



# Crop Progress

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## Cotton Squaring – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2010 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	91	71	81	94
Arizona .....	98	95	99	99
Arkansas .....	100	100	100	100
California .....	100	90	92	99
Georgia .....	100	88	90	98
Kansas .....	99	87	91	99
Louisiana .....	100	100	100	100
Mississippi .....	100	99	100	100
Missouri .....	100	99	100	100
North Carolina .....	100	94	100	100
Oklahoma .....	98	47	62	90
South Carolina .....	98	91	92	98
Tennessee .....	100	97	100	100
Texas .....	97	90	96	93
Virginia .....	92	100	100	96
15 States .....	98	90	95	96

## Cotton Setting Bolls – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2010 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	72	51	59	69
Arizona .....	79	70	85	86
Arkansas .....	99	98	100	99
California .....	84	75	85	85
Georgia .....	94	61	70	86
Kansas .....	65	26	41	67
Louisiana .....	94	96	98	96
Mississippi .....	99	82	94	96
Missouri .....	100	74	100	91
North Carolina .....	93	82	91	90
Oklahoma .....	64	6	13	50
South Carolina .....	63	59	68	64
Tennessee .....	92	65	87	91
Texas .....	75	55	79	64
Virginia .....	66	68	70	80
15 States .....	82	62	79	74

## Cotton Bolls Opening – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2010 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	4	(NA)	-	3
Arizona .....	25	(NA)	30	19
Arkansas .....	5	(NA)	-	2
California .....	-	(NA)	5	2
Georgia .....	6	(NA)	2	2
Kansas .....	1	(NA)	1	-
Louisiana .....	16	(NA)	24	8
Mississippi .....	11	(NA)	1	4
Missouri .....	-	(NA)	-	2
North Carolina .....	1	(NA)	1	1
Oklahoma .....	-	(NA)	-	-
South Carolina .....	-	(NA)	6	-
Tennessee .....	3	(NA)	-	1
Texas .....	11	(NA)	14	13
Virginia .....	-	(NA)	1	4
15 States .....	8	(NA)	9	8

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

## Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	12	17	28	37	6
Arizona .....	-	1	7	59	33
Arkansas .....	3	14	34	35	14
California .....	-	-	25	60	15
Georgia .....	12	17	40	28	3
Kansas .....	16	15	41	24	4
Louisiana .....	3	26	35	31	5
Mississippi .....	2	8	22	50	18
Missouri .....	4	4	32	55	5
North Carolina .....	1	9	38	45	7
Oklahoma .....	49	38	11	2	-
South Carolina .....	2	17	45	34	2
Tennessee .....	-	1	21	66	12
Texas .....	36	25	27	11	1
Virginia .....	-	-	13	67	20
15 States .....	22	19	29	25	5
Previous week .....	22	18	30	25	5
Previous year .....	2	8	25	47	18

- Represents zero.

## Corn Silking – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2010 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado .....	94	50	80	87
Illinois .....	100	97	99	96
Indiana .....	97	81	93	93
Iowa .....	97	90	96	92
Kansas .....	100	89	96	98
Kentucky .....	93	74	82	95
Michigan .....	97	72	90	88
Minnesota .....	99	83	95	95
Missouri .....	95	92	98	95
Nebraska .....	98	89	98	97
North Carolina .....	100	99	99	100
North Dakota .....	95	60	81	84
Ohio .....	98	58	83	96
Pennsylvania .....	95	75	89	87
South Dakota .....	83	57	75	77
Tennessee .....	100	98	100	100
Texas .....	98	92	97	98
Wisconsin .....	96	72	89	84
18 States .....	97	83	93	93

## Corn Dough – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2010 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado .....	18	1	10	20
Illinois .....	76	38	56	57
Indiana .....	62	8	24	39
Iowa .....	34	4	19	23
Kansas .....	71	40	60	61
Kentucky .....	57	25	35	49
Michigan .....	47	3	18	25
Minnesota .....	18	2	8	14
Missouri .....	63	47	65	63
Nebraska .....	50	17	34	45
North Carolina .....	93	85	92	91
North Dakota .....	29	4	7	21
Ohio .....	60	5	15	39
Pennsylvania .....	35	12	20	28
South Dakota .....	29	2	6	20
Tennessee .....	94	67	80	88
Texas .....	65	61	71	77
Wisconsin .....	30	5	17	17
18 States .....	49	18	32	38

## Corn Dented – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2010 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado .....	-	-	-	1
Illinois .....	27	3	10	15
Indiana .....	17	-	-	7
Iowa .....	3	-	1	3
Kansas .....	24	7	21	19
Kentucky .....	38	6	15	26
Michigan .....	7	-	-	3
Minnesota .....	1	-	-	1
Missouri .....	24	12	27	27
Nebraska .....	6	-	1	6
North Carolina .....	77	48	71	59
North Dakota .....	-	-	-	1
Ohio .....	9	-	1	3
Pennsylvania .....	3	-	3	4
South Dakota .....	2	-	-	2
Tennessee .....	68	30	52	57
Texas .....	54	60	61	63
Wisconsin .....	2	-	-	1
18 States .....	14	4	7	10

- Represents zero.

## Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado .....	4	4	24	52	16
Illinois .....	4	13	33	41	9
Indiana .....	6	15	38	34	7
Iowa .....	2	5	20	51	22
Kansas .....	22	19	26	27	6
Kentucky .....	1	4	26	49	20
Michigan .....	3	10	22	43	22
Minnesota .....	2	5	19	55	19
Missouri .....	15	17	25	36	7
Nebraska .....	1	5	15	58	21
North Carolina .....	24	24	28	23	1
North Dakota .....	1	6	22	57	14
Ohio .....	2	11	37	43	7
Pennsylvania .....	8	20	36	28	8
South Dakota .....	1	4	17	58	20
Tennessee .....	-	5	24	53	18
Texas .....	40	32	20	8	-
Wisconsin .....	2	4	15	52	27
18 States .....	6	10	24	45	15
Previous week .....	5	9	24	46	16
Previous year .....	3	7	19	48	23

- Represents zero.

## Soybeans Blooming – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2010 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	94	79	87	88
Illinois .....	93	87	91	88
Indiana .....	93	66	80	85
Iowa .....	96	91	95	94
Kansas .....	79	67	77	83
Kentucky .....	86	60	71	78
Louisiana .....	99	95	97	98
Michigan .....	92	75	87	88
Minnesota .....	96	72	88	94
Mississippi .....	100	97	98	100
Missouri .....	75	66	79	73
Nebraska .....	96	81	90	94
North Carolina .....	75	53	68	65
North Dakota .....	98	80	89	96
Ohio .....	95	63	79	94
South Dakota .....	90	81	92	92
Tennessee .....	88	75	85	88
Wisconsin .....	88	71	89	85
18 States .....	92	77	87	89

## Soybeans Setting Pods – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2010 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	82	47	56	71
Illinois .....	69	45	57	60
Indiana .....	72	22	38	50
Iowa .....	79	50	69	76
Kansas .....	38	14	28	50
Kentucky .....	61	25	42	50
Louisiana .....	87	86	91	90
Michigan .....	68	19	48	59
Minnesota .....	74	24	48	67
Mississippi .....	93	84	90	94
Missouri .....	42	26	37	39
Nebraska .....	68	35	50	66
North Carolina .....	40	24	35	32
North Dakota .....	89	30	60	79
Ohio .....	75	12	23	67
South Dakota .....	59	26	49	58
Tennessee .....	69	44	60	70
Wisconsin .....	54	24	53	54
18 States .....	69	34	51	63

## Soybean Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	5	18	33	36	8
Illinois .....	3	8	32	47	10
Indiana .....	6	13	37	37	7
Iowa .....	1	5	19	52	23
Kansas .....	16	25	30	25	4
Kentucky .....	1	6	31	51	11
Louisiana .....	5	13	29	48	5
Michigan .....	2	9	27	44	18
Minnesota .....	2	6	22	52	18
Mississippi .....	3	9	23	53	12
Missouri .....	9	15	32	37	7
Nebraska .....	1	3	18	57	21
North Carolina .....	6	17	36	38	3
North Dakota .....	2	8	23	57	10
Ohio .....	2	7	33	49	9
South Dakota .....	1	3	17	62	17
Tennessee .....	-	7	23	58	12
Wisconsin .....	1	4	14	55	26
18 States .....	4	9	26	48	13
Previous week .....	3	9	28	46	14
Previous year .....	3	8	23	48	18

- Represents zero.

## Sorghum Headed – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2010 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	100	94	98	98
Colorado .....	60	33	40	56
Illinois .....	74	36	60	62
Kansas .....	55	14	30	50
Louisiana .....	100	100	100	99
Missouri .....	74	29	49	67
Nebraska .....	73	15	62	56
New Mexico .....	22	7	17	30
Oklahoma .....	71	48	55	47
South Dakota .....	66	20	52	66
Texas .....	85	78	79	82
11 States .....	68	42	52	63

## Sorghum Coloring – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2010 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	88	45	60	69
Colorado .....	21	8	15	24
Illinois .....	28	-	1	14
Kansas .....	6	-	1	4
Louisiana .....	96	85	98	89
Missouri .....	25	2	7	17
Nebraska .....	2	-	-	1
New Mexico .....	2	-	4	4
Oklahoma .....	20	27	29	14
South Dakota .....	7	1	3	12
Texas .....	59	68	69	66
11 States .....	28	28	29	30

- Represents zero.

## Sorghum Mature – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2010 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	29	1	6	13
Colorado .....	-	-	-	-
Illinois .....	-	-	-	-
Kansas .....	-	-	-	-
Louisiana .....	64	34	75	49
Missouri .....	1	-	-	-
Nebraska .....	-	-	-	-
New Mexico .....	-	-	-	-
Oklahoma .....	-	-	1	1
South Dakota .....	-	-	-	-
Texas .....	51	63	64	57
11 States .....	19	23	24	21

- Represents zero.

## Sorghum Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	2	11	40	38	9
Colorado .....	5	14	44	36	1
Illinois .....	-	8	47	44	1
Kansas .....	19	20	34	23	4
Louisiana .....	11	32	32	25	-
Missouri .....	2	20	42	35	1
Nebraska .....	-	2	17	74	7
New Mexico .....	31	24	39	6	-
Oklahoma .....	50	34	15	1	-
South Dakota .....	-	1	15	72	12
Texas .....	17	27	34	20	2
11 States .....	18	22	33	24	3
Previous week .....	20	24	32	22	2
Previous year .....	2	6	26	57	9

- Represents zero.

## Peanuts Pegging – Selected States

[These 8 States planted 98% of the 2010 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	68	55	64	64
Florida .....	90	85	89	90
Georgia .....	98	81	91	94
North Carolina .....	100	97	97	99
Oklahoma .....	92	92	93	94
South Carolina .....	97	88	90	97
Texas .....	91	89	92	88
Virginia .....	64	77	80	85
8 States .....	91	80	87	89

## Peanut Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	7	19	36	32	6
Florida .....	1	2	17	70	10
Georgia .....	6	13	41	33	7
North Carolina .....	1	4	34	49	12
Oklahoma .....	6	9	49	36	-
South Carolina .....	1	8	42	47	2
Texas .....	11	36	38	15	-
Virginia .....	-	-	29	47	24
8 States .....	6	15	36	37	6
Previous week .....	5	16	36	36	7
Previous year .....	1	8	31	49	11

- Represents zero.



## Rice Headed – Selected States

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2010 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	87	44	58	63
California .....	8	5	12	30
Louisiana .....	97	86	92	93
Mississippi .....	94	79	90	80
Missouri .....	74	10	22	54
Texas .....	86	89	97	93
6 States .....	76	47	58	65

## Rice Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acres]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	2	11	31	42	14
California .....	-	-	5	15	80
Louisiana .....	3	5	21	42	29
Mississippi .....	1	4	30	50	15
Missouri .....	1	5	21	49	24
Texas .....	6	1	38	38	17
6 States .....	2	7	25	39	27
Previous week .....	3	6	27	41	23
Previous year .....	-	5	23	52	20

- Represents zero.

## Winter Wheat Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 91% of the 2010 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas .....	100	100	100	100
California .....	100	96	98	100
Colorado .....	99	96	98	100
Idaho .....	16	2	8	34
Illinois .....	100	100	100	100
Indiana .....	100	100	100	100
Kansas .....	100	100	100	100
Michigan .....	100	80	90	97
Missouri .....	100	100	100	100
Montana .....	12	2	25	51
Nebraska .....	98	87	97	99
North Carolina .....	100	100	100	100
Ohio .....	100	100	100	100
Oklahoma .....	100	100	100	100
Oregon .....	64	18	29	74
South Dakota .....	94	72	91	90
Texas .....	100	100	100	99
Washington .....	35	7	20	53
18 States .....	87	81	85	91

### Spring Wheat Headed – Selected States

[These 6 States planted 99% of the 2010 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho .....	100	100	100	100
Minnesota .....	100	99	100	100
Montana .....	96	75	86	99
North Dakota .....	100	91	99	100
South Dakota .....	100	99	100	100
Washington .....	100	96	98	100
6 States .....	99	90	96	100

### Spring Wheat Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 99% of the 2010 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho .....	2	(NA)	-	7
Minnesota .....	42	(NA)	6	27
Montana .....	5	(NA)	-	17
North Dakota .....	11	(NA)	2	21
South Dakota .....	51	(NA)	36	55
Washington .....	8	(NA)	2	27
6 States .....	17	(NA)	6	24

- Represents zero.  
(NA) Not available.

### Spring Wheat Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho .....	-	1	8	81	10
Minnesota .....	2	6	26	53	13
Montana .....	4	8	36	45	7
North Dakota .....	1	4	23	59	13
South Dakota .....	1	8	31	48	12
Washington .....	-	7	32	52	9
6 States .....	2	5	27	55	11
Previous week .....	2	5	23	56	14
Previous year .....	-	3	15	66	16

- Represents zero.

## Barley Headed – Selected States

[These 5 States planted 75% of the 2010 barley acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho .....	100	100	100	100
Minnesota .....	100	100	100	100
Montana .....	96	83	91	97
North Dakota .....	100	93	99	100
Washington .....	100	98	99	100
5 States .....	99	92	96	99

## Barley Harvested – Selected States

[These 5 States harvested 78% of the 2010 barley acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho .....	7	(NA)	2	11
Minnesota .....	42	(NA)	7	40
Montana .....	5	(NA)	-	20
North Dakota .....	21	(NA)	3	31
Washington .....	8	(NA)	-	23
5 States .....	13	(NA)	2	23

- Represents zero.  
(NA) Not available.

## Barley Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho .....	-	3	10	66	21
Minnesota .....	1	2	21	61	15
Montana .....	4	7	33	47	9
North Dakota .....	-	5	20	64	11
Washington .....	1	3	17	70	9
5 States .....	1	5	22	59	13
Previous week .....	1	4	23	59	13
Previous year .....	1	3	13	65	18

- Represents zero.

## Oats Harvested – Selected States

[These 9 States harvested 67% of the 2010 oat acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	August 7, 2010	July 31, 2011	August 7, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Iowa .....	92	75	91	85
Minnesota .....	62	5	23	55
Nebraska .....	96	85	91	92
North Dakota .....	15	-	2	28
Ohio .....	99	40	79	87
Pennsylvania .....	79	28	53	58
South Dakota .....	62	21	58	67
Texas .....	100	100	100	99
Wisconsin .....	68	18	43	54
9 States .....	68	30	50	63

- Represents zero.

## Oat Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Iowa .....	1	4	25	56	14
Minnesota .....	1	5	22	59	13
Nebraska .....	1	1	11	77	10
North Dakota .....	-	2	20	63	15
Ohio .....	1	8	57	32	2
Pennsylvania .....	2	27	38	31	2
South Dakota .....	1	5	21	62	11
Texas .....	52	20	21	7	-
Wisconsin .....	1	5	19	65	10
9 States .....	15	10	23	44	8
Previous week .....	15	9	21	45	10
Previous year .....	1	5	17	59	18

- Represents zero.

## Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending August 7, 2011

[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 .....	4	18	31	41	6
Arizona .....	36	24	19	17	4
Arkansas .....	38	42	16	4	-
California .....	-	30	40	30	-
Colorado .....	21	17	21	31	10
Connecticut .....	-	3	52	45	-
Delaware .....	18	20	23	39	-
Florida .....	1	4	20	65	10
Georgia .....	14	27	36	21	2
Idaho .....	-	7	12	62	19
Illinois .....	3	21	40	31	5
Indiana .....	9	26	40	22	3
Iowa .....	4	14	33	42	7
Kansas .....	33	25	23	17	2
Kentucky .....	3	11	34	44	8
Louisiana .....	14	19	39	26	2
Maine .....	-	19	24	27	30
Maryland .....	20	33	31	16	-
Massachusetts .....	-	-	39	58	3
Michigan .....	2	12	37	36	13
Minnesota .....	1	3	13	61	22
Mississippi .....	10	10	30	43	7
Missouri .....	16	30	36	18	-
Montana .....	-	4	23	46	27
Nebraska .....	1	4	22	63	10
Nevada .....	2	2	19	37	40
New Hampshire .....	5	5	38	52	-
New Jersey .....	-	5	60	35	-
New Mexico .....	53	34	12	1	-
New York .....	14	21	37	25	3
North Carolina .....	9	24	30	36	1
North Dakota .....	1	3	14	51	31
Ohio .....	4	16	34	39	7
Oklahoma .....	64	28	7	1	-
Oregon .....	10	13	25	45	7
Pennsylvania .....	38	23	30	8	1
Rhode Island .....	-	24	56	20	-
South Carolina .....	11	39	40	9	1
South Dakota .....	1	3	14	59	23
Tennessee .....	1	14	39	42	4
Texas .....	73	21	5	1	-
Utah .....	-	1	9	69	21
Vermont .....	-	26	25	30	19
Virginia .....	9	24	33	31	3
Washington .....	1	7	27	44	21
West Virginia .....	1	13	52	31	3
Wisconsin .....	3	9	27	52	9
Wyoming .....	-	5	22	67	6
48 States .....	21	17	23	32	7
Previous week .....	20	16	23	33	8
Previous year .....	4	11	28	47	10

- Represents zero.

## Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

**Barley:** Harvested, Condition

**Corn:** Silking, Dough, Dent, Condition

**Cotton:** Setting Bolls, Bolls Opening, Condition

**Oats:** Harvested

**Pasture and Range:** Condition

**Peanuts:** Pegging, Condition

**Rice:** Headed, Condition

**Sorghum:** Headed, Coloring, Mature, Condition

**Soybeans:** Blooming, Setting Pods, Condition

**Spring Wheat:** Harvested, Condition

**Winter Wheat:** Harvested

## 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](http://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 subject to revision the following week.

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