Sugarbeets Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 84% of the 2009 sugarbeet acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	-	(NA)	-	-
Michigan	-	(NA)	11	-
Minnesota	4	(NA)	9	4
North Dakota	4	(NA)	9	4
4 States	3	(NA)	8	3

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

[These 8 States harvested 98% of the 2009 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	(NA)	-	1
Florida	17	(NA)	14	8
Georgia	1	(NA)	1	1
North Carolina	-	(NA)	-	1
Oklahoma	-	(NA)	-	-
South Carolina	5	(NA)	5	3
Texas	-	(NA)	-	1
Virginia	-	(NA)	-	-
8 States	2	(NA)	2	2

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Peanut Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 12, 2010

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2009 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	4	12	51	26	7
Florida	-	10	16	63	11
Georgia	2	11	34	42	11
North Carolina	4	11	53	31	1
Oklahoma	1	1	24	58	16
South Carolina	-	1	26	64	9
Texas	-	1	12	57	30
Virginia	27	30	31	12	-
8 States	2	9	32	44	13
Previous week	1	7	32	48	12
Previous year	-	2	28	57	13

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Coloring – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2009 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	67	55	70	65
Illinois	64	78	89	77
Kansas	64	69	84	71
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	61	80	86	75
Nebraska	51	69	93	75
New Mexico	23	29	35	39
Oklahoma	60	62	69	62
South Dakota	78	89	94	84
Texas	75	80	87	78
11 States	68	74	85	74

Sorghum Mature – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2009 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	91	100	100	92
Colorado	31	12	20	25
Illinois	7	17	52	38
Kansas	4	9	19	13
Louisiana	100	100	100	99
Missouri	20	35	50	36
Nebraska	-	1	3	7
New Mexico	-	-	1	4
Oklahoma	15	21	35	22
South Dakota	10	11	22	16
Texas	66	56	61	68
11 States	32	30	38	38

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 11 States harvested 99% of the 2009 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	33	77	89	54
Colorado	5	-	-	2
Illinois	-	2	15	4
Kansas	-	2	3	3
Louisiana	92	93	98	89
Missouri	1	6	12	9
Nebraska	-	-	-	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-
Oklahoma	2	-	13	8
South Dakota	1	-	1	1
Texas	64	44	45	66
11 States	26	19	21	28

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 12, 2010

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2009 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	4	20	55	19	2
Colorado	2	8	26	50	14
Illinois	6	5	30	47	12
Kansas	3	10	30	49	8
Louisiana	1	1	30	68	-
Missouri	2	7	28	57	6
Nebraska	-	2	19	58	21
New Mexico	-	-	38	58	4
Oklahoma	2	4	31	48	15
South Dakota	1	4	19	64	12
Texas	1	6	30	53	10
11 States	2	7	29	52	10
Previous week	3	8	27	53	9
Previous year	11	10	29	40	10

- Represents zero.

Rice Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 100% of the 2009 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	19	47	59	26
California	7	-	-	6
Louisiana	85	80	87	82
Mississippi	25	50	67	32
Missouri	14	23	41	16
Texas	90	97	98	92
6 States	31	45	54	34

- Represents zero.

Rice Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 12, 2010

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2009 planted acres]

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Arkansas	3	9	33	40	15
California	-	5	25	65	5
Louisiana	-	2	25	56	17
Mississippi	1	4	19	47	29
Missouri	-	1	10	57	32
Texas	1	3	36	48	12
6 States	2	6	28	48	16
Previous week	1	4	27	51	17
Previous year	2	6	29	43	20

- Represents zero.

Spring Wheat Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 99% of the 2009 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	88	58	69	93
Minnesota	67	100	100	92
Montana	71	38	56	89
North Dakota	54	80	85	88
South Dakota	99	99	100	100
Washington	99	87	95	98
6 States	67	76	83	91

Barley Harvested – Selected States

[These 5 States harvested 81% of the 2009 barley acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 12, 2009	September 5, 2010	September 12, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	81	64	77	88
Minnesota	77	100	100	95
Montana	77	58	65	89
North Dakota	82	94	97	96
Washington	99	93	95	97
5 States	81	78	84	92

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 12, 2010

[National pasture and range conditions for selected States are weighted based on pasture acreage and/or livestock inventories]

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Alabama	10	30	42	18	-
Arizona	24	14	20	30	12
Arkansas	17	34	43	6	-
California	5	30	25	40	-
Colorado	1	11	44	42	2
Connecticut	5	54	35	6	-
Delaware	8	17	42	30	3
Florida	1	1	15	55	28
Georgia	10	26	42	20	2
Idaho	1	13	32	52	2
Illinois	5	10	37	40	8
Indiana	24	30	32	13	1
Iowa	2	5	25	50	18
Kansas	4	12	38	42	4
Kentucky	17	32	22	26	3
Louisiana	6	16	38	35	5
Maine	2	23	46	23	6
Maryland	21	26	28	24	1
Massachusetts	-	-	49	51	-
Michigan	4	12	39	37	8
Minnesota	-	1	13	63	23
Mississippi	5	24	38	29	4
Missouri	11	14	36	34	5
Montana	3	7	36	45	9
Nebraska	1	4	18	66	11
Nevada	3	9	63	24	1
New Hampshire	8	7	20	65	-
New Jersey	10	40	30	20	-
New Mexico	4	12	31	50	3
New York	1	7	34	51	7
North Carolina	9	28	33	28	2
North Dakota	-	6	30	54	10
Ohio	7	23	37	27	6
Oklahoma	8	18	46	26	2
Oregon	13	17	46	21	3
Pennsylvania	26	22	38	10	4
Rhode Island	-	-	16	84	-
South Carolina	8	20	32	40	-
South Dakota	4	11	24	49	12
Tennessee	10	23	39	26	2
Texas	6	19	40	30	5
Utah	1	4	28	56	11
Vermont	-	33	39	28	-
Virginia	27	33	30	10	-
Washington	13	8	35	42	2
West Virginia	32	28	27	12	1
Wisconsin	-	2	15	57	26
Wyoming	-	8	28	53	11
48 States	7	16	33	37	7
Previous week	7	16	32	38	7
Previous year	10	13	29	40	8

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Barley: Harvested
Corn: Dent, Mature, Harvested, Condition
Cotton: Bolls Opening, Harvested, Condition
Pasture and Range: Condition
Peanuts: Harvested, Condition
Rice: Harvested
Sorghum: Coloring, Mature, Harvested, Condition
Soybeans: Dropping Leaves, Harvested, Condition
Spring Wheat: Harvested
Sugarbeets: Harvested
Winter Wheat: Planted

Statistical Methodology

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 approximately 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 the progress of crops through various stages of development, as well as the progress of producer activities. 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 entire 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 2009 season, over 80 percent of the data were being submitted through the internet website. As a result, the majority 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.

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 at 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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Monday October 25, 2010

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For registration details or additional information for the Data Users' Meeting, see the NASS homepage at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/meeting/> or contact Marie Jordan (NASS) at 202-690-8141 or at marie_jordan@nass.usda.gov.

This Data Users' Meeting precedes an Industry Outlook Meeting that will be held at the same location on Tuesday October 26, 2010. The Outlook meeting brings together analysts from various commodity sectors to discuss the outlook situation. For registration details or additional information for the Industry Outlook Meeting, see the Livestock and Marketing Information Center (LMIC) homepage at <http://www.lmic.info/> or contact Erica Rosa 303-236-0461 at rosa@lmic.info or Laura Lahr 303-236-0464 at lahr@lmic.info.