



Crop Progress

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Corn Mature – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2016 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	79	42	59	80
Illinois	99	73	90	94
Indiana	93	69	82	88
Iowa	93	73	87	89
Kansas	95	84	88	94
Kentucky	97	91	93	96
Michigan	77	58	73	73
Minnesota	94	55	77	85
Missouri	99	89	97	95
Nebraska	91	70	83	87
North Carolina	100	100	100	100
North Dakota	88	47	62	82
Ohio	82	58	74	79
Pennsylvania	83	65	76	85
South Dakota	91	52	72	87
Tennessee	99	96	97	98
Texas	89	89	91	88
Wisconsin	89	41	58	74
18 States	92	68	82	87

Corn Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 94% of the 2016 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	18	5	8	21
Illinois	59	21	38	52
Indiana	36	16	24	34
Iowa	18	6	8	28
Kansas	60	39	46	61
Kentucky	81	56	66	71
Michigan	10	7	12	13
Minnesota	13	2	4	26
Missouri	68	44	53	65
Nebraska	22	12	13	29
North Carolina	92	85	89	88
North Dakota	9	2	4	19
Ohio	22	8	13	21
Pennsylvania	30	13	24	30
South Dakota	19	3	6	29
Tennessee	93	74	85	81
Texas	76	75	76	73
Wisconsin	12	2	5	16
18 States	33	17	22	37

Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 8, 2017

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2016 corn acreage]

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Colorado	2	10	26	45	17
Illinois	4	8	24	48	16
Indiana	5	11	28	43	13
Iowa	3	9	28	49	11
Kansas	4	11	29	43	13
Kentucky	2	3	11	65	19
Michigan	4	12	34	38	12
Minnesota	1	3	16	64	16
Missouri	2	6	27	49	16
Nebraska	4	8	24	46	18
North Carolina	1	3	19	46	31
North Dakota	6	11	26	51	6
Ohio	2	7	29	48	14
Pennsylvania	-	1	15	48	36
South Dakota	9	16	35	36	4
Tennessee	1	2	10	44	43
Texas	-	3	18	57	22
Wisconsin	3	9	19	47	22
18 States	3	8	25	49	15
Previous week	3	9	25	49	14
Previous year	2	6	19	53	20

- Represents zero.

Soybeans Dropping Leaves – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2016 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	90	82	91	81
Illinois	89	80	90	88
Indiana	90	81	90	91
Iowa	91	84	92	88
Kansas	72	78	87	76
Kentucky	72	55	68	71
Louisiana	96	96	99	95
Michigan	88	83	93	91
Minnesota	99	82	93	95
Mississippi	93	88	91	88
Missouri	76	54	69	70
Nebraska	94	93	96	93
North Carolina	61	50	66	54
North Dakota	99	93	97	98
Ohio	94	80	91	94
South Dakota	98	89	97	97
Tennessee	90	70	83	78
Wisconsin	95	71	86	88
18 States	90	80	89	87

Soybeans Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 95% of the 2016 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	57	47	62	49
Illinois	36	30	52	41
Indiana	30	24	42	35
Iowa	40	16	26	45
Kansas	14	13	22	21
Kentucky	29	17	26	26
Louisiana	85	85	91	83
Michigan	13	21	51	29
Minnesota	61	13	22	63
Mississippi	79	64	73	71
Missouri	22	13	22	20
Nebraska	42	19	23	46
North Carolina	11	10	16	7
North Dakota	70	18	44	64
Ohio	28	24	45	35
South Dakota	56	10	22	59
Tennessee	42	14	29	26
Wisconsin	21	16	32	35
18 States	41	22	36	43

Soybean Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 8, 2017

[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2016 soybean acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	2	6	27	47	18
Illinois	5	8	24	50	13
Indiana	4	10	31	43	12
Iowa	3	9	26	51	11
Kansas	5	14	35	41	5
Kentucky	1	3	19	61	16
Louisiana	-	10	28	54	8
Michigan	3	14	39	36	8
Minnesota	1	6	24	58	11
Mississippi	-	6	24	43	27
Missouri	3	6	27	52	12
Nebraska	4	8	26	49	13
North Carolina	1	6	22	55	16
North Dakota	5	11	31	48	5
Ohio	3	10	29	47	11
South Dakota	5	12	32	44	7
Tennessee	2	4	12	40	42
Wisconsin	2	6	20	48	24
18 States	3	9	27	49	12
Previous week	3	9	28	48	12
Previous year	2	5	19	54	20

- Represents zero.

Cotton Bolls Opening – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 98% of the 2016 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	92	71	83	85
Arizona	95	95	97	96
Arkansas	100	96	99	95
California	88	70	75	88
Georgia	93	84	91	88
Kansas	65	49	58	65
Louisiana	100	99	100	99
Mississippi	98	84	89	93
Missouri	95	84	92	81
North Carolina	89	77	85	87
Oklahoma	77	55	71	81
South Carolina	88	89	96	82
Tennessee	94	77	93	83
Texas	68	56	60	71
Virginia	76	70	87	88
15 States	79	67	72	78

Cotton Harvested – Selected States

[These 15 States harvested 98% of the 2016 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	24	6	22	18
Arizona	23	18	21	20
Arkansas	44	8	29	31
California	4	3	10	10
Georgia	21	11	19	14
Kansas	6	4	5	4
Louisiana	64	43	63	62
Mississippi	53	18	32	37
Missouri	31	6	24	20
North Carolina	8	4	13	7
Oklahoma	3	2	3	3
South Carolina	14	14	19	11
Tennessee	25	4	24	18
Texas	19	22	27	19
Virginia	-	-	5	3
15 States	21	17	25	19

- Represents zero.

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 8, 2017

[These 15 States planted 98% of the 2016 cotton acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	8	33	45	14
Arizona	4	4	10	64	18
Arkansas	1	3	14	46	36
California	-	-	-	5	95
Georgia	7	19	28	40	6
Kansas	-	2	30	57	11
Louisiana	1	28	45	26	-
Mississippi	-	8	32	41	19
Missouri	1	9	30	50	10
North Carolina	-	4	18	55	23
Oklahoma	-	4	8	86	2
South Carolina	-	-	4	60	36
Tennessee	1	6	10	54	29
Texas	12	5	27	37	19
Virginia	-	-	18	71	11
15 States	8	7	25	42	18
Previous week	7	9	27	42	15
Previous year	4	12	36	39	9

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Coloring – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 99% of the 2016 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	98	93	96	97
Illinois	99	96	98	97
Kansas	100	94	97	97
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	96	94	97	96
Nebraska	100	99	100	100
New Mexico	93	84	86	81
Oklahoma	97	91	96	96
South Dakota	100	92	97	98
Texas	96	95	96	97
11 States	99	94	97	97

Sorghum Mature – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 99% of the 2016 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	65	26	47	58
Illinois	79	84	86	83
Kansas	77	48	60	64
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	88	78	87	80
Nebraska	94	62	81	82
New Mexico	25	35	46	25
Oklahoma	84	61	76	78
South Dakota	85	35	51	79
Texas	85	80	82	84
11 States	80	60	69	73

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 11 States harvested 99% of the 2016 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	96	99	93
Colorado	15	1	2	13
Illinois	39	23	50	39
Kansas	28	7	9	22
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	51	25	39	40
Nebraska	32	17	19	20
New Mexico	-	3	3	-
Oklahoma	46	33	36	46
South Dakota	39	1	3	32
Texas	70	73	74	70
11 States	47	34	35	43

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 8, 2017

[These 11 States planted 99% of the 2016 sorghum acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	-	10	36	47	7
Colorado	6	9	19	53	13
Illinois	8	17	29	39	7
Kansas	2	7	33	47	11
Louisiana	-	1	36	59	4
Missouri	-	6	32	57	5
Nebraska	3	2	20	54	21
New Mexico	1	3	40	42	14
Oklahoma	-	4	35	57	4
South Dakota	15	19	44	22	-
Texas	1	3	18	62	16
11 States	2	6	28	52	12
Previous week	2	6	28	52	12
Previous year	1	5	29	51	14

- Represents zero.

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

[These 8 States harvested 96% of the 2016 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	51	25	46	33
Florida	67	42	62	56
Georgia	43	29	41	31
North Carolina	17	13	25	22
Oklahoma	10	1	4	14
South Carolina	23	23	41	32
Texas	13	5	12	18
Virginia	25	20	35	19
8 States	40	25	39	32

Peanut Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 8, 2017

[These 8 States harvested 96% of the 2016 peanut acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	4	28	62	6
Florida	9	20	22	38	11
Georgia	1	5	18	53	23
North Carolina	-	2	17	60	21
Oklahoma	-	-	10	85	5
South Carolina	-	2	9	49	40
Texas	-	4	28	55	13
Virginia	-	-	5	90	5
8 States	2	6	20	53	19
Previous week	1	5	19	56	19
Previous year	2	9	31	45	13

- Represents zero.

Sugarbeets Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 83% of the 2016 sugarbeet acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	29	31	34	29
Michigan	22	25	29	21
Minnesota	37	17	41	52
North Dakota	48	23	61	55
4 States	35	22	42	44

Sunflowers Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 87% of the 2016 sunflower acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	1	-	-	12
Kansas	9	3	4	11
North Dakota	11	2	4	12
South Dakota	13	-	10	12
4 States	11	(NA)	6	12

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Rice Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 100% of the 2016 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	95	88	94	86
California	52	18	40	45
Louisiana	100	99	100	100
Mississippi	89	86	93	85
Missouri	90	65	79	76
Texas	100	99	100	100
6 States	88	77	85	80

Winter Wheat Planted – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 90% of the 2016 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	13	13	18	12
California	8	7	10	7
Colorado	85	57	70	83
Idaho	69	65	86	69
Illinois	18	9	30	25
Indiana	26	11	28	28
Kansas	55	21	27	59
Michigan	38	25	62	45
Missouri	21	10	19	20
Montana	78	53	75	79
Nebraska	94	70	77	87
North Carolina	3	3	9	4
Ohio	28	18	43	36
Oklahoma	62	30	42	62
Oregon	54	36	49	43
South Dakota	77	65	78	79
Texas	46	40	54	52
Washington	80	63	77	77
18 States	57	36	48	58

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 90% of the 2016 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2012-2016 Average
	October 8, 2016	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	6	1	6	3
California	-	-	-	-
Colorado	57	29	38	49
Idaho	46	13	37	30
Illinois	3	-	1	6
Indiana	8	-	5	9
Kansas	27	9	15	29
Michigan	18	3	25	17
Missouri	7	3	7	7
Montana	48	2	34	38
Nebraska	75	42	57	57
North Carolina	-	-	-	1
Ohio	4	-	11	12
Oklahoma	28	2	15	30
Oregon	19	9	24	14
South Dakota	41	21	50	34
Texas	29	15	30	27
Washington	62	42	53	58
18 States	32	12	25	30

- Represents zero.

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending October 8, 2017

[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	-	5	19	66	10
Arizona	7	4	40	44	5
Arkansas	11	29	37	22	1
California	15	30	30	25	-
Colorado	2	14	25	45	14
Connecticut	-	50	50	-	-
Delaware	2	13	52	23	10
Florida	2	11	31	52	4
Georgia	2	8	33	52	5
Idaho	3	7	31	55	4
Illinois	20	27	35	17	1
Indiana	7	23	36	32	2
Iowa	21	24	30	23	2
Kansas	4	12	35	46	3
Kentucky	2	8	29	54	7
Louisiana	1	11	49	36	3
Maine	26	30	28	16	-
Maryland	2	17	54	19	8
Massachusetts	-	5	15	80	-
Michigan	10	27	28	31	4
Minnesota	3	13	31	49	4
Mississippi	1	12	30	52	5
Missouri	4	13	44	38	1
Montana	40	26	20	12	2
Nebraska	3	13	45	34	5
Nevada	-	10	25	45	20
New Hampshire	-	25	39	30	6
New Jersey	-	17	39	42	2
New Mexico	3	16	27	43	11
New York	2	9	29	36	24
North Carolina	3	13	39	40	5
North Dakota	22	30	33	14	1
Ohio	4	16	36	40	4
Oklahoma	3	7	40	46	4
Oregon	25	27	36	12	-
Pennsylvania	1	22	33	42	2
Rhode Island	-	-	-	100	-
South Carolina	-	6	37	54	3
South Dakota	29	25	24	21	1
Tennessee	4	13	34	41	8
Texas	5	15	38	36	6
Utah	1	6	33	52	8
Vermont	-	46	54	-	-
Virginia	12	33	36	19	-
Washington	26	33	30	11	-
West Virginia	3	22	36	36	3
Wisconsin	5	15	26	37	17
Wyoming	7	17	40	33	3
48 States	9	16	34	37	4
Previous week	10	16	33	36	5
Previous year	6	13	32	42	7

- Represents zero.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork - Selected States

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

State	Week ending		
	October 8, 2016 (Days)	October 1, 2017 (Days)	October 8, 2017 (Days)
Alabama	6.9	6.4	5.9
Arizona	7.0	7.0	7.0
Arkansas	6.9	6.9	6.7
California	6.4	7.0	7.0
Colorado	6.5	3.2	4.6
Connecticut	6.0	6.0	7.0
Delaware	4.5	7.0	7.0
Florida	5.3	5.8	5.6
Georgia	6.1	6.6	6.3
Idaho	5.4	5.9	6.3
Illinois	5.6	7.0	5.4
Indiana	6.0	6.8	4.7
Iowa	4.5	5.1	2.6
Kansas	5.3	3.4	2.5
Kentucky	6.7	6.6	5.9
Louisiana	7.0	6.9	6.6
Maine	6.1	5.5	5.2
Maryland	5.5	7.0	7.0
Massachusetts	6.1	6.0	7.0
Michigan	4.3	6.6	5.8
Minnesota	3.8	3.6	2.3
Mississippi	6.7	6.8	6.6
Missouri	4.9	6.6	4.0
Montana	2.6	5.7	4.3
Nebraska	4.7	4.1	1.9
Nevada	7.0	7.0	6.7
New Hampshire	6.0	6.5	5.2
New Jersey	5.5	7.0	6.0
New Mexico	6.4	2.2	3.7
New York	5.5	6.0	5.5
North Carolina	4.4	6.6	6.7
North Dakota	4.6	4.5	6.2
Ohio	5.9	6.8	4.9
Oklahoma	5.3	3.6	3.1
Oregon	5.5	6.8	6.6
Pennsylvania	5.0	7.0	6.5
Rhode Island	7.0	7.0	6.5
South Carolina	4.7	6.8	6.6
South Dakota	4.9	4.3	4.5
Tennessee	7.0	6.9	6.4
Texas	6.4	3.7	4.4
Utah	6.8	5.6	6.4
Vermont	6.6	6.0	6.2
Virginia	4.5	6.9	6.6
Washington	5.6	6.2	6.7
West Virginia	4.4	6.9	6.1
Wisconsin	4.5	6.2	4.7
Wyoming	6.1	4.3	5.7

Topsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending October 8, 2017

[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	18	70	9
Arizona	-	18	82	-
Arkansas	39	45	16	-
California	45	30	25	-
Colorado	1	13	80	6
Connecticut	30	10	60	-
Delaware	22	25	49	4
Florida	1	9	41	49
Georgia	10	38	49	3
Idaho	3	31	60	6
Illinois	24	37	39	-
Indiana	8	31	55	6
Iowa	9	16	59	16
Kansas	3	13	71	13
Kentucky	4	23	66	7
Louisiana	10	56	33	1
Maine	-	51	15	34
Maryland	18	30	48	4
Massachusetts	10	35	55	-
Michigan	19	41	37	3
Minnesota	-	3	69	28
Mississippi	9	39	50	2
Missouri	12	24	61	3
Montana	17	29	44	10
Nebraska	2	7	68	23
Nevada	25	35	40	-
New Hampshire	14	17	65	4
New Jersey	10	28	62	-
New Mexico	3	19	66	12
New York	2	7	81	10
North Carolina	12	43	43	2
North Dakota	8	25	63	4
Ohio	5	31	58	6
Oklahoma	2	9	70	19
Oregon	32	43	25	-
Pennsylvania	20	36	44	-
Rhode Island	35	15	50	-
South Carolina	3	37	59	1
South Dakota	16	20	58	6
Tennessee	15	37	46	2
Texas	5	13	61	21
Utah	4	31	64	1
Vermont	-	91	9	-
Virginia	21	52	27	-
Washington	30	40	30	-
West Virginia	11	29	58	2
Wisconsin	3	18	74	5
Wyoming	8	29	57	6
48 States	11	23	56	10
Previous week	13	28	53	6
Previous year	8	18	63	11

- Represents zero.

Subsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending October 8, 2017

[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	17	71	9
Arizona	-	19	81	-
Arkansas	31	41	28	-
California	30	45	25	-
Colorado	2	20	75	3
Connecticut	10	20	70	-
Delaware	10	51	33	6
Florida	-	9	50	41
Georgia	8	34	57	1
Idaho	6	36	56	2
Illinois	27	40	33	-
Indiana	12	36	49	3
Iowa	16	23	57	4
Kansas	4	23	69	4
Kentucky	5	22	70	3
Louisiana	6	42	52	-
Maine	12	26	41	21
Maryland	11	35	47	7
Massachusetts	5	30	65	-
Michigan	28	39	30	3
Minnesota	2	6	73	19
Mississippi	8	31	59	2
Missouri	11	35	54	-
Montana	30	40	26	4
Nebraska	4	16	72	8
Nevada	20	20	60	-
New Hampshire	10	16	73	1
New Jersey	10	30	60	-
New Mexico	1	18	77	4
New York	-	8	80	12
North Carolina	7	36	51	6
North Dakota	13	29	55	3
Ohio	6	33	58	3
Oklahoma	2	13	70	15
Oregon	46	33	21	-
Pennsylvania	9	36	55	-
Rhode Island	35	15	50	-
South Carolina	-	27	72	1
South Dakota	24	24	50	2
Tennessee	13	24	61	2
Texas	7	13	61	19
Utah	-	39	61	-
Vermont	-	46	54	-
Virginia	14	45	41	-
Washington	16	33	50	1
West Virginia	8	32	59	1
Wisconsin	4	16	75	5
Wyoming	14	30	55	1
48 States	12	26	56	6
Previous week	14	29	53	4
Previous year	7	19	65	9

- 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: Mature, Harvested, Condition

Soybeans: Dropping Leaves, Harvested, Condition

Sugarbeets: Harvested

Sunflowers: Harvested

Winter Wheat: Planted, Emerged

Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil Moisture Condition

Subsoil Moisture 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 3,600 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 2016 season, over 95 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. National crop planting progress, progress of development stages, and condition estimates are weighted using the program State's average planted acres over the previous three crop years. National crop harvest progress estimates are weighted using the program State's average harvested acres over the previous three crop years. Pasture and range condition is weighted using pasture acreage and/or livestock inventories from the most recent Census of Agriculture. Days suitable for fieldwork, topsoil moisture and subsoil moisture are weighted using cropland acreage from the Census of Agriculture.

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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