



Crop Progress

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Cotton Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 20, 2010	November 13, 2011	November 20, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	90	72	80	84
Arizona	59	55	60	67
Arkansas	100	98	99	94
California	95	82	90	91
Georgia	84	71	79	74
Kansas	68	55	73	45
Louisiana	100	100	100	98
Mississippi	100	99	100	98
Missouri	100	94	96	90
North Carolina	92	80	85	84
Oklahoma	72	51	68	62
South Carolina	92	78	84	81
Tennessee	99	94	99	92
Texas	78	78	82	64
Virginia	96	86	90	84
15 States	84	79	84	74

Corn Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 94% of the 2010 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 20, 2010	November 13, 2011	November 20, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	97	83	91	90
Illinois	100	97	99	89
Indiana	100	86	92	90
Iowa	100	98	99	89
Kansas	100	98	100	94
Kentucky	100	98	99	99
Michigan	100	71	83	80
Minnesota	100	99	100	89
Missouri	100	100	100	91
Nebraska	99	95	97	85
North Carolina	100	99	99	100
North Dakota	98	100	100	71
Ohio	100	51	69	88
Pennsylvania	93	79	84	83
South Dakota	100	99	100	79
Tennessee	100	100	100	100
Texas	98	100	100	99
Wisconsin	96	83	90	81
18 States	99	93	96	88

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 11 States harvested 99% of the 2010 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 20, 2010	November 13, 2011	November 20, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	97	66	87	83
Illinois	99	76	88	93
Kansas	98	89	95	87
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	100	92	96	92
Nebraska	99	92	98	85
New Mexico	74	46	53	79
Oklahoma	94	59	79	80
South Dakota	100	96	100	93
Texas	91	85	89	88
11 States	95	85	91	87

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 20, 2010	November 13, 2011	November 20, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	89	75	84	82
Florida	100	96	99	98
Georgia	96	89	96	92
North Carolina	97	92	97	98
Oklahoma	99	75	88	94
South Carolina	100	89	94	100
Texas	97	84	91	95
Virginia	99	90	100	99
8 States	96	87	94	93

Sunflowers Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 86% of the 2010 sunflower acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 20, 2010	November 13, 2011	November 20, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	96	74	87	90
Kansas	93	86	91	85
North Dakota	94	96	100	91
South Dakota	97	95	99	85
4 States	95	93	98	89

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 20, 2010	November 13, 2011	November 20, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	86	68	81	71
California	46	47	50	36
Colorado	95	99	99	98
Idaho	98	96	98	96
Illinois	99	87	95	89
Indiana	89	89	95	87
Kansas	92	94	96	92
Michigan	100	92	95	92
Missouri	88	76	82	73
Montana	98	87	88	96
Nebraska	99	100	100	100
North Carolina	60	34	45	45
Ohio	99	64	80	92
Oklahoma	94	86	93	89
Oregon	94	73	83	83
South Dakota	100	99	100	99
Texas	79	56	63	79
Washington	97	84	96	93
18 States	91	83	87	88

Winter Wheat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending November 20, 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	2	37	49	10
California	-	-	5	40	55
Colorado	1	9	43	42	5
Idaho	-	-	10	76	14
Illinois	-	1	22	64	13
Indiana	-	2	25	61	12
Kansas	3	8	42	41	6
Michigan	1	3	25	57	14
Missouri	1	7	48	43	1
Montana	1	9	59	29	2
Nebraska	-	1	20	69	10
North Carolina	-	1	17	74	8
Ohio	2	10	38	46	4
Oklahoma	4	10	31	47	8
Oregon	-	4	33	50	13
South Dakota	1	4	39	55	1
Texas	24	25	29	20	2
Washington	-	-	25	67	8
18 States	6	10	34	43	7
Previous week	5	9	36	43	7
Previous year	4	12	37	39	8

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Cotton: Harvested

Peanuts: Harvested

Sorghum: Harvested

Winter Wheat: Emerged, Condition

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.

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