



Crop Progress

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Corn Mature – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	89	86	95	94
Illinois	97	100	100	98
Indiana	94	92	98	95
Iowa	95	96	99	98
Kansas	96	99	100	98
Kentucky	97	99	100	98
Michigan	74	82	92	89
Minnesota	91	97	98	96
Missouri	100	98	100	99
Nebraska	93	92	97	95
North Carolina	100	100	100	100
North Dakota	83	92	97	92
Ohio	88	93	99	87
Pennsylvania	92	92	95	92
South Dakota	90	90	96	97
Tennessee	99	99	99	100
Texas	93	87	90	96
Wisconsin	74	81	91	87
18 States	92	94	98	96

Corn Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 94% of the 2014 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	28	15	25	41
Illinois	42	71	85	68
Indiana	30	45	64	52
Iowa	18	29	52	52
Kansas	65	76	85	78
Kentucky	75	79	87	82
Michigan	10	18	30	30
Minnesota	15	29	58	47
Missouri	57	81	89	77
Nebraska	27	26	40	46
North Carolina	88	88	91	94
North Dakota	6	15	37	35
Ohio	22	35	55	34
Pennsylvania	27	41	53	40
South Dakota	18	21	39	45
Tennessee	87	87	93	89
Texas	75	67	75	84
Wisconsin	10	16	27	35
18 States	30	42	59	54

Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 18, 2015

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

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Colorado	-	3	26	58	13
Illinois	5	10	29	43	13
Indiana	9	14	28	36	13
Iowa	1	3	16	53	27
Kansas	3	8	32	46	11
Kentucky	1	4	11	51	33
Michigan	2	6	21	54	17
Minnesota	-	2	9	48	41
Missouri	6	11	33	40	10
Nebraska	1	5	18	55	21
North Carolina	11	17	30	32	10
North Dakota	1	8	20	59	12
Ohio	5	14	30	39	12
Pennsylvania	1	6	24	39	30
South Dakota	-	3	18	59	20
Tennessee	-	2	14	52	34
Texas	3	8	33	41	15
Wisconsin	1	4	16	52	27
18 States	3	7	22	48	20
Previous week	3	7	22	48	20
Previous year	2	5	19	50	24

- Represents zero.

Soybeans Dropping Leaves – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	90	89	95	87
Illinois	94	94	97	97
Indiana	96	95	99	97
Iowa	98	95	97	98
Kansas	87	83	92	92
Kentucky	77	80	90	88
Louisiana	99	97	99	98
Michigan	99	97	100	99
Minnesota	99	99	100	99
Mississippi	95	92	95	97
Missouri	88	71	83	90
Nebraska	99	95	99	99
North Carolina	73	67	77	70
North Dakota	100	100	100	100
Ohio	96	97	100	97
South Dakota	100	99	99	99
Tennessee	90	88	94	90
Wisconsin	94	95	97	96
18 States	94	92	96	96

Soybeans Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	63	57	66	61
Illinois	36	71	85	68
Indiana	30	62	80	60
Iowa	58	65	83	80
Kansas	29	31	51	52
Kentucky	27	38	50	44
Louisiana	92	90	93	91
Michigan	22	49	66	57
Minnesota	82	91	97	90
Mississippi	81	79	85	86
Missouri	24	31	50	44
Nebraska	66	57	79	81
North Carolina	15	9	14	12
North Dakota	80	86	94	82
Ohio	35	65	85	53
South Dakota	85	71	90	86
Tennessee	29	34	51	44
Wisconsin	40	46	73	67
18 States	51	62	77	68

Cotton Bolls Opening – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	91	90	92	92
Arizona	100	99	100	99
Arkansas	96	96	98	99
California	96	93	95	93
Georgia	96	93	95	94
Kansas	75	60	67	86
Louisiana	100	99	100	100
Mississippi	96	98	99	98
Missouri	87	91	99	90
North Carolina	95	93	96	95
Oklahoma	95	81	94	90
South Carolina	91	93	96	89
Tennessee	93	87	93	91
Texas	77	87	92	85
Virginia	94	97	98	96
15 States	85	89	94	89

Cotton Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	34	29	48	33
Arizona	27	25	30	25
Arkansas	38	33	58	58
California	51	10	35	28
Georgia	31	11	19	27
Kansas	2	8	11	5
Louisiana	79	72	82	85
Mississippi	48	51	69	66
Missouri	29	20	39	48
North Carolina	22	8	15	24
Oklahoma	7	1	5	14
South Carolina	24	16	19	26
Tennessee	19	14	23	43
Texas	22	24	28	25
Virginia	9	6	17	25
15 States	28	22	31	32

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 18, 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)
Alabama	-	3	31	60	6
Arizona	5	1	16	41	37
Arkansas	4	2	23	39	32
California	-	-	10	25	65
Georgia	1	7	25	52	15
Kansas	1	11	26	51	11
Louisiana	2	19	48	29	2
Mississippi	1	9	34	43	13
Missouri	1	8	48	36	7
North Carolina	6	19	37	35	3
Oklahoma	-	3	35	61	1
South Carolina	24	26	28	19	3
Tennessee	-	2	18	54	26
Texas	4	15	44	33	4
Virginia	-	-	40	57	3
15 States	4	12	38	38	8
Previous week	3	12	38	38	9
Previous year	6	13	34	37	10

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Mature – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	76	68	90	83
Illinois	90	84	93	94
Kansas	77	85	93	80
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	96	93	96	91
Nebraska	94	89	96	94
New Mexico	42	50	60	42
Oklahoma	91	91	95	82
South Dakota	86	85	90	94
Texas	92	86	89	89
11 States	84	85	91	84

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	97	98	99	97
Colorado	18	16	35	18
Illinois	33	63	76	61
Kansas	24	37	52	35
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	50	54	64	57
Nebraska	25	17	35	34
New Mexico	3	1	2	8
Oklahoma	57	50	58	51
South Dakota	44	32	38	62
Texas	75	69	74	73
11 States	47	51	61	52

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	56	46	60	48
Florida	66	73	82	72
Georgia	47	23	39	53
North Carolina	47	11	23	45
Oklahoma	33	17	45	33
South Carolina	50	17	24	60
Texas	25	29	34	45
Virginia	41	20	35	34
8 States	48	32	45	53

Peanut Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 18, 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)
Alabama	-	10	26	53	11
Florida	2	6	30	54	8
Georgia	1	7	24	49	19
North Carolina	5	16	35	38	6
Oklahoma	-	2	10	81	7
South Carolina	13	30	35	18	4
Texas	-	1	34	58	7
Virginia	-	-	41	55	4
8 States	2	9	28	48	13
Previous week	2	7	28	50	13
Previous year	4	13	28	45	10

- Represents zero.

Rice Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	90	93	96	91
California	81	65	90	57
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Mississippi	89	91	98	95
Missouri	77	85	90	86
Texas	100	100	100	100
6 States	90	88	95	87

Sunflowers Harvested – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	13	18	46	40
Kansas	11	5	26	28
North Dakota	10	14	31	26
South Dakota	11	5	34	32
4 States	10	10	33	28

Sugarbeets Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 84% of the 2014 sugarbeet acreage]

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	45	36	41	45
Michigan	28	27	35	27
Minnesota	99	88	99	80
North Dakota	99	92	99	83
4 States	78	70	79	67

Winter Wheat Planted – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	26	14	22	27
California	31	6	12	19
Colorado	99	86	95	97
Idaho	90	75	89	88
Illinois	21	41	63	58
Indiana	36	46	73	56
Kansas	76	69	82	84
Michigan	58	63	76	74
Missouri	23	33	52	40
Montana	96	92	95	88
Nebraska	97	93	97	96
North Carolina	11	3	10	11
Ohio	53	62	85	61
Oklahoma	83	65	78	78
Oregon	82	48	60	74
South Dakota	93	89	97	91
Texas	70	48	63	67
Washington	92	80	82	92
18 States	75	64	76	77

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

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

State	Week ending			2010-2014 Average
	October 18, 2014	October 11, 2015	October 18, 2015	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	10	2	8	10
California	13	-	2	6
Colorado	81	47	60	72
Idaho	53	38	62	48
Illinois	10	13	33	22
Indiana	19	18	37	21
Kansas	56	34	51	56
Michigan	41	28	48	40
Missouri	13	11	20	18
Montana	70	63	77	54
Nebraska	88	70	83	76
North Carolina	7	-	1	3
Ohio	27	23	50	28
Oklahoma	64	32	49	52
Oregon	34	4	18	31
South Dakota	62	47	75	57
Texas	49	20	35	40
Washington	69	60	62	72
18 States	54	33	49	49

- Represents zero.

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 18, 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	1	18	39	40	2
Arizona	9	8	37	39	7
Arkansas	14	35	36	14	1
California	35	30	25	5	5
Colorado	2	17	29	45	7
Connecticut	7	51	38	4	-
Delaware	7	19	38	32	4
Florida	1	3	29	51	16
Georgia	2	7	30	53	8
Idaho	11	21	33	32	3
Illinois	7	19	35	35	4
Indiana	13	21	35	27	4
Iowa	3	10	29	48	10
Kansas	4	14	37	40	5
Kentucky	3	12	31	48	6
Louisiana	14	32	35	17	2
Maine	-	7	37	52	4
Maryland	4	13	29	34	20
Massachusetts	-	18	42	40	-
Michigan	2	9	37	44	8
Minnesota	6	10	20	58	6
Mississippi	13	30	33	20	4
Missouri	9	14	44	31	2
Montana	12	27	42	18	1
Nebraska	3	9	28	54	6
Nevada	15	20	40	25	-
New Hampshire	9	7	60	24	-
New Jersey	5	18	28	19	30
New Mexico	4	9	33	42	12
New York	2	11	35	41	11
North Carolina	9	16	45	28	2
North Dakota	2	15	39	41	3
Ohio	4	10	45	34	7
Oklahoma	7	14	38	36	5
Oregon	29	38	26	7	-
Pennsylvania	13	23	35	18	11
Rhode Island	-	25	41	34	-
South Carolina	6	10	38	44	2
South Dakota	2	9	39	46	4
Tennessee	3	10	32	51	4
Texas	17	29	35	17	2
Utah	1	11	39	46	3
Vermont	-	-	50	50	-
Virginia	2	11	42	38	7
Washington	22	22	24	28	4
West Virginia	5	13	34	45	3
Wisconsin	4	13	25	44	14
Wyoming	-	4	32	57	7
48 States	8	17	35	35	5
Previous week	7	16	34	37	6
Previous year	5	13	33	41	8

- Represents zero.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork - Selected States

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

State	Week ending		
	October 18, 2014 (Days)	October 11, 2015 (Days)	October 18, 2015 (Days)
Alabama	4.6	5.8	6.6
Arizona	7.0	7.0	7.0
Arkansas	4.2	6.7	6.9
California	7.0	7.0	6.6
Colorado	6.5	6.7	6.9
Connecticut	5.0	7.0	5.1
Delaware	5.0	6.0	6.0
Florida	6.5	6.2	6.4
Georgia	5.3	4.2	5.9
Idaho	6.5	6.8	6.6
Illinois	2.6	6.8	6.9
Indiana	2.4	6.4	6.8
Iowa	4.3	6.8	6.9
Kansas	5.3	6.3	6.9
Kentucky	2.2	5.7	6.1
Louisiana	5.0	7.0	7.0
Maine	4.1	4.9	4.8
Maryland	4.2	5.0	6.0
Massachusetts	6.0	6.6	6.6
Michigan	2.9	5.4	6.0
Minnesota	6.1	6.3	6.6
Mississippi	3.5	6.5	6.8
Missouri	3.4	6.7	6.9
Montana	6.3	5.8	7.0
Nebraska	6.5	6.4	6.9
Nevada	6.9	7.0	6.6
New Hampshire	5.3	6.0	6.3
New Jersey	6.0	6.5	6.5
New Mexico	7.0	6.2	6.5
New York	4.6	5.0	5.0
North Carolina	4.8	3.3	5.7
North Dakota	6.1	6.1	6.7
Ohio	3.2	6.2	6.6
Oklahoma	5.1	6.3	6.6
Oregon	6.0	6.0	6.1
Pennsylvania	3.8	5.0	6.0
Rhode Island	5.4	6.5	6.5
South Carolina	5.8	1.9	4.4
South Dakota	6.3	6.3	6.6
Tennessee	2.5	5.6	6.3
Texas	6.3	5.6	6.6
Utah	7.0	6.8	6.6
Vermont	5.0	6.0	5.0
Virginia	4.1	4.7	6.4
Washington	6.7	6.8	6.8
West Virginia	4.0	5.2	6.0
Wisconsin	3.8	5.9	6.4
Wyoming	6.3	6.6	7.0

Topsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending October 18, 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	14	35	47	4
Arizona	1	11	79	9
Arkansas	38	51	11	-
California	60	30	10	-
Colorado	10	40	50	-
Connecticut	-	23	68	9
Delaware	1	3	65	31
Florida	-	13	76	11
Georgia	1	18	70	11
Idaho	11	42	41	6
Illinois	13	39	45	3
Indiana	12	41	42	5
Iowa	4	22	70	4
Kansas	19	40	40	1
Kentucky	7	30	60	3
Louisiana	50	35	15	-
Maine	-	2	61	37
Maryland	-	5	87	8
Massachusetts	-	20	80	-
Michigan	3	25	67	5
Minnesota	6	26	66	2
Mississippi	52	31	17	-
Missouri	29	39	28	4
Montana	15	30	48	7
Nebraska	8	33	58	1
Nevada	30	30	40	-
New Hampshire	5	17	75	3
New Jersey	7	20	67	6
New Mexico	13	38	46	3
New York	-	7	79	14
North Carolina	5	7	70	18
North Dakota	6	34	58	2
Ohio	12	34	49	5
Oklahoma	19	41	39	1
Oregon	38	42	20	-
Pennsylvania	4	16	79	1
Rhode Island	-	25	75	-
South Carolina	-	-	68	32
South Dakota	7	35	57	1
Tennessee	11	29	53	7
Texas	25	42	31	2
Utah	8	38	54	-
Vermont	-	35	63	2
Virginia	2	10	74	14
Washington	25	42	32	1
West Virginia	4	26	66	4
Wisconsin	2	15	75	8
Wyoming	6	42	52	-
48 States	15	33	49	3
Previous week	12	29	54	5
Previous year	8	21	63	8

- Represents zero.

Subsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending October 18, 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	12	29	55	4
Arizona	1	9	83	7
Arkansas	32	52	16	-
California	50	40	10	-
Colorado	10	36	54	-
Connecticut	-	30	70	-
Delaware	2	7	76	15
Florida	1	10	76	13
Georgia	1	19	71	9
Idaho	13	41	46	-
Illinois	7	34	55	4
Indiana	10	40	46	4
Iowa	2	13	80	5
Kansas	15	37	48	-
Kentucky	7	31	60	2
Louisiana	37	39	24	-
Maine	-	2	63	35
Maryland	-	4	90	6
Massachusetts	-	18	82	-
Michigan	4	27	66	3
Minnesota	4	21	74	1
Mississippi	47	37	16	-
Missouri	16	33	47	4
Montana	15	31	45	9
Nebraska	6	29	64	1
Nevada	35	35	30	-
New Hampshire	6	14	77	3
New Jersey	4	11	81	4
New Mexico	9	32	58	1
New York	1	12	70	17
North Carolina	4	7	73	16
North Dakota	5	31	62	2
Ohio	11	25	58	6
Oklahoma	20	39	39	2
Oregon	43	44	13	-
Pennsylvania	4	15	79	2
Rhode Island	-	30	70	-
South Carolina	-	2	66	32
South Dakota	6	31	62	1
Tennessee	11	29	56	4
Texas	19	46	34	1
Utah	11	46	41	2
Vermont	-	50	50	-
Virginia	1	10	76	13
Washington	23	43	34	-
West Virginia	4	22	72	2
Wisconsin	2	15	80	3
Wyoming	8	40	52	-
48 States	12	31	54	3
Previous week	11	29	56	4
Previous year	10	24	60	6

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Corn: Harvested

Cotton: Bolls Opening, Harvested, Condition

Pasture & Range: Condition

Peanuts: Harvested

Sorghum: Mature, Harvested

Soybeans: Harvested

Sugarbeets: Harvested

Sunflowers: Harvested

Winter Wheat: Planted, 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 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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