

# Crop Progress

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Note: These data are preliminary and will be released after 4:00 p.m. each Monday, except for holidays. See tomorrow's Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin for final progress and condition estimates.

**Winter Wheat: Percent Planted,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999-2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	0	NA	0	0
CA	1	NA	0	0
CO	14	NA	9	8
ID	1	NA	2	3
IL	0	NA	0	0
IN	0	NA	0	0
KS	1	NA	2	2
MI	0	NA	0	0
MO	0	NA	0	0
MT	3	NA	1	2
NE	8	NA	9	6
NC	0	NA	0	0
OH	0	NA	0	0
OK	7	NA	5	6
OR	0	NA	0	0
SD	7	NA	8	7
TX	16	NA	11	7
WA	21	NA	31	23
18 Sts	7	NA	6	5

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 91% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

**Soybeans: Percent Dropping Leaves,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999-2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	26	21	14	16
IL	17	4	4	10
IN	29	12	10	23
IA	8	1	10	9
KS	16	3	31	34
KY	10	5	2	12
LA	52	41	25	37
MI	0	0	1	6
MN	2	0	21	13
MS	73	62	50	52
MO	10	4	7	9
NE	7	2	8	13
NC	4	1	5	6
ND	1	0	22	16
OH	21	5	9	20
SD	29	16	42	32
TN	17	9	11	16
WI	0	0	0	1
18 Sts	15	6	14	16

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 96% of last year's soybean acreage.

**Corn: Percent Dough,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	64	41	96	90
IL	99	96	96	98
IN	99	96	91	96
IA	90	81	94	95
KS	98	94	98	99
KY	100	100	96	99
MI	68	49	76	74
MN	74	35	97	97
MO	100	96	99	99
NE	94	92	96	97
NC	100	100	98	99
ND	57	29	98	98
OH	96	91	91	93
PA	91	79	69	81
SD	84	74	95	94
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	99	98	98	100
WI	56	43	83	81
18 Sts	89	79	94	95

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Corn: Percent Dented,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	26	11	68	52
IL	87	76	71	80
IN	82	67	50	77
IA	63	39	75	80
KS	82	70	89	89
KY	91	85	87	95
MI	25	9	28	40
MN	20	6	76	71
MO	91	85	91	92
NE	64	46	73	80
NC	99	95	89	93
ND	13	2	78	70
OH	69	49	44	58
PA	71	44	34	50
SD	35	17	63	66
TN	100	99	99	98
TX	92	91	94	94
WI	14	4	44	43
18 Sts	61	46	68	74

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Corn: Percent Mature,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	2	0	13	11
IL	27	14	17	28
IN	27	14	6	22
IA	9	2	22	26
KS	36	21	57	54
KY	60	54	57	69
MI	0	0	0	5
MN	0	0	12	9
MO	60	38	63	61
NE	3	1	12	19
NC	91	78	68	76
ND	0	0	14	12
OH	5	3	1	9
PA	25	8	4	13
SD	3	1	12	14
TN	72	58	75	81
TX	75	74	80	79
WI	0	0	0	3
18 Sts	17	11	20	25

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Cotton: Percent Bolls Opening,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	28	18	39	48
AZ	70	60	66	73
AR	29	14	38	52
CA	50	40	27	32
GA	51	30	34	45
LA	47	40	57	76
MS	57	39	53	71
MO	32	12	18	48
NC	56	34	14	27
OK	41	21	37	28
SC	34	20	16	29
TN	25	15	28	54
TX	22	20	27	38
VA	68	54	22	26
14 Sts	35	25	32	45

<sup>1</sup> These 14 States planted 98% of last year's cotton acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Headed,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	88	79	92	89
IL	99	98	95	98
KS	91	85	88	97
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	99	98	99	100
NE	98	93	93	97
NM	72	65	72	82
OK	85	82	89	89
SD	100	95	100	99
TX	91	89	83	94
11 Sts	92	88	88	95

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Coloring,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	95	94	99	98
CO	29	17	51	38
IL	84	77	62	76
KS	46	34	54	70
LA	100	100	100	99
MO	84	67	66	78
NE	37	26	47	60
NM	15	11	19	30
OK	45	41	62	59
SD	70	40	73	68
TX	66	61	61	80
11 Sts	56	46	59	72

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Mature,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	80	71	88	86
CO	6	1	22	7
IL	37	9	1	14
KS	9	3	13	24
LA	99	95	95	96
MO	26	10	17	37
NE	2	0	2	10
NM	2	2	1	0
OK	28	19	29	29
SD	4	0	8	11
TX	56	52	55	69
11 Sts	29	24	31	41

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	46	NA	49	46
CO	0	NA	0	0
IL	1	NA	0	0
KS	2	NA	5	9
LA	88	NA	72	74
MO	4	NA	0	7
NE	0	NA	0	1
NM	0	NA	0	0
OK	11	NA	12	13
SD	0	NA	0	1
TX	53	NA	53	61
11 Sts	24	NA	25	30

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States harvested 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Rice: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	11	3	13	17
CA	8	3	1	2
LA	88	75	80	80
MS	28	11	29	19
MO	5	1	0	3
TX	84	71	85	89
6 Sts	27	18	26	28

<sup>1</sup> These 6 States harvested 100% of last year's rice acreage.

**Spring Wheat: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	82	69	91	84
MN	40	33	98	91
MT	70	49	96	77
ND	53	41	95	79
SD	100	98	100	100
WA	98	89	99	94
6 Sts	62	50	96	83

<sup>1</sup> These 6 States harvested 99% of last year's spring wheat acreage.

**Barley: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	77	65	86	83
MN	65	50	99	94
MT	81	61	95	81
ND	73	57	99	86
WA	97	87	100	93
5 Sts	77	61	96	85

<sup>1</sup> These 5 States harvested 85% of last year's barley acreage.

**Oats: Percent Harvested,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			1999- 2003 Avg.
	Sep 5, 2004	Aug 29, 2004	Sep 5, 2003	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	100	100	100	100
MN	90	80	98	97
NE	100	100	100	100
ND	79	62	97	87
OH	100	97	100	100
PA	99	95	99	97
SD	100	100	100	100
WI	98	91	100	100
8 Sts	93	85	99	96

<sup>1</sup> These 8 States harvested 66% of last year's oat acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 5, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	3	6	16	42	33
IL	1	3	15	58	23
IN	3	5	15	50	27
IA	2	7	21	49	21
KS	2	7	19	50	22
KY	0	4	15	46	35
MI	6	14	30	38	12
MN	4	10	33	44	9
MO	1	4	15	56	24
NE	3	7	17	50	23
NC	1	4	23	55	17
ND	6	19	35	35	5
OH	3	9	25	47	16
PA	1	3	10	42	44
SD	5	12	27	47	9
TN	0	2	10	51	37
TX	0	2	13	49	36
WI	6	16	29	38	11
18 Sts	3	7	21	49	20
Prev Wk	2	7	21	49	21
Prev Yr	11	16	29	35	9

**Soybeans: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 5, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	5	23	45	26
IL	2	5	22	54	17
IN	4	5	19	51	21
IA	3	8	24	48	17
KS	1	3	16	61	19
KY	0	3	19	44	34
LA	6	20	35	31	8
MI	3	11	39	38	9
MN	6	17	36	35	6
MS	1	5	15	49	30
MO	3	7	24	53	13
NE	4	12	30	44	10
NC	0	6	22	58	14
ND	4	13	36	41	6
OH	4	10	27	46	13
SD	3	13	29	48	7
TN	2	5	15	54	24
WI	3	10	28	39	20
18 Sts	3	9	26	47	15
Prev Wk	3	8	25	48	16
Prev Yr	9	17	31	35	8

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 5, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	3	5	34	50	8
AZ	1	3	29	40	27
AR	0	4	23	45	28
CA	0	0	0	30	70
GA	3	13	32	41	11
LA	9	14	29	43	5
MS	3	7	22	51	17
MO	0	0	22	66	12
NC	1	3	31	58	7
OK	1	1	39	49	10
SC	0	5	22	68	5
TN	0	1	12	61	26
TX	4	5	19	47	25
VA	0	0	18	37	45
14 Sts	3	5	22	48	22
Prev Wk	2	6	21	46	25
Prev Yr	7	12	31	37	13

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 5, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	2	34	53	11
CO	0	13	28	48	11
IL	0	2	10	69	19
KS	2	9	23	49	17
LA	0	6	52	42	0
MO	0	2	24	60	14
NE	5	13	38	37	7
NM	0	12	46	38	4
OK	0	1	11	57	31
SD	20	28	27	22	3
TX	1	7	24	49	19
11 Sts	2	9	25	48	16
Prev Wk	2	7	26	49	16
Prev Yr	17	29	31	20	3

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2003 planted acres.

**Rice: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 5, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	2	22	48	28
CA	0	0	35	30	35
LA	0	7	34	48	11
MS	0	1	12	54	33
MO	1	2	8	54	35
TX	0	2	34	54	10
6 Sts	0	2	25	47	26
Prev Wk	0	2	27	48	23
Prev Yr	1	3	23	50	23

**Peanuts: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 5, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	2	7	53	30	8
FL	0	1	23	55	21
GA	2	7	34	47	10
NC	0	2	21	72	5
OK	0	2	16	68	14
TX	2	1	13	46	38
VA	0	0	19	46	35
7 Sts	2	4	29	48	17
Prev Wk	2	5	30	47	16
Prev Yr	1	4	22	53	20

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Sep 5, 2004**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX	State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	2	6	32	47	13	NJ	0	0	40	60	0
AZ	26	33	17	19	5	NM	9	19	31	31	10
AR	2	6	34	49	9	NY	0	8	20	56	16
CA	55	45	0	0	0	NC	1	4	21	63	11
CO	3	18	30	40	9	ND	24	19	28	25	4
CT	0	0	16	84	0	OH	1	7	25	55	12
DE	0	0	13	72	15	OK	1	2	17	55	25
FL	0	5	5	70	20	OR	3	14	42	35	6
GA	1	8	37	50	4	PA	4	10	25	44	17
ID	1	13	43	41	2	RI	0	0	30	70	0
IL	1	4	26	56	13	SC	2	8	24	61	5
IN	1	6	23	54	16	SD	22	21	34	19	4
IA	3	11	19	50	17	TN	0	2	21	62	15
KS	4	14	35	39	8	TX	3	10	30	45	12
KY	1	4	27	50	18	UT	7	15	40	36	2
LA	4	11	40	43	2	VT	0	29	36	26	9
ME	0	0	32	26	42	VA	1	5	22	51	21
MD	3	5	29	41	22	WA	3	11	33	53	0
MA	0	2	19	79	0	WV	1	18	39	39	3
MI	5	17	43	29	6	WI	4	12	30	46	8
MN	3	12	37	42	6	WY	40	26	21	9	4
MS	5	7	25	54	9	48 Sts	9	14	27	40	10
MO	1	5	23	59	12	Prev Wk	8	14	27	41	10
MT	26	28	30	14	2	Prev Yr	18	22	29	25	6
NE	16	27	30	26	1						
NV	34	31	30	5	0						
NH	0	0	25	42	33						

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2003 planted acres.

## Crop Progress and Condition Survey and Estimating Procedures

**Survey Procedures:** Crop progress and condition estimates are based on survey data that are collected each week from early April to the end of November. The Crop progress and condition surveys are non-probability surveys that include a sample of more than 5,000 reporters 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 reporters subjectively estimate progress of farmers' activities and progress of crops through their stages of development. They also provide subjective evaluations of crop conditions.

Most reporters complete their questionnaire on Friday or early Monday morning and submit it to the Agricultural Statistics Service's office in their State 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 the time that the questionnaire is completed, reporters are asked to report for the week ending on Sunday. For reports submitted prior to the Sunday reference date, a degree of uncertainty is introduced into the projections for weekend progress and crop condition changes. By the end of the 2001 season, nearly two-thirds of the data were being submitted through the internet website. As a result, about one-half of all data are submitted on Monday morning, which has significantly reduced this projection uncertainty.

Reporters 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 that are used as reporting guidelines are available on the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) website at: [www.usda.gov/nass/pubs/cwterms.htm](http://www.usda.gov/nass/pubs/cwterms.htm).

**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 Statistical 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 reporter 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 preliminary and subject to corrections or updates in the "Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin" National Summary that is released after 12:00 pm ET on the second business day of the week. These estimates are then subject to revision the following week.

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