



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 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	44	81	84	74
Arizona	85	78	85	89
Arkansas	56	94	98	84
California	61	35	50	61
Georgia	55	85	92	70
Kansas	29	45	70	32
Louisiana	89	98	99	95
Mississippi	73	95	97	89
Missouri	42	88	95	77
North Carolina	77	88	91	83
Oklahoma	55	75	88	61
South Carolina	76	68	81	73
Tennessee	51	92	95	83
Texas	50	53	68	52
Virginia	59	60	71	85
15 States	55	67	78	63

Cotton Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	14	22	9
Arizona	20	12	15	16
Arkansas	-	23	39	12
California	2	-	-	1
Georgia	-	7	12	4
Kansas	-	-	-	-
Louisiana	5	48	69	25
Mississippi	-	37	51	23
Missouri	-	10	31	13
North Carolina	-	-	11	2
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	3	1	10	3
Tennessee	-	14	26	9
Texas	16	13	14	19
Virginia	2	4	12	3
15 States	8	13	19	14

- Represents zero.

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 26, 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	8	29	38	24	1
Arizona	-	1	18	59	22
Arkansas	1	4	23	45	27
California	-	-	15	60	25
Georgia	13	23	35	24	5
Kansas	1	4	25	62	8
Louisiana	1	14	30	51	4
Mississippi	3	9	28	45	15
Missouri	12	20	26	33	9
North Carolina	4	16	38	37	5
Oklahoma	2	10	39	36	13
South Carolina	4	13	30	49	4
Tennessee	1	4	27	58	10
Texas	2	7	31	44	16
Virginia	21	32	36	11	-
15 States	4	10	31	41	14
Previous week	4	9	29	44	14
Previous year	9	12	30	39	10

- Represents zero.

Corn Mature – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	41	32	55	56
Illinois	22	90	97	69
Indiana	29	88	94	60
Iowa	43	79	91	68
Kansas	74	84	93	85
Kentucky	76	93	96	90
Michigan	18	75	90	59
Minnesota	15	49	79	56
Missouri	66	80	90	81
Nebraska	30	48	78	59
North Carolina	99	100	100	100
North Dakota	5	47	71	52
Ohio	23	72	85	52
Pennsylvania	34	47	69	61
South Dakota	31	43	67	57
Tennessee	81	98	99	94
Texas	78	77	91	88
Wisconsin	19	47	63	45
18 States	35	69	85	65

Corn Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	9	3	9	8
Illinois	2	38	57	21
Indiana	2	27	46	11
Iowa	2	6	8	5
Kansas	17	39	54	34
Kentucky	17	68	80	44
Michigan	-	13	19	5
Minnesota	-	1	2	3
Missouri	18	34	42	43
Nebraska	3	5	10	7
North Carolina	68	82	87	72
North Dakota	-	-	-	2
Ohio	1	11	24	5
Pennsylvania	10	16	30	20
South Dakota	-	1	2	5
Tennessee	16	84	93	62
Texas	70	57	64	73
Wisconsin	-	2	8	4
18 States	6	18	27	15

- Represents zero.

Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 26, 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	65	13
Illinois	5	13	29	43	10
Indiana	5	11	27	44	13
Iowa	4	9	20	45	22
Kansas	3	9	29	48	11
Kentucky	5	15	34	40	6
Michigan	2	6	18	48	26
Minnesota	1	3	11	53	32
Missouri	7	16	28	39	10
Nebraska	1	4	14	58	23
North Carolina	17	17	31	28	7
North Dakota	2	3	12	58	25
Ohio	2	9	25	46	18
Pennsylvania	4	18	24	40	14
South Dakota	2	8	17	56	17
Tennessee	8	14	31	38	9
Texas	10	9	19	45	17
Wisconsin	1	3	11	45	40
18 States	4	9	21	47	19
Previous week	3	8	21	48	20
Previous year	3	7	22	49	19

Soybeans Dropping Leaves – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	36	47	62	50
Illinois	38	65	80	67
Indiana	60	79	89	74
Iowa	72	57	75	79
Kansas	56	37	54	63
Kentucky	57	69	84	61
Louisiana	77	74	89	84
Michigan	49	66	86	68
Minnesota	76	68	90	86
Mississippi	59	79	87	82
Missouri	38	27	44	49
Nebraska	69	44	81	74
North Carolina	25	23	38	32
North Dakota	66	68	81	86
Ohio	73	78	88	80
South Dakota	84	72	84	89
Tennessee	56	66	84	71
Wisconsin	48	50	72	71
18 States	59	60	77	72

Soybeans Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	8	21	33	23
Illinois	1	10	22	13
Indiana	3	20	41	10
Iowa	5	4	7	15
Kansas	1	1	7	4
Kentucky	2	12	18	7
Louisiana	50	55	67	61
Michigan	1	5	17	8
Minnesota	4	3	6	13
Mississippi	30	55	65	59
Missouri	2	1	4	5
Nebraska	6	1	9	10
North Carolina	-	-	4	1
North Dakota	3	1	3	17
Ohio	5	11	29	9
South Dakota	2	1	3	7
Tennessee	1	12	29	14
Wisconsin	-	-	4	5
18 States	5	8	17	13

- Represents zero.

Soybean Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 26, 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	6	19	33	33	9
Illinois	3	8	27	49	13
Indiana	6	12	29	41	12
Iowa	3	7	19	47	24
Kansas	4	13	35	40	8
Kentucky	12	23	38	23	4
Louisiana	1	8	27	46	18
Michigan	2	6	24	48	20
Minnesota	2	4	13	53	28
Mississippi	7	14	29	38	12
Missouri	5	13	31	41	10
Nebraska	2	4	18	55	21
North Carolina	14	21	32	29	4
North Dakota	2	2	12	61	23
Ohio	1	9	30	44	16
South Dakota	2	10	22	51	15
Tennessee	8	19	32	36	5
Wisconsin	1	2	11	47	39
18 States	4	9	24	46	17
Previous week	3	9	25	46	17
Previous year	2	7	25	50	16

Sugarbeets Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	7	-	7	6
Michigan	7	16	21	6
Minnesota	11	13	16	11
North Dakota	9	13	15	10
4 States	9	11	15	9

- Represents zero.

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	1	-	10	10
Florida	26	23	37	22
Georgia	3	6	13	8
North Carolina	3	3	9	6
Oklahoma	-	-	-	3
South Carolina	17	14	28	16
Texas	27	3	21	9
Virginia	-	-	4	5
8 States	9	6	16	10

- Represents zero.

Peanut Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 26, 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	9	17	47	26	1
Florida	1	14	33	45	7
Georgia	6	15	38	33	8
North Carolina	7	15	56	21	1
Oklahoma	3	1	21	66	9
South Carolina	-	3	31	59	7
Texas	-	1	9	70	20
Virginia	37	37	18	8	-
8 States	5	13	35	39	8
Previous week	4	13	34	39	10
Previous year	-	1	29	55	15

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Coloring – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	94	95	97	88
Illinois	84	94	97	91
Kansas	84	92	96	89
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	87	91	93	90
Nebraska	86	94	95	95
New Mexico	84	* 61	71	70
Oklahoma	89	83	90	82
South Dakota	93	98	100	97
Texas	85	90	96	87
11 States	85	91	96	88

* Revised.

Sorghum Mature – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	99	100	100	99
Colorado	56	30	40	52
Illinois	24	74	76	64
Kansas	19	31	52	36
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	44	63	72	61
Nebraska	14	16	45	42
New Mexico	12	* 8	10	12
Oklahoma	31	44	55	38
South Dakota	34	43	66	50
Texas	68	66	79	73
11 States	42	47	64	54

* Revised.

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	38	97	99	75
Colorado	9	-	1	7
Illinois	1	26	32	17
Kansas	3	6	13	9
Louisiana	97	99	100	97
Missouri	6	21	25	26
Nebraska	-	1	2	3
New Mexico	-	-	-	-
Oklahoma	6	17	24	16
South Dakota	6	2	2	8
Texas	66	46	60	70
11 States	28	23	32	34

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 26, 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	4	16	65	13
Illinois	8	6	31	43	12
Kansas	3	9	29	51	8
Louisiana	1	1	30	68	-
Missouri	2	6	27	60	5
Nebraska	-	2	26	56	16
New Mexico	-	-	65	35	-
Oklahoma	2	3	29	50	16
South Dakota	1	4	21	66	8
Texas	2	10	29	52	7
11 States	2	8	29	53	8
Previous week	2	7	29	53	9
Previous year	11	10	30	41	8

- Represents zero.

Rice Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	31	74	82	55
California	37	2	5	32
Louisiana	88	92	96	92
Mississippi	29	79	85	63
Missouri	25	55	83	42
Texas	92	99	100	97
6 States	43	64	72	59

Winter Wheat Planted – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 89% of the 2010 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	5	1	3	3
California	6	2	3	7
Colorado	66	40	65	68
Idaho	46	22	35	42
Illinois	4	3	8	5
Indiana	2	3	10	5
Kansas	21	11	21	28
Michigan	18	8	19	19
Missouri	3	2	4	6
Montana	66	18	32	60
Nebraska	70	51	69	67
North Carolina	1	-	1	1
Ohio	1	2	8	5
Oklahoma	31	13	30	36
Oregon	36	16	26	31
South Dakota	64	* 37	61	64
Texas	39	25	36	37
Washington	71	50	72	63
18 States	36	* 20	33	38

* Revised.

- Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 89% of the 2010 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	2	(NA)	-	1
California	-	(NA)	-	-
Colorado	27	(NA)	26	29
Idaho	6	(NA)	6	7
Illinois	1	(NA)	-	1
Indiana	-	(NA)	-	-
Kansas	7	(NA)	4	9
Michigan	-	(NA)	-	1
Missouri	1	(NA)	1	2
Montana	8	(NA)	6	11
Nebraska	42	(NA)	25	31
North Carolina	-	(NA)	-	-
Ohio	-	(NA)	-	-
Oklahoma	9	(NA)	8	11
Oregon	1	(NA)	6	6
South Dakota	21	(NA)	27	22
Texas	11	(NA)	9	11
Washington	41	(NA)	47	30
18 States	12	(NA)	10	12

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Spring Wheat Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	97	85	94	99
Minnesota	96	100	100	99
Montana	94	64	65	98
North Dakota	89	89	92	98
South Dakota	100	100	100	100
Washington	100	99	100	100
6 States	93	87	89	98

Barley Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2005-2009 Average
	September 26, 2009	September 19, 2010	September 26, 2010	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	95	84	91	97
Minnesota	98	100	100	100
Montana	89	69	73	95
North Dakota	97	100	100	99
Washington	100	98	100	100
5 States	94	88	91	98

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 26, 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	16	40	33	11	-
Arizona	23	15	27	27	8
Arkansas	13	33	35	19	-
California	5	30	25	40	-
Colorado	1	27	40	29	3
Connecticut	7	41	35	17	-
Delaware	11	21	36	29	3
Florida	1	4	25	50	20
Georgia	20	29	37	13	1
Idaho	2	20	35	40	3
Illinois	7	10	36	42	5
Indiana	31	29	30	9	1
Iowa	1	6	26	52	15
Kansas	5	13	36	43	3
Kentucky	36	29	18	16	1
Louisiana	12	30	34	22	2
Maine	1	8	33	58	-
Maryland	17	24	40	19	-
Massachusetts	-	3	49	46	2
Michigan	1	17	31	40	11
Minnesota	-	3	20	58	19
Mississippi	28	39	27	5	1
Missouri	8	7	35	41	9
Montana	1	6	36	46	11
Nebraska	1	2	14	74	9
Nevada	4	11	61	23	1
New Hampshire	11	9	19	61	-
New Jersey	-	20	55	25	-
New Mexico	4	12	33	47	4
New York	4	10	34	45	7
North Carolina	19	34	26	20	1
North Dakota	-	4	26	56	14
Ohio	12	26	39	19	4
Oklahoma	5	18	39	35	3
Oregon	3	21	46	23	7
Pennsylvania	30	28	31	10	1
Rhode Island	-	-	36	64	-
South Carolina	18	29	36	17	-
South Dakota	1	9	21	59	10
Tennessee	19	26	35	20	-
Texas	6	14	33	38	9
Utah	1	13	34	47	5
Vermont	-	37	50	13	-
Virginia	37	33	24	6	-
Washington	2	9	37	49	3
West Virginia	31	36	29	3	1
Wisconsin	1	3	19	55	22
Wyoming	-	13	34	44	9
48 States	8	17	31	37	7
Previous week	7	16	31	39	7
Previous year	9	13	30	40	8

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

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

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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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.