



Crop Progress

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NASS Survey Update!

In the first two weeks of June, NASS will gather information about this season's crop production, supplies of grain in storage and livestock inventory. The information will help producers, suppliers, traders, buyers and others make informed business decisions. The results will be available on June 26 in the *Hogs and Pigs* report and on June 30 in the *Acreage* and *Grain Stocks* reports. **Farmers should watch for their surveys and be sure to respond. Your information matters!**

Corn Planted - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2014 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	92	59	66	90
Illinois	93	94	97	93
Indiana	85	74	88	81
Iowa	94	92	96	94
Kansas	92	78	84	92
Kentucky	85	85	91	83
Michigan	50	75	91	75
Minnesota	77	97	98	87
Missouri	96	82	85	90
Nebraska	96	85	92	96
North Carolina	98	93	96	99
North Dakota	60	70	83	73
Ohio	66	77	87	70
Pennsylvania	61	72	85	70
South Dakota	88	83	91	85
Tennessee	96	93	97	93
Texas	96	75	77	95
Wisconsin	63	85	93	74
18 States	86	85	92	88

Corn Emerged - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2014 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	51	28	47	47
Illinois	78	75	87	75
Indiana	64	40	63	62
Iowa	61	63	81	71
Kansas	67	53	64	66
Kentucky	64	55	71	67
Michigan	21	44	70	45
Minnesota	28	72	88	51
Missouri	86	65	77	75
Nebraska	70	54	73	67
North Carolina	90	84	90	95
North Dakota	11	12	40	33
Ohio	36	46	68	48
Pennsylvania	36	39	65	39
South Dakota	43	46	61	45
Tennessee	85	67	84	82
Texas	87	73	74	82
Wisconsin	18	41	69	34
18 States	56	56	74	62

Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	-	3	31	65	1
Illinois	1	2	17	64	16
Indiana	-	2	23	62	13
Iowa	-	1	20	63	16
Kansas	1	8	39	48	4
Kentucky	1	2	12	67	18
Michigan	-	1	25	58	16
Minnesota	-	2	29	62	7
Missouri	1	5	32	57	5
Nebraska	1	6	32	54	7
North Carolina	-	4	20	58	18
North Dakota	-	1	17	77	5
Ohio	-	-	13	68	19
Pennsylvania	-	1	16	60	23
South Dakota	-	7	24	64	5
Tennessee	1	3	19	58	19
Texas	4	4	23	47	22
Wisconsin	-	1	18	66	15
18 States	-	3	23	62	12
Previous week	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Previous year	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Soybeans Planted - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2014 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	61	53	56	57
Illinois	60	47	69	57
Indiana	54	36	59	54
Iowa	74	51	70	71
Kansas	54	17	20	47
Kentucky	28	25	40	33
Louisiana	90	79	83	81
Michigan	27	50	76	48
Minnesota	44	79	88	59
Mississippi	82	79	81	78
Missouri	57	16	20	43
Nebraska	85	41	59	73
North Carolina	41	26	47	35
North Dakota	27	32	54	42
Ohio	32	46	71	47
South Dakota	59	42	60	48
Tennessee	37	37	42	35
Wisconsin	35	50	74	43
18 States	55	45	61	55

Soybeans Emerged - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2014 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	46	39	48	44
Illinois	29	14	38	29
Indiana	27	6	27	32
Iowa	19	10	32	27
Kansas	22	7	11	20
Kentucky	11	4	19	18
Louisiana	76	60	75	70
Michigan	10	13	42	21
Minnesota	5	21	49	15
Mississippi	64	60	72	65
Missouri	31	5	11	22
Nebraska	38	6	22	31
North Carolina	28	6	20	20
North Dakota	-	3	17	9
Ohio	10	10	38	23
South Dakota	17	4	24	14
Tennessee	19	12	25	18
Wisconsin	3	9	35	9
18 States	23	13	32	25

- Represents zero.

Cotton Planted - Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2014 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	62	46	63	77
Arizona	89	99	100	94
Arkansas	93	83	89	88
California	99	85	90	96
Georgia	63	44	65	66
Kansas	35	7	9	33
Louisiana	89	84	88	90
Mississippi	80	70	79	76
Missouri	87	73	76	88
North Carolina	84	42	68	82
Oklahoma	28	26	28	31
South Carolina	78	67	75	74
Tennessee	72	50	70	59
Texas	47	19	29	50
Virginia	82	55	84	89
15 States	60	35	47	61

Sorghum Planted - Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2014 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	89	85	89	93
Colorado	25	18	19	23
Illinois	32	26	48	28
Kansas	15	6	9	20
Louisiana	99	97	98	98
Missouri	52	31	36	41
Nebraska	53	38	50	41
New Mexico	15	30	45	17
Oklahoma	39	49	54	40
South Dakota	19	11	29	19
Texas	83	71	72	80
11 States	45	38	41	46

Peanuts Planted - Selected States

[These 8 States planted 97% of the 2014 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	49	43	59	57
Florida	69	59	75	68
Georgia	67	50	75	66
North Carolina	69	36	62	75
Oklahoma	76	74	77	69
South Carolina	87	66	78	70
Texas	58	17	32	73
Virginia	63	52	74	71
8 States	64	47	68	67

Rice Planted - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2014 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	94	89	92	92
California	88	90	98	84
Louisiana	99	98	99	99
Mississippi	90	93	94	90
Missouri	94	75	78	90
Texas	98	79	84	98
6 States	94	89	93	92

Rice Emerged - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2014 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	84	73	83	83
California	49	50	75	39
Louisiana	96	92	96	96
Mississippi	79	72	82	79
Missouri	82	53	70	80
Texas	94	75	81	90
6 States	78	70	82	77

Rice Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acres]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	3	7	28	49	13
California	-	-	20	40	40
Louisiana	-	5	27	56	12
Mississippi	-	-	20	72	8
Missouri	-	6	49	37	8
Texas	1	4	43	47	5
6 States	1	5	28	49	17
Previous week	1	5	28	50	16
Previous year	-	5	28	54	13

- Represents zero.

Sunflowers Planted - Selected States

[These 4 States planted 84% of the 2014 sunflower acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	3	4	5	11
Kansas	6	1	4	8
North Dakota	11	14	29	20
South Dakota	10	(NA)	4	10
4 States	10	(NA)	26	15

(NA) Not available.

Winter Wheat Headed - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 87% of the 2014 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	99	98	99	99
California	99	95	98	99
Colorado	35	46	67	39
Idaho	11	21	34	4
Illinois	77	70	89	83
Indiana	57	39	58	70
Kansas	86	86	94	84
Michigan	5	3	5	19
Missouri	85	77	91	88
Montana	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	26	24	40	29
North Carolina	97	94	97	99
Ohio	31	10	36	53
Oklahoma	99	99	100	97
Oregon	59	24	70	28
South Dakota	-	1	25	13
Texas	93	96	98	92
Washington	30	34	46	25
18 States	68	68	77	67

- Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	4	7	31	47	11
California	-	-	10	30	60
Colorado	3	13	31	44	9
Idaho	-	10	26	56	8
Illinois	2	8	31	51	8
Indiana	1	5	28	54	12
Kansas	9	19	42	28	2
Michigan	4	5	24	52	15
Missouri	1	4	39	52	4
Montana	3	8	32	39	18
Nebraska	14	18	32	34	2
North Carolina	2	10	30	51	7
Ohio	1	5	28	52	14
Oklahoma	7	16	41	34	2
Oregon	3	10	55	28	4
South Dakota	10	27	39	24	-
Texas	4	9	31	41	15
Washington	2	9	49	35	5
18 States	6	13	36	37	8
Previous week	6	13	36	37	8
Previous year	22	22	26	24	6

- Represents zero.

Spring Wheat Planted - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 99% of the 2014 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	100	100	100	97
Minnesota	60	99	100	85
Montana	88	95	96	83
North Dakota	54	90	93	68
South Dakota	88	97	98	95
Washington	100	100	100	99
6 States	70	94	96	79

Spring Wheat Emerged - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 99% of the 2014 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	92	92	96	80
Minnesota	18	90	95	58
Montana	55	70	81	51
North Dakota	23	53	71	43
South Dakota	57	77	86	74
Washington	97	91	99	92
6 States	40	67	80	54

Spring Wheat Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	-	1	19	65	15
Minnesota	-	2	31	59	8
Montana	3	3	31	52	11
North Dakota	1	3	20	69	7
South Dakota	-	9	41	45	5
Washington	1	4	39	50	6
6 States	1	3	27	61	8
Previous week	1	3	31	58	7
Previous year	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Oats Emerged - Selected States

[These 9 States planted 66% of the 2014 oat acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Iowa	91	92	95	94
Minnesota	45	89	96	68
Nebraska	95	95	98	94
North Dakota	25	38	61	41
Ohio	77	72	82	74
Pennsylvania	79	77	92	82
South Dakota	63	84	91	74
Texas	100	100	100	100
Wisconsin	44	82	92	66
9 States	70	83	91	79

Oats Headed - Selected States

[These 9 States planted 66% of the 2014 oat acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Iowa	3	(NA)	1	7
Minnesota	-	(NA)	-	1
Nebraska	5	(NA)	2	7
North Dakota	-	(NA)	-	-
Ohio	1	(NA)	1	8
Pennsylvania	-	(NA)	1	1
South Dakota	-	(NA)	-	1
Texas	98	99	100	97
Wisconsin	-	(NA)	-	-
9 States	30	(NA)	26	30

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Oat Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Iowa	-	-	18	69	13
Minnesota	-	-	22	67	11
Nebraska	3	8	27	59	3
North Dakota	2	3	17	67	11
Ohio	-	2	16	69	13
Pennsylvania	2	-	7	67	24
South Dakota	-	3	30	58	9
Texas	7	17	30	40	6
Wisconsin	-	-	15	67	18
9 States	2	6	22	59	11
Previous week	1	5	21	62	11
Previous year	4	8	28	53	7

- Represents zero.

Barley Emerged - Selected States

[These 5 States planted 77% of the 2014 barley acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	84	82	95	72
Minnesota	19	86	92	56
Montana	64	82	90	59
North Dakota	15	51	73	36
Washington	92	81	98	85
5 States	54	72	86	55

Barley Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2014 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	-	-	8	71	21
Minnesota	-	2	40	51	7
Montana	1	2	36	46	15
North Dakota	-	3	15	75	7
Washington	1	2	48	48	1
5 States	-	2	24	61	13
Previous week	-	3	33	53	11
Previous year	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[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	-	6	31	59	4
Arizona	11	10	35	42	2
Arkansas	2	9	39	39	11
California	10	20	35	20	15
Colorado	5	17	24	43	11
Connecticut	-	4	71	25	-
Delaware	4	7	46	36	7
Florida	1	10	34	48	7
Georgia	1	7	33	50	9
Idaho	1	8	31	53	7
Illinois	-	2	15	63	20
Indiana	1	2	19	61	17
Iowa	-	2	24	56	18
Kansas	3	8	33	45	11
Kentucky	2	6	21	60	11
Louisiana	1	8	34	46	11
Maine	-	7	42	45	6
Maryland	-	4	25	47	24
Massachusetts	-	16	60	24	-
Michigan	2	4	31	50	13
Minnesota	-	7	26	61	6
Mississippi	1	8	26	51	14
Missouri	-	2	29	56	13
Montana	4	14	48	30	4
Nebraska	4	8	29	53	6
Nevada	30	25	25	20	-
New Hampshire	-	9	64	27	-
New Jersey	1	10	22	36	31
New Mexico	7	11	34	36	12
New York	-	5	31	48	16
North Carolina	3	13	39	41	4
North Dakota	1	6	22	61	10
Ohio	1	2	24	57	16
Oklahoma	2	9	26	52	11
Oregon	1	20	44	33	2
Pennsylvania	5	5	19	50	21
Rhode Island	-	10	20	70	-
South Carolina	-	7	41	49	3
South Dakota	3	15	38	39	5
Tennessee	1	8	30	53	8
Texas	1	4	24	46	25
Utah	-	9	37	44	10
Vermont	2	8	17	45	28
Virginia	1	9	35	48	7
Washington	7	12	32	42	7
West Virginia	2	9	35	49	5
Wisconsin	1	7	21	57	14
Wyoming	1	5	24	58	12
48 States	2	8	30	48	12
Previous week	3	9	31	47	10
Previous year	7	14	33	39	7

- Represents zero.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork - Selected States

[Days suitable for Fieldwork are weighted based on cropland acreage]

State	Week ending		
	May 24, 2014	May 17, 2015	May 24, 2015
	(Days)	(Days)	(Days)
Alabama	5.8	6.4	5.4
Arizona	7.0	7.0	7.0
Arkansas	4.9	2.6	1.9
California	6.0	7.0	7.0
Colorado	5.5	3.3	1.8
Connecticut	5.5	7.0	6.8
Delaware	4.9	6.5	5.0
Florida	6.5	6.6	6.6
Georgia	5.7	6.5	6.6
Idaho	6.6	5.0	3.2
Illinois	4.5	2.1	4.0
Indiana	3.6	3.7	4.5
Iowa	4.9	2.6	2.8
Kansas	5.3	2.5	1.0
Kentucky	4.9	6.0	4.7
Louisiana	6.5	5.0	2.4
Maine	3.8	6.0	6.0
Maryland	5.9	6.0	6.0
Massachusetts	5.6	7.0	6.3
Michigan	3.8	3.1	5.9
Minnesota	4.7	1.7	2.8
Mississippi	6.3	5.4	2.7
Missouri	5.0	1.5	1.2
Montana	5.9	4.6	4.9
Nebraska	5.4	2.4	2.7
Nevada	4.9	4.4	4.0
New Hampshire	4.9	6.5	6.4
New Jersey	5.9	7.0	7.0
New Mexico	5.0	5.4	4.8
New York	3.9	5.5	6.0
North Carolina	6.1	6.0	6.4
North Dakota	5.3	2.5	4.0
Ohio	2.9	4.6	5.2
Oklahoma	6.0	2.0	1.0
Oregon	6.6	4.2	4.5
Pennsylvania	3.9	5.5	5.5
Rhode Island	6.4	7.0	6.5
South Carolina	5.9	5.9	6.0
South Dakota	6.1	2.1	3.5
Tennessee	5.6	5.8	3.4
Texas	5.4	2.5	2.2
Utah	6.8	3.4	3.0
Vermont	4.2	6.3	6.1
Virginia	5.7	6.4	6.0
Washington	6.8	5.3	6.0
West Virginia	5.7	5.8	5.3
Wisconsin	5.0	4.5	5.2
Wyoming	5.4	4.2	1.8

Topsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[National topsoil moisture conditions for selected States are weighted based on cropland acreage]

State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Alabama	3	20	64	13
Arizona	1	21	70	8
Arkansas	-	3	35	62
California	50	30	20	-
Colorado	1	11	69	19
Connecticut	23	57	20	-
Delaware	11	43	44	2
Florida	2	42	53	3
Georgia	11	48	37	4
Idaho	-	13	72	15
Illinois	-	3	82	15
Indiana	1	7	71	21
Iowa	-	3	74	23
Kansas	2	8	64	26
Kentucky	2	18	68	12
Louisiana	1	3	45	51
Maine	9	43	48	-
Maryland	2	16	77	5
Massachusetts	4	54	42	-
Michigan	-	12	75	13
Minnesota	-	4	83	13
Mississippi	1	9	53	37
Missouri	-	-	47	53
Montana	9	30	54	7
Nebraska	5	9	69	17
Nevada	35	30	35	-
New Hampshire	42	28	27	3
New Jersey	20	34	43	3
New Mexico	10	30	58	2
New York	9	21	50	20
North Carolina	3	26	65	6
North Dakota	-	4	77	19
Ohio	-	14	71	15
Oklahoma	5	14	47	34
Oregon	6	42	50	2
Pennsylvania	7	27	65	1
Rhode Island	-	80	20	-
South Carolina	9	17	55	19
South Dakota	8	16	68	8
Tennessee	1	16	57	26
Texas	1	5	49	45
Utah	2	26	63	9
Vermont	-	43	48	9
Virginia	4	22	69	5
Washington	5	32	58	5
West Virginia	1	22	72	5
Wisconsin	1	19	76	4
Wyoming	1	29	47	23
48 States	4	12	63	21
Previous week	4	14	64	18
Previous year	14	20	57	9

- Represents zero.

Subsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending May 24, 2015

[National subsoil moisture conditions for selected States are weighted based on cropland acreage]

State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Alabama	3	13	72	12
Arizona	-	18	77	5
Arkansas	1	4	54	41
California	40	45	15	-
Colorado	5	18	69	8
Connecticut	7	40	53	-
Delaware	7	31	59	3
Florida	3	36	60	1
Georgia	4	35	58	3
Idaho	2	22	76	-
Illinois	-	10	81	9
Indiana	1	5	78	16
Iowa	1	7	79	13
Kansas	8	18	65	9
Kentucky	2	12	75	11
Louisiana	-	3	49	48
Maine	10	39	51	-
Maryland	1	18	79	2
Massachusetts	4	33	63	-
Michigan	2	6	81	11
Minnesota	1	10	85	4
Mississippi	-	9	65	26
Missouri	-	4	78	18
Montana	8	25	53	14
Nebraska	6	17	66	11
Nevada	35	50	15	-
New Hampshire	36	7	55	2
New Jersey	11	35	52	2
New Mexico	10	24	66	-
New York	1	16	59	24
North Carolina	1	16	77	6
North Dakota	-	6	78	16
Ohio	-	8	79	13
Oklahoma	13	25	45	17
Oregon	8	46	45	1
Pennsylvania	6	21	72	1
Rhode Island	-	32	68	-
South Carolina	3	16	55	26
South Dakota	10	26	61	3
Tennessee	-	14	70	16
Texas	2	7	57	34
Utah	5	36	57	2
Vermont	-	31	55	14
Virginia	2	17	78	3
Washington	5	33	61	1
West Virginia	1	21	75	3
Wisconsin	2	24	72	2
Wyoming	2	27	69	2
48 States	4	15	68	13
Previous week	5	17	67	11
Previous year	15	23	55	7

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Barley: Emerged, Condition
Corn: Planted, Emerged, Condition
Cotton: Planted, Squaring
Oats: Emerged, Headed, Condition
Pasture & Range: Condition
Peanuts: Planted
Rice: Planted, Emerged, Condition
Sorghum: Planted
Soybeans: Planted, Emerged
Spring Wheat: Emerged, Condition
Sunflowers: Planted
Winter Wheat: Headed, 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 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 2014 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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