



Crop Progress

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Special Note

COMING SOON - NASS's annual September surveys on crops and livestock. In the first two weeks of September, NASS will survey U.S. small grains growers for final production. We will also ask hog producers about their summer pig crop, current inventory, and farrowing intentions for the next six months. The responses will provide the foundation for 2012 production estimates. **Farmers should watch for their survey and be sure to respond. Your information matters!**

Corn Dented – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2011 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	32	41	64	39
Illinois	83	91	95	70
Indiana	53	73	85	59
Iowa	81	82	91	64
Kansas	80	81	90	81
Kentucky	67	87	93	82
Michigan	37	40	61	48
Minnesota	57	75	88	55
Missouri	91	93	98	79
Nebraska	66	82	93	70
North Carolina	98	93	96	96
North Dakota	29	62	80	37
Ohio	32	59	72	53
Pennsylvania	43	46	59	49
South Dakota	47	66	80	51
Tennessee	95	98	99	95
Texas	79	81	88	86
Wisconsin	41	41	61	40
18 States	65	76	86	63

Corn Mature – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2011 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	1	3	10	4
Illinois	27	44	63	25
Indiana	8	17	32	14
Iowa	11	27	50	11
Kansas	36	51	61	31
Kentucky	31	68	78	49
Michigan	-	8	11	8
Minnesota	3	2	16	5
Missouri	44	67	84	35
Nebraska	2	22	36	5
North Carolina	90	82	88	84
North Dakota	1	5	23	4
Ohio	2	6	13	7
Pennsylvania	6	12	15	13
South Dakota	1	7	17	3
Tennessee	56	76	85	61
Texas	66	64	73	67
Wisconsin	2	3	10	4
18 States	15	26	41	16

- Represents zero.

Corn Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 94% of the 2011 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	-	-	-	-
Illinois	2	6	12	2
Indiana	-	2	6	1
Iowa	-	2	5	-
Kansas	12	25	33	7
Kentucky	5	25	37	11
Michigan	-	-	1	-
Minnesota	-	-	-	-
Missouri	10	32	44	8
Nebraska	-	4	7	-
North Carolina	48	15	25	27
North Dakota	-	-	-	-
Ohio	-	-	1	-
Pennsylvania	-	1	1	2
South Dakota	-	-	-	-
Tennessee	19	33	49	21
Texas	53	56	61	55
Wisconsin	-	-	-	-
18 States	3	6	10	3

- Represents zero.

Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 2, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	44	20	16	17	3
Illinois	41	34	21	4	-
Indiana	40	32	20	8	-
Iowa	23	32	32	13	-
Kansas	41	30	22	7	-
Kentucky	45	35	14	5	1
Michigan	21	25	25	25	4
Minnesota	5	12	33	43	7
Missouri	58	27	10	4	1
Nebraska	22	21	27	28	2
North Carolina	3	12	28	43	14
North Dakota	4	16	33	44	3
Ohio	24	34	31	10	1
Pennsylvania	1	9	27	46	17
South Dakota	23	29	28	18	2
Tennessee	22	29	30	17	2
Texas	7	12	30	37	14
Wisconsin	17	22	25	29	7
18 States	26	26	26	19	3
Previous week	26	26	26	19	3
Previous year	8	13	27	41	11

- Represents zero.

Soybeans Dropping Leaves – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2011 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	9	23	33	14
Illinois	3	-	7	6
Indiana	8	11	26	14
Iowa	1	1	7	4
Kansas	4	7	14	7
Kentucky	8	13	22	10
Louisiana	50	38	47	51
Michigan	-	1	6	3
Minnesota	-	4	21	5
Mississippi	29	34	45	43
Missouri	2	3	7	3
Nebraska	-	3	7	1
North Carolina	5	1	2	5
North Dakota	-	10	43	7
Ohio	2	15	24	10
South Dakota	19	26	54	19
Tennessee	12	9	15	23
Wisconsin	1	-	-	2
18 States	5	8	19	9

- Represents zero.

Soybean Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 2, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	5	14	32	37	12
Illinois	19	21	42	17	1
Indiana	19	25	36	18	2
Iowa	13	24	40	21	2
Kansas	38	35	21	5	1
Kentucky	20	27	28	21	4
Louisiana	2	4	24	57	13
Michigan	11	24	29	31	5
Minnesota	3	10	33	47	7
Mississippi	2	5	13	47	33
Missouri	44	33	17	5	1
Nebraska	20	25	35	19	1
North Carolina	1	4	26	55	14
North Dakota	3	15	37	42	3
Ohio	11	21	39	26	3
South Dakota	17	29	29	22	3
Tennessee	3	11	32	45	9
Wisconsin	10	17	33	32	8
18 States	16	21	33	26	4
Previous week	17	21	32	26	4
Previous year	5	11	28	45	11

Cotton Bolls Opening – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2011 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	27	16	24	37
Arizona	61	65	75	56
Arkansas	34	41	65	42
California	17	7	25	24
Georgia	46	22	41	32
Kansas	10	19	26	10
Louisiana	80	61	67	69
Mississippi	50	55	70	53
Missouri	30	32	43	36
North Carolina	54	6	20	40
Oklahoma	12	11	20	16
South Carolina	37	10	21	23
Tennessee	29	36	46	39
Texas	35	21	31	23
Virginia	29	16	20	28
15 States	37	24	36	30

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 2, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Alabama	1	4	31	60	4
Arizona	1	2	12	48	37
Arkansas	4	7	22	44	23
California	-	-	5	35	60
Georgia	2	8	36	42	12
Kansas	9	27	42	18	4
Louisiana	-	3	25	61	11
Mississippi	1	6	24	48	21
Missouri	11	29	40	18	2
North Carolina	1	3	19	61	16
Oklahoma	22	48	19	11	-
South Carolina	-	2	23	65	10
Tennessee	2	7	30	54	7
Texas	17	26	34	19	4
Virginia	-	-	6	58	36
15 States	10	18	30	32	10
Previous week	10	18	29	33	10
Previous year	25	19	28	24	4

- Represents zero.

Peanut Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 2, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Alabama	-	1	12	85	2
Florida	-	3	9	59	29
Georgia	-	3	27	54	16
North Carolina	-	1	27	50	22
Oklahoma	2	3	25	66	4
South Carolina	-	2	25	59	14
Texas	2	3	28	60	7
Virginia	-	-	6	66	28
8 States	-	2	22	61	15
Previous week	1	3	21	59	16
Previous year	7	19	36	32	6

- Represents zero.

Sugarbeets Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 84% of the 2011 sugarbeet acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	-	(NA)	-	-
Michigan	-	(NA)	4	1
Minnesota	-	(NA)	7	1
North Dakota	-	(NA)	8	2
4 States	-	(NA)	6	1

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Sorghum Headed – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2011 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	87	91	97	94
Illinois	96	93	98	94
Kansas	82	78	84	92
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	97	92	96	93
Nebraska	99	83	88	98
New Mexico	63	43	74	71
Oklahoma	69	78	84	82
South Dakota	99	98	100	97
Texas	94	88	94	94
11 States	87	83	89	92

Sorghum Coloring – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2011 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	98	100	100	97
Colorado	41	40	60	56
Illinois	78	60	68	62
Kansas	32	35	46	47
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	50	51	61	54
Nebraska	65	14	29	49
New Mexico	19	4	10	26
Oklahoma	34	50	59	42
South Dakota	68	53	79	66
Texas	73	75	76	74
11 States	49	50	58	57

Sorghum Mature – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2011 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	62	94	99	78
Colorado	9	-	10	13
Illinois	23	7	10	15
Kansas	2	4	8	3
Louisiana	99	95	98	99
Missouri	15	12	24	16
Nebraska	-	-	-	1
New Mexico	-	-	-	1
Oklahoma	15	27	34	14
South Dakota	3	4	12	5
Texas	69	71	72	64
11 States	26	28	32	26

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 11 States harvested 98% of the 2011 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	26	65	85	37
Colorado	-	-	-	-
Illinois	1	-	-	1
Kansas	-	1	2	-
Louisiana	94	82	91	83
Missouri	1	1	2	2
Nebraska	-	-	-	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-
Oklahoma	-	12	20	1
South Dakota	-	-	-	-
Texas	57	57	58	57
11 States	21	22	24	21

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 2, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	6	15	27	41	11
Colorado	46	17	19	18	-
Illinois	55	24	19	2	-
Kansas	34	34	24	7	1
Louisiana	-	1	28	61	10
Missouri	26	38	27	9	-
Nebraska	9	40	37	14	-
New Mexico	46	23	29	2	-
Oklahoma	27	33	32	8	-
South Dakota	23	31	32	14	-
Texas	8	14	26	36	16
11 States	24	26	26	18	6
Previous week	23	27	26	18	6
Previous year	20	24	31	21	4

- Represents zero.

Rice Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 100% of the 2011 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	13	22	44	16
California	-	-	-	1
Louisiana	78	71	81	69
Mississippi	33	32	52	22
Missouri	2	6	18	7
Texas	93	59	80	84
6 States	27	27	42	26

- Represents zero.

Rice Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 2, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acres]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	3	6	27	45	19
California	-	-	10	25	65
Louisiana	1	8	37	47	7
Mississippi	1	3	16	50	30
Missouri	-	5	23	52	20
Texas	2	10	38	32	18
6 States	2	5	25	40	28
Previous week	1	6	25	42	26
Previous year	1	7	28	39	25

- Represents zero.

Spring Wheat Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 98% of the 2011 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	55	66	85	64
Minnesota	86	100	100	82
Montana	44	73	83	61
North Dakota	59	96	100	69
South Dakota	99	100	100	98
Washington	57	63	81	78
6 States	63	89	95	72

Barley Harvested – Selected States

[These 5 States harvested 73% of the 2011 barley acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 2, 2011	August 26, 2012	September 2, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	60	75	87	64
Minnesota	89	100	100	87
Montana	56	73	84	67
North Dakota	72	97	100	83
Washington	58	60	85	78
5 States	62	79	89	71

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 2, 2012

[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	5	34	48	9
Arizona	33	19	31	13	4
Arkansas	33	39	23	5	-
California	15	55	30	-	-
Colorado	60	25	13	2	-
Connecticut	5	10	29	56	-
Delaware	12	20	45	22	1
Florida	1	3	15	65	16
Georgia	2	8	39	47	4
Idaho	14	34	29	23	-
Illinois	41	31	20	7	1
Indiana	41	31	20	7	1
Iowa	51	29	17	3	-
Kansas	61	28	9	2	-
Kentucky	27	30	28	14	1
Louisiana	4	7	31	51	7
Maine	-	6	39	55	-
Maryland	3	11	30	51	5
Massachusetts	-	-	21	79	-
Michigan	20	26	39	12	3
Minnesota	19	23	30	25	3
Mississippi	-	5	24	50	21
Missouri	82	17	1	-	-
Montana	36	35	23	5	1
Nebraska	72	24	4	-	-
Nevada	60	22	11	6	1
New Hampshire	4	4	24	63	5
New Jersey	-	5	15	65	15
New Mexico	44	31	23	2	-
New York	11	33	34	21	1
North Carolina	2	9	33	50	6
North Dakota	16	31	36	17	-
Ohio	35	34	22	8	1
Oklahoma	43	37	17	3	-
Oregon	10	33	25	29	3
Pennsylvania	8	31	28	30	3
Rhode Island	-	-	65	35	-
South Carolina	-	2	19	70	9
South Dakota	34	41	22	3	-
Tennessee	7	18	39	32	4
Texas	22	30	31	15	2
Utah	11	24	41	23	1
Vermont	11	27	29	29	4
Virginia	3	14	31	47	5
Washington	4	14	35	47	-
West Virginia	3	15	52	29	1
Wisconsin	29	32	32	6	1
Wyoming	58	28	11	3	-
48 States	31	28	24	15	2
Previous week	33	26	23	16	2
Previous year	24	18	25	28	5

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Barley: Harvested

Corn: Dented, Mature, Harvested, Condition

Cotton: Bolls Opening, Harvested, Condition

Pasture and Range: Condition

Peanuts: Harvested, Condition

Rice: Harvested, Condition

Sorghum: Headed, Coloring, Mature, Harvested, Condition

Soybeans: Dropping Leaves, Harvested, Condition

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 4,000 respondents 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 respondents 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 respondents 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, respondents 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 2011 season, over 90 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.

Respondents 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 respondent 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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