



Crop Progress

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Cotton Bolls Opening – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	56	35	55	60
Arizona	79	85	86	79
Arkansas	79	77	87	72
California	39	30	40	41
Georgia	72	48	67	58
Kansas	32	39	45	24
Louisiana	97	74	93	90
Mississippi	83	82	87	79
Missouri	59	55	76	63
North Carolina	81	32	62	74
Oklahoma	23	26	50	41
South Carolina	70	28	39	59
Tennessee	63	63	81	67
Texas	63	42	50	40
Virginia	51	30	59	58
15 States	65	46	59	51

Cotton Harvested – Selected States

[These 15 States harvested 98% of the 2011 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	1	-	-	3
Arizona	9	8	10	12
Arkansas	1	2	6	6
California	-	-	-	-
Georgia	3	-	3	2
Kansas	-	-	-	-
Louisiana	40	13	27	19
Mississippi	9	2	9	9
Missouri	1	1	5	6
North Carolina	3	-	-	1
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	4	-	-	1
Tennessee	1	-	3	4
Texas	16	9	10	13
Virginia	-	-	-	1
15 States	8	4	6	7

- Represents zero.

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 16, 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)
Alabama	1	3	33	56	7
Arizona	-	-	6	56	38
Arkansas	5	7	24	43	21
California	-	-	5	20	75
Georgia	2	9	30	47	12
Kansas	6	25	41	23	5
Louisiana	-	2	27	60	11
Mississippi	2	7	25	46	20
Missouri	10	28	40	20	2
North Carolina	-	2	21	58	19
Oklahoma	25	48	17	10	-
South Carolina	-	2	20	65	13
Tennessee	1	4	27	58	10
Texas	19	26	30	20	5
Virginia	-	-	13	69	18
15 States	12	18	27	32	11
Previous week	11	19	29	31	10
Previous year	25	20	28	23	4

- Represents zero.

Corn Dented – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	79	83	92	78
Illinois	96	97	99	88
Indiana	81	91	96	84
Iowa	96	97	99	89
Kansas	96	95	98	96
Kentucky	89	96	99	95
Michigan	73	76	87	78
Minnesota	89	96	100	87
Missouri	99	100	100	93
Nebraska	95	98	100	93
North Carolina	99	99	100	100
North Dakota	79	90	98	72
Ohio	63	88	95	82
Pennsylvania	74	73	84	75
South Dakota	87	90	96	84
Tennessee	100	99	100	100
Texas	90	89	96	95
Wisconsin	76	76	86	72
18 States	89	93	97	87

Corn Mature – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	15	26	55	28
Illinois	58	75	87	52
Indiana	32	47	65	41
Iowa	52	72	88	44
Kansas	68	74	86	63
Kentucky	71	86	93	76
Michigan	14	22	44	31
Minnesota	23	43	80	30
Missouri	82	91	96	63
Nebraska	18	55	74	25
North Carolina	95	97	100	97
North Dakota	16	48	80	21
Ohio	11	26	38	29
Pennsylvania	21	21	44	32
South Dakota	24	45	71	24
Tennessee	89	95	97	85
Texas	78	74	86	76
Wisconsin	21	23	40	22
18 States	40	58	76	41

Corn Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	-	2	7	2
Illinois	9	21	36	13
Indiana	3	9	17	7
Iowa	2	10	22	2
Kansas	29	41	51	22
Kentucky	28	47	60	33
Michigan	-	3	6	2
Minnesota	-	2	12	1
Missouri	30	53	66	24
Nebraska	2	12	23	2
North Carolina	75	42	60	61
North Dakota	-	2	10	-
Ohio	-	2	4	2
Pennsylvania	2	4	5	8
South Dakota	-	7	19	1
Tennessee	54	64	79	52
Texas	60	62	68	63
Wisconsin	-	-	4	-
18 States	8	15	26	9

- Represents zero.

Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 16, 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)
Colorado	42	21	18	18	1
Illinois	42	33	18	7	-
Indiana	39	29	21	10	1
Iowa	20	28	34	17	1
Kansas	41	30	21	8	-
Kentucky	47	33	14	5	1
Michigan	21	26	25	26	2
Minnesota	4	13	31	45	7
Missouri	58	26	11	4	1
Nebraska	23	19	25	29	4
North Carolina	4	11	29	42	14
North Dakota	4	12	31	49	4
Ohio	23	35	28	13	1
Pennsylvania	2	10	29	44	15
South Dakota	18	29	31	20	2
Tennessee	22	29	30	17	2
Texas	7	12	30	37	14
Wisconsin	16	20	27	30	7
18 States	25	25	26	21	3
Previous week	26	26	26	19	3
Previous year	8	13	28	40	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 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	26	41	50	30
Illinois	26	21	45	32
Indiana	34	41	64	47
Iowa	20	26	54	35
Kansas	24	23	34	30
Kentucky	31	36	49	39
Louisiana	78	58	71	71
Michigan	17	21	42	29
Minnesota	32	51	84	45
Mississippi	66	68	73	67
Missouri	19	14	26	18
Nebraska	13	25	51	24
North Carolina	17	4	14	16
North Dakota	37	75	93	44
Ohio	16	36	56	44
South Dakota	54	77	93	57
Tennessee	37	29	46	48
Wisconsin	19	24	52	29
18 States	28	36	57	37

Soybeans Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 96% of the 2011 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	11	22	28	12
Illinois	1	1	3	2
Indiana	1	1	5	4
Iowa	-	-	6	1
Kansas	-	1	3	-
Kentucky	71	4	10	16
Louisiana	54	42	52	42
Michigan	-	-	1	1
Minnesota	-	2	16	1
Mississippi	27	36	58	35
Missouri	-	-	1	1
Nebraska	-	-	5	-
North Carolina	1	-	-	-
North Dakota	1	4	28	1
Ohio	-	1	3	2
South Dakota	-	3	15	-
Tennessee	1	-	4	4
Wisconsin	-	-	2	-
18 States	4	4	10	4

- Represents zero.

Soybean Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 16, 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	30	40	11
Illinois	19	23	37	19	2
Indiana	18	21	33	24	4
Iowa	12	22	39	25	2
Kansas	33	36	24	6	1
Kentucky	13	20	35	25	7
Louisiana	2	6	26	48	18
Michigan	11	21	31	32	5
Minnesota	3	9	30	49	9
Mississippi	6	9	18	48	19
Missouri	37	34	21	7	1
Nebraska	20	27	34	18	1
North Carolina	1	4	23	56	16
North Dakota	3	12	32	48	5
Ohio	12	21	37	26	4
South Dakota	14	28	33	22	3
Tennessee	2	9	27	50	12
Wisconsin	10	17	34	30	9
18 States	15	21	31	28	5
Previous week	15	21	32	27	5
Previous year	5	13	29	43	10

Sorghum Headed – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	96	98	99	99
Illinois	99	99	99	99
Kansas	90	91	93	97
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	100	98	100	99
Nebraska	100	94	97	100
New Mexico	85	75	83	94
Oklahoma	91	88	91	95
South Dakota	100	100	100	100
Texas	97	96	98	98
11 States	93	93	95	98

Sorghum Coloring – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	71	83	94	82
Illinois	90	90	98	81
Kansas	60	61	68	75
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	81	77	82	77
Nebraska	89	51	69	82
New Mexico	39	11	12	51
Oklahoma	58	67	75	67
South Dakota	91	99	100	90
Texas	76	77	81	83
11 States	68	69	75	78

Sorghum Mature – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	94	100	100	96
Colorado	22	12	25	34
Illinois	47	40	84	44
Kansas	10	14	19	15
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	33	34	50	36
Nebraska	20	3	19	10
New Mexico	-	-	-	4
Oklahoma	27	41	48	26
South Dakota	7	42	60	20
Texas	71	73	74	71
11 States	33	37	42	36

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	67	92	96	64
Colorado	-	1	4	3
Illinois	3	7	12	9
Kansas	1	4	6	2
Louisiana	99	95	97	94
Missouri	5	6	12	9
Nebraska	1	-	1	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-
Oklahoma	9	25	31	9
South Dakota	-	2	26	1
Texas	59	59	60	63
11 States	23	26	28	25

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 16, 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	56	17	16	11	-
Illinois	62	19	17	2	-
Kansas	33	35	24	7	1
Louisiana	-	1	28	61	10
Missouri	25	34	30	11	-
Nebraska	14	46	29	11	-
New Mexico	46	20	20	14	-
Oklahoma	31	30	30	9	-
South Dakota	17	32	37	13	1
Texas	8	14	26	36	16
11 States	25	26	25	18	6
Previous week	25	26	25	18	6
Previous year	20	24	31	21	4

- Represents zero.

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

[These 8 States harvested 98% of the 2011 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	5	-	2	3
Florida	9	10	18	14
Georgia	2	3	8	2
North Carolina	3	-	3	2
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	9	3	6	7
Texas	2	1	2	1
Virginia	-	-	-	-
8 States	4	3	7	4

- Represents zero.

Peanut Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 16, 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)
Alabama	-	1	11	81	7
Florida	1	2	30	48	19
Georgia	-	4	21	55	20
North Carolina	-	1	15	62	22
Oklahoma	3	3	26	64	4
South Carolina	-	2	22	64	12
Texas	1	6	28	57	8
Virginia	-	-	12	67	21
8 States	-	3	21	60	16
Previous week	-	3	21	62	14
Previous year	8	16	42	29	5

- Represents zero.

Sugarbeets Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	-	-	8	-
Michigan	1	5	6	4
Minnesota	2	10	12	6
North Dakota	3	12	14	7
4 States	2	8	11	5

- Represents zero.

Rice Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	38	59	72	38
California	3	-	5	8
Louisiana	94	86	95	87
Mississippi	62	71	81	52
Missouri	16	31	63	27
Texas	98	90	95	94
6 States	44	52	63	43

- Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Planted – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 88% of the 2010 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2007-2011 Average
	September 16, 2011	September 9, 2012	September 16, 2012	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	1	-	-	1
California	-	-	3	3
Colorado	25	-	15	31
Idaho	13	3	6	19
Illinois	1	-	1	1
Indiana	1	-	-	1
Kansas	7	2	5	7
Michigan	1	-	1	3
Missouri	1	-	2	1
Montana	20	5	19	21
Nebraska	36	8	21	35
North Carolina	-	-	-	-
Ohio	-	1	2	-
Oklahoma	3	3	8	10
Oregon	6	6	9	15
South Dakota	26	8	14	30
Texas	6	3	11	14
Washington	42	31	60	44
18 States	11	4	11	14

- Represents zero.

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 16, 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	1	5	26	60	8
Arizona	17	15	35	28	5
Arkansas	17	34	37	12	-
California	20	60	20	-	-
Colorado	60	27	12	1	-
Connecticut	2	10	23	65	-
Delaware	4	15	52	28	1
Florida	1	3	15	70	11
Georgia	1	13	36	45	5
Idaho	15	33	31	21	-
Illinois	20	23	38	17	2
Indiana	27	28	30	14	1
Iowa	48	25	22	5	-
Kansas	56	30	12	2	-
Kentucky	13	25	38	22	2
Louisiana	2	6	29	51	12
Maine	-	-	50	46	4
Maryland	1	6	28	56	9
Massachusetts	-	4	31	65	-
Michigan	17	28	37	17	1
Minnesota	25	26	30	17	2
Mississippi	-	2	14	70	14
Missouri	57	27	16	-	-
Montana	43	30	21	5	1
Nebraska	66	31	3	-	-
Nevada	61	20	13	5	1
New Hampshire	2	5	28	56	9
New Jersey	-	5	20	75	-
New Mexico	41	30	25	4	-
New York	8	28	41	21	2
North Carolina	-	8	36	50	6
North Dakota	22	41	27	10	-
Ohio	25	31	27	15	2
Oklahoma	41	34	20	5	-
Oregon	17	33	28	21	1
Pennsylvania	9	22	35	31	3
Rhode Island	-	-	65	35	-
South Carolina	-	2	20	70	8
South Dakota	37	36	23	4	-
Tennessee	4	13	35	44	4
Texas	24	28	31	15	2
Utah	11	26	36	25	2
Vermont	-	21	49	16	14
Virginia	3	13	30	50	4
Washington	8	14	30	47	1
West Virginia	3	12	55	29	1
Wisconsin	29	35	30	5	1
Wyoming	59	27	11	3	-
48 States	28	28	25	17	2
Previous week	31	27	24	16	2
Previous year	25	19	25	26	5

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Corn: 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

Sugarbeets: Harvested

Sunflowers: 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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