



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 24 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 93% of the 2015 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	64	64	80	82
Illinois	96	83	89	91
Indiana	84	45	62	77
Iowa	95	88	96	92
Kansas	82	80	90	88
Kentucky	89	82	83	79
Michigan	86	34	65	72
Minnesota	98	93	98	84
Missouri	84	96	97	88
Nebraska	90	74	90	93
North Carolina	95	94	96	98
North Dakota	79	76	91	67
Ohio	84	34	51	66
Pennsylvania	81	52	63	67
South Dakota	89	62	84	84
Tennessee	96	94	97	92
Texas	76	78	79	91
Wisconsin	91	76	91	69
18 States	90	75	86	85

Corn Emerged - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 93% of the 2015 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	42	8	41	41
Illinois	84	64	77	68
Indiana	56	28	39	52
Iowa	76	51	75	63
Kansas	61	51	61	60
Kentucky	66	63	71	59
Michigan	63	6	17	38
Minnesota	83	53	78	46
Missouri	74	85	93	71
Nebraska	68	30	51	62
North Carolina	88	82	88	92
North Dakota	32	22	49	26
Ohio	62	21	28	41
Pennsylvania	58	21	34	37
South Dakota	57	17	42	42
Tennessee	79	81	89	77
Texas	74	64	65	79
Wisconsin	61	17	42	30
18 States	69	43	60	55

Soybeans Planted - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2015 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	55	62	76	54
Illinois	63	29	51	55
Indiana	52	15	31	50
Iowa	65	43	74	64
Kansas	19	14	21	41
Kentucky	36	21	24	28
Louisiana	82	72	82	82
Michigan	69	14	34	48
Minnesota	85	63	86	55
Mississippi	80	72	82	74
Missouri	19	31	46	38
Nebraska	54	29	54	67
North Carolina	41	24	32	34
North Dakota	48	52	81	38
Ohio	64	10	22	46
South Dakota	55	28	56	47
Tennessee	41	35	50	35
Wisconsin	67	33	66	39
18 States	56	36	56	52

Soybeans Emerged - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2015 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	45	48	63	41
Illinois	31	10	20	25
Indiana	21	3	10	25
Iowa	26	4	21	20
Kansas	10	1	7	16
Kentucky	15	7	12	14
Louisiana	71	48	73	69
Michigan	34	-	6	19
Minnesota	41	9	33	15
Mississippi	69	55	66	59
Missouri	9	14	25	17
Nebraska	17	3	13	25
North Carolina	16	5	16	16
North Dakota	13	6	21	8
Ohio	30	3	9	19
South Dakota	18	1	13	13
Tennessee	21	7	21	18
Wisconsin	28	1	13	9
18 States	27	10	22	21

- Represents zero.

Cotton Planted - Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2015 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	58	56	71	69
Arizona	100	95	99	95
Arkansas	87	82	94	84
California	89	91	93	95
Georgia	59	40	58	59
Kansas	8	3	6	28
Louisiana	87	54	79	88
Mississippi	76	64	81	71
Missouri	75	91	95	78
North Carolina	61	39	58	75
Oklahoma	27	20	30	26
South Carolina	73	52	63	68
Tennessee	64	50	67	55
Texas	26	30	31	41
Virginia	76	32	46	84
15 States	44	40	46	54

Sorghum Planted - Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2015 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	88	81	88	89
Colorado	19	3	6	19
Illinois	42	4	6	30
Kansas	8	2	6	16
Louisiana	98	91	96	98
Missouri	35	43	57	38
Nebraska	47	13	30	40
New Mexico	41	10	16	21
Oklahoma	53	36	39	39
South Dakota	24	6	36	17
Texas	72	71	72	78
11 States	40	33	37	43

Peanuts Planted - Selected States

[These 8 States planted 97% of the 2015 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	54	38	54	51
Florida	70	62	74	63
Georgia	68	49	70	63
North Carolina	55	29	51	67
Oklahoma	76	51	65	68
South Carolina	75	36	56	67
Texas	28	42	50	59
Virginia	68	20	34	67
8 States	62	46	63	61

Sunflowers Planted - Selected States

[These 4 States planted 84% of the 2015 sunflower acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	5	4	5	7
Kansas	3	-	-	6
North Dakota	25	21	46	18
South Dakota	3	2	14	5
4 States	21	11	27	13

- Represents zero.

Rice Planted - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2015 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	91	96	98	89
California	96	50	70	82
Louisiana	99	95	97	98
Mississippi	94	88	96	87
Missouri	77	100	100	82
Texas	83	93	98	95
6 States	92	87	93	89

Rice Emerged - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2015 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	80	90	94	77
California	68	15	30	44
Louisiana	95	90	95	95
Mississippi	79	75	88	74
Missouri	65	93	99	70
Texas	79	85	92	87
6 States	79	76	83	73

Rice Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 22, 2016

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2015 planted acres]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	5	9	27	46	13
California	-	-	5	75	20
Louisiana	1	5	33	56	5
Mississippi	-	2	23	57	18
Missouri	-	5	26	54	15
Texas	5	5	34	47	9
6 States	3	6	24	54	13
Previous week	3	5	29	48	15
Previous year	1	5	28	49	17

- Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Headed - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 90% of the 2015 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	99	98	100	99
California	97	96	98	99
Colorado	61	20	43	42
Idaho	30	10	19	8
Illinois	84	80	88	78
Indiana	53	54	74	58
Kansas	92	89	96	83
Michigan	4	2	4	13
Missouri	87	90	96	87
Montana	-	-	1	-
Nebraska	35	34	43	31
North Carolina	96	91	95	98
Ohio	29	32	56	38
Oklahoma	100	95	99	96
Oregon	57	28	46	30
South Dakota	18	5	22	14
Texas	97	97	98	92
Washington	43	39	53	24
18 States	74	68	75	66

- Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending May 22, 2016

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2015 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	3	4	38	45	10
California	-	-	15	35	50
Colorado	1	10	22	55	12
Idaho	1	1	11	67	20
Illinois	3	5	33	50	9
Indiana	1	4	21	56	18
Kansas	1	7	33	51	8
Michigan	1	3	19	59	18
Missouri	1	3	26	59	11
Montana	1	5	27	43	24
Nebraska	-	5	29	55	11
North Carolina	10	18	33	33	6
Ohio	-	1	20	54	25
Oklahoma	1	5	28	57	9
Oregon	3	4	31	47	15
South Dakota	-	1	22	71	6
Texas	2	10	41	39	8
Washington	1	3	16	66	14
18 States	1	7	30	51	11
Previous week	1	7	30	51	11
Previous year	6	13	36	37	8

- Represents zero.

Spring Wheat Planted - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 99% of the 2015 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	100	96	100	97
Minnesota	100	96	98	81
Montana	96	86	93	82
North Dakota	92	87	94	65
South Dakota	98	97	99	94
Washington	100	97	100	98
6 States	95	89	95	77

Spring Wheat Emerged - Selected States

[These 6 States planted 99% of the 2015 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	95	86	90	82
Minnesota	94	78	90	53
Montana	78	48	70	49
North Dakota	66	52	75	40
South Dakota	83	83	92	70
Washington	97	90	93	90
6 States	76	60	78	51

Spring Wheat Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 22, 2016

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2015 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	-	-	26	52	22
Minnesota	1	2	27	59	11
Montana	1	2	25	58	14
North Dakota	-	2	18	76	4
South Dakota	-	1	28	66	5
Washington	-	-	14	80	6
6 States	-	2	22	68	8
Previous week	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Previous year	1	3	27	61	8

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Barley Planted - Selected States

[These 5 States planted 82% of the 2015 barley acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	99	92	97	96
Minnesota	100	95	98	79
Montana	99	89	92	90
North Dakota	94	87	94	59
Washington	99	94	100	96
5 States	99	90	94	81

Barley Emerged - Selected States

[These 5 States planted 82% of the 2015 barley acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	91	79	82	75
Minnesota	90	73	88	51
Montana	88	74	83	59
North Dakota	67	52	74	35
Washington	93	74	83	82
5 States	82	68	80	56

Barley Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 22, 2016

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2015 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	-	-	19	62	19
Minnesota	-	1	20	66	13
Montana	-	-	30	42	28
North Dakota	-	2	19	70	9
Washington	-	-	14	80	6
5 States	-	1	23	58	18
Previous week	-	1	24	58	17
Previous year	-	2	24	61	13

- Represents zero.

Oats Planted - Selected States

[These 9 States planted 68% of the 2015 oat acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Iowa	100	100	100	99
Minnesota	99	97	99	87
Nebraska	100	92	96	99
North Dakota	91	83	92	64
Ohio	93	84	92	83
Pennsylvania	96	95	96	91
South Dakota	99	96	99	93
Texas	100	100	100	100
Wisconsin	98	91	98	84
9 States	99	94	98	90

Oats Emerged - Selected States

[These 9 States planted 68% of the 2015 oat acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Iowa	94	94	96	92
Minnesota	94	84	91	63
Nebraska	97	86	90	92
North Dakota	54	43	71	38
Ohio	79	68	81	68
Pennsylvania	88	86	90	78
South Dakota	89	89	95	74
Texas	100	100	100	100
Wisconsin	89	63	81	60
9 States	89	81	90	76

Oats Headed - Selected States

[These 9 States planted 68% of the 2015 oat acreage]

State	Week ending			2011-2015 Average
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Iowa	1	1	11	5
Minnesota	-	(NA)	1	1
Nebraska	1	(NA)	7	4
North Dakota	-	(NA)	-	-
Ohio	1	(NA)	1	4
Pennsylvania	1	(NA)	-	-
South Dakota	-	(NA)	2	1
Texas	100	95	96	97
Wisconsin	-	(NA)	-	-
9 States	24	(NA)	25	29

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Oat Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 22, 2016

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2015 planted acreage]

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Iowa	-	1	19	67	13
Minnesota	-	1	19	67	13
Nebraska	-	1	21	73	5
North Dakota	2	2	18	75	3
Ohio	1	2	25	65	7
Pennsylvania	6	1	33	53	7
South Dakota	-	-	21	74	5
Texas	3	10	33	44	10
Wisconsin	-	-	16	71	13
9 States	1	3	23	64	9
Previous week	1	3	23	65	8
Previous year	2	6	22	59	11

- Represents zero.

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending May 22, 2016

[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	1	17	66	15
Arizona	17	12	36	30	5
Arkansas	1	5	30	55	9
California	5	15	25	25	30
Colorado	7	9	24	50	10
Connecticut	5	2	35	45	13
Delaware	3	7	28	57	5
Florida	5	11	36	44	4
Georgia	2	6	31	52	9
Idaho	1	2	22	54	21
Illinois	1	1	14	58	26
Indiana	1	3	16	60	20
Iowa	-	3	21	58	18
Kansas	-	2	26	61	11
Kentucky	1	6	20	61	12
Louisiana	-	7	29	57	7
Maine	3	39	19	39	-
Maryland	1	4	26	58	11
Massachusetts	-	5	18	77	-
Michigan	1	6	20	56	17
Minnesota	-	6	24	61	9
Mississippi	1	4	24	60	11
Missouri	1	4	43	49	3
Montana	4	12	41	38	5
Nebraska	-	-	15	72	13
Nevada	-	5	20	45	30
New Hampshire	-	10	38	44	8
New Jersey	-	1	36	57	6
New Mexico	2	17	48	29	4
New York	-	2	36	52	10
North Carolina	2	9	42	42	5
North Dakota	1	4	31	58	6
Ohio	1	2	15	61	21
Oklahoma	1	8	38	47	6
Oregon	1	10	29	46	14
Pennsylvania	5	5	20	52	18
Rhode Island	-	-	-	100	-
South Carolina	-	5	23	66	6
South Dakota	-	2	18	69	11
Tennessee	1	9	30	51	9
Texas	2	7	26	46	19
Utah	-	2	20	58	20
Vermont	-	44	4	50	2
Virginia	4	12	32	43	9
Washington	-	6	18	59	17
West Virginia	2	9	36	49	4
Wisconsin	-	3	26	54	17
Wyoming	-	3	20	67	10
48 States	2	6	28	52	12
Previous week	2	6	29	52	11
Previous year	2	8	30	48	12

- Represents zero.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork - Selected States

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

State	Week ending		
	May 22, 2015	May 15, 2016	May 22, 2016
	(Days)	(Days)	(Days)
Alabama	5.4	6.2	5.8
Arizona	7.0	7.0	7.0
Arkansas	1.9	4.8	5.9
California	7.0	6.7	6.8
Colorado	1.8	5.3	5.3
Connecticut	6.8	4.9	6.4
Delaware	5.0	3.0	3.5
Florida	6.6	6.7	5.6
Georgia	6.6	6.6	4.1
Idaho	3.2	6.3	4.5
Illinois	4.0	1.1	3.6
Indiana	4.5	1.1	3.5
Iowa	2.8	2.2	5.5
Kansas	1.0	4.8	3.5
Kentucky	4.7	2.1	1.8
Louisiana	2.4	6.6	5.5
Maine	6.0	5.1	6.7
Maryland	6.0	2.0	1.5
Massachusetts	6.3	6.9	6.3
Michigan	5.9	3.1	5.5
Minnesota	2.8	2.3	6.0
Mississippi	2.7	6.2	6.4
Missouri	1.2	2.9	2.9
Montana	4.9	3.7	4.3
Nebraska	2.7	3.9	5.1
Nevada	4.0	7.0	6.6
New Hampshire	6.4	5.9	6.3
New Jersey	7.0	5.0	5.5
New Mexico	4.8	6.4	5.2
New York	6.0	5.0	5.5
North Carolina	6.4	4.9	4.0
North Dakota	4.0	5.8	6.6
Ohio	5.2	1.0	2.8
Oklahoma	1.0	5.7	4.1
Oregon	4.5	6.2	5.1
Pennsylvania	5.5	3.0	3.5
Rhode Island	6.5	6.5	7.0
South Carolina	6.0	6.6	4.6
South Dakota	3.5	4.1	6.2
Tennessee	3.4	4.2	4.7
Texas	2.2	5.6	6.0
Utah	3.0	5.8	5.3
Vermont	6.1	5.1	5.7
Virginia	6.0	2.9	2.7
Washington	6.0	6.0	5.5
West Virginia	5.3	2.7	1.9
Wisconsin	5.2	3.8	6.4
Wyoming	1.8	4.5	5.1

Topsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending May 22, 2016

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

State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Alabama	7	23	65	5
Arizona	3	26	65	6
Arkansas	-	17	73	10
California	30	25	35	10
Colorado	2	8	78	12
Connecticut	-	25	65	10
Delaware	-	3	52	45
Florida	5	26	62	7
Georgia	3	25	60	12
Idaho	-	2	82	16
Illinois	-	3	71	26
Indiana	-	3	64	33
Iowa	-	5	84	11
Kansas	2	6	80	12
Kentucky	-	2	55	43
Louisiana	-	16	65	19
Maine	2	33	61	4
Maryland	2	3	54	41
Massachusetts	7	22	71	-
Michigan	1	9	65	25
Minnesota	4	18	71	7
Mississippi	7	26	59	8
Missouri	2	6	81	11
Montana	6	13	70	11
Nebraska	-	3	81	16
Nevada	5	10	75	10
New Hampshire	1	28	67	4
New Jersey	1	11	69	19
New Mexico	10	52	35	3
New York	2	15	65	18
North Carolina	-	6	72	22
North Dakota	4	29	65	2
Ohio	-	-	68	32
Oklahoma	4	16	77	3
Oregon	4	24	66	6
Pennsylvania	-	1	72	27
Rhode Island	-	18	82	-
South Carolina	1	13	72	14
South Dakota	-	8	86	6
Tennessee	2	15	60	23
Texas	5	22	55	18
Utah	-	12	82	6
Vermont	-	10	72	18
Virginia	4	5	58	33
Washington	2	13	81	4
West Virginia	1	10	62	27
Wisconsin	3	18	71	8
Wyoming	-	10	56	34
48 States	3	12	71	14
Previous week	3	11	69	17
Previous year	4	12	63	21

- Represents zero.

Subsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending May 22, 2016

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

State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Alabama	4	16	76	4
Arizona	15	10	71	4
Arkansas	-	9	83	8
California	25	40	25	10
Colorado	3	12	77	8
Connecticut	-	25	65	10
Delaware	-	2	52	46
Florida	4	30	60	6
Georgia	5	24	66	5
Idaho	1	8	77	14
Illinois	-	2	79	19
Indiana	1	2	69	28
Iowa	-	3	85	12
Kansas	3	10	80	7
Kentucky	-	3	66	31
Louisiana	-	15	66	19
Maine	-	13	72	15
Maryland	2	2	65	31
Massachusetts	1	29	70	-
Michigan	-	5	69	26
Minnesota	2	13	79	6
Mississippi	4	20	64	12
Missouri	3	7	83	7
Montana	7	22	64	7
Nebraska	-	3	85	12
Nevada	10	15	70	5
New Hampshire	1	26	70	3
New Jersey	1	7	69	23
New Mexico	9	34	56	1
New York	1	16	70	13
North Carolina	1	5	74	20
North Dakota	2	27	70	1
Ohio	-	2	71	27
Oklahoma	2	16	79	3
Oregon	7	25	64	4
Pennsylvania	-	2	88	10
Rhode Island	-	45	55	-
South Carolina	1	8	77	14
South Dakota	1	9	86	4
Tennessee	2	14	73	11
Texas	4	19	62	15
Utah	4	16	77	3
Vermont	-	13	87	-
Virginia	1	8	72	19
Washington	-	11	89	-
West Virginia	1	10	75	14
Wisconsin	1	13	81	5
Wyoming	2	13	66	19
48 States	3	12	74	11
Previous week	2	12	73	13
Previous year	4	15	68	13

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Barley: Planted, 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 2015 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. Field Offices summarize 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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