

# 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.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	100	96	100	94
IL	99	97	100	100
IN	97	93	100	99
IA	95	87	99	100
KS	100	96	100	100
KY	100	97	100	100
MI	100	96	99	95
MN	98	96	100	99
MO	96	92	100	99
NE	100	98	100	100
NC	100	100	100	100
ND	94	86	100	98
OH	100	96	100	100
PA	95	87	93	92
SD	90	80	99	97
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	98	97	100	100
WI	95	82	99	95
18 Sts	97	93	100	99

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	48	26	50	36
IL	66	48	93	86
IN	49	24	84	73
IA	30	10	67	60
KS	73	56	87	86
KY	72	50	79	78
MI	66	40	67	48
MN	20	4	69	48
MO	63	48	90	91
NE	67	38	85	80
NC	92	90	95	93
ND	16	7	69	53
OH	52	41	73	69
PA	44	25	49	53
SD	32	15	66	52
TN	96	90	98	98
TX	88	74	84	92
WI	24	9	55	42
18 Sts	49	30	77	68

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	12	3	11	8
IL	12	5	54	45
IN	6	0	36	28
IA	4	0	32	20
KS	37	18	57	51
KY	41	18	56	53
MI	10	0	15	10
MN	4	0	32	14
MO	26	14	60	68
NE	19	3	40	30
NC	70	56	82	75
ND	0	0	13	11
OH	8	5	19	15
PA	14	2	20	20
SD	3	0	23	14
TN	75	53	92	88
TX	68	62	75	79
WI	1	0	14	6
18 Sts	14	6	38	30

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

**Peanuts: Percent Pegging,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	88	78	87	88
FL	99	98	91	98
GA	99	97	97	99
NC	100	100	100	99
OK	98	94	99	99
SC	100	99	99	98
TX	100	91	87	95
VA	100	99	94	97
8 Sts	98	94	94	97

<sup>1</sup> These 8 States planted 98% of last year's peanut acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	93	83	99	97
IL	93	84	99	98
IN	92	86	97	96
IA	96	89	99	99
KS	86	83	89	93
KY	85	78	90	84
LA	99	97	100	99
MI	100	96	99	96
MN	99	96	100	99
MS	100	100	100	100
MO	76	63	91	92
NE	96	93	99	99
NC	79	70	81	81
ND	100	98	100	100
OH	100	98	100	99
SD	98	93	100	99
TN	92	87	96	94
WI	93	86	99	96
18 Sts	94	88	97	97

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 95% of last year's soybean acreage.

**Soybeans: Percent Setting Pods,  
Selected States <sup>1</sup>**

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	78	61	94	88
IL	70	55	96	89
IN	61	45	88	82
IA	80	67	95	94
KS	65	55	66	75
KY	64	41	73	64
LA	91	87	99	94
MI	92	77	91	82
MN	89	62	95	93
MS	96	93	98	99
MO	41	28	69	72
NE	77	58	90	91
NC	51	39	52	49
ND	96	84	99	97
OH	85	77	99	90
SD	73	54	88	87
TN	77	71	87	83
WI	75	57	89	80
18 Sts	75	60	89	87

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States planted 95% of last year's soybean acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CA	100	99	100	100
CO	100	100	100	100
ID	60	26	88	77
IL	100	100	100	100
IN	100	100	100	100
KS	100	100	100	100
MI	100	100	100	100
MO	100	100	100	100
MT	70	45	96	91
NE	100	100	100	100
NC	100	100	100	100
OH	100	100	100	100
OK	100	100	100	100
OR	93	86	93	90
SD	97	90	100	99
TX	100	100	100	100
WA	68	60	88	81
18 Sts	95	92	99	98

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States harvested 90% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	91	81	88	90
AZ	94	85	97	97
AR	100	100	100	99
CA	90	85	96	94
GA	95	90	93	97
KS	80	50	96	78
LA	96	92	100	100
MS	98	97	100	99
MO	100	96	93	96
NC	93	91	98	97
OK	81	50	55	79
SC	88	78	79	82
TN	99	96	98	99
TX	71	54	72	80
VA	95	93	98	96
15 Sts	84	74	84	89

<sup>1</sup> These 15 States planted 99% of last year's cotton acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	15	7	14	8
AZ	30	20	31	29
AR	4	1	19	9
CA	8	3	7	13
GA	4	1	6	7
KS	0	0	0	1
LA	30	16	23	26
MS	5	2	23	17
MO	2	0	16	8
NC	1	0	6	3
OK	3	0	3	5
SC	1	0	3	5
TN	1	0	15	6
TX	18	17	11	16
VA	8	0	26	23
15 Sts	12	9	12	13

<sup>1</sup> These 15 States planted 99% of last year's cotton acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	67	49	90	90
CA	60	49	69	64
LA	97	94	99	97
MS	81	69	99	97
MO	91	57	89	86
TX	98	97	99	99
6 Sts	74	60	88	87

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	NA	1	1
CA	0	NA	0	0
LA	35	NA	49	50
MS	0	NA	1	1
MO	0	NA	0	0
TX	55	NA	45	49
6 Sts	8	NA	10	10

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

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	99	95	100	99
CO	85	77	76	70
IL	69	47	96	88
KS	72	54	80	75
LA	100	99	100	100
MO	73	60	85	90
NE	72	42	89	83
NM	66	60	29	45
OK	47	37	73	69
SD	84	60	95	91
TX	76	75	93	82
11 Sts	75	64	86	80

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 95% of last year's sorghum acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	77	56	95	90
CO	70	59	20	12
IL	27	3	41	38
KS	14	7	18	20
LA	99	95	92	93
MO	21	15	36	39
NE	1	0	10	12
NM	19	12	10	5
OK	25	19	19	28
SD	19	5	32	28
TX	65	64	79	62
11 Sts	40	35	46	41

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 95% of last year's sorghum acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	16	8	58	35
CO	1	0	2	0
IL	0	0	3	1
KS	1	0	0	1
LA	87	67	82	74
MO	0	0	3	2
NE	0	0	0	0
NM	0	0	1	1
OK	8	6	2	6
SD	0	0	0	0
TX	59	58	57	54
11 Sts	26	24	26	24

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 95% of last year's sorghum acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	22	8	53	40
MN	39	19	94	74
MT	29	13	78	53
ND	56	30	82	67
WA	50	32	67	63
5 Sts	42	22	75	59

<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			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	91	77	100	99
MN	57	35	95	82
NE	95	91	99	98
ND	57	32	64	59
OH	100	93	100	94
PA	91	68	80	76
SD	81	59	99	95
TX	100	100	100	100
WI	68	43	94	83
9 Sts	74	54	88	82

<sup>1</sup> These 9 States harvested 71% of last year's oat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2003- 2007 Avg.
	Aug 17, 2008	Aug 10, 2008	Aug 17, 2007	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	18	4	52	38
MN	15	7	74	57
MT	37	11	69	48
ND	33	17	59	49
SD	66	34	94	91
WA	51	30	70	67
6 Sts	35	16	67	54

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

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	7	14	33	33	13
IL	2	4	22	53	19
IN	4	8	20	49	19
IA	2	7	22	50	19
KS	3	9	37	41	10
KY	1	7	25	48	19
MI	5	10	29	37	19
MN	5	6	22	51	16
MO	4	11	36	39	10
NE	1	4	19	56	20
NC	16	24	31	26	3
ND	3	7	23	52	15
OH	5	11	27	41	16
PA	0	4	18	50	28
SD	1	3	16	50	30
TN	4	14	32	41	9
TX	20	14	26	36	4
WI	4	8	24	47	17
18 Sts	3	7	23	49	18
Prev Wk	3	7	23	48	19
Prev Yr	6	12	24	42	16

**Soybeans: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	5	13	35	36	11
IL	2	4	28	56	10
IN	4	8	25	48	15
IA	2	7	26	49	16
KS	1	4	27	51	17
KY	1	6	30	44	19
LA	5	12	37	40	6
MI	4	11	27	42	16
MN	5	5	22	50	18
MS	5	11	26	44	14
MO	4	14	38	35	9
NE	1	3	21	60	15
NC	3	14	34	42	7
ND	1	4	15	60	20
OH	5	13	32	39	11
SD	0	2	16	52	30
TN	10	19	30	39	2
WI	3	7	22	48	20
18 Sts	3	8	27	47	15
Prev Wk	3	8	26	48	15
Prev Yr	6	12	28	41	13

**Peanuts: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	1	2	37	48	12
FL	0	0	20	52	28
GA	2	8	35	44	11
NC	0	1	23	62	14
OK	0	2	26	66	6
SC	2	7	35	50	6
TX	1	6	33	48	12
VA	0	10	25	50	15
8 Sts	1	5	32	49	13
Prev Wk	2	6	35	47	10
Prev Yr	4	14	34	39	9

**Rice: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	2	5	26	51	16
CA	1	4	29	51	15
LA	0	2	21	69	8
MS	0	3	10	49	38
MO	0	0	4	48	48
TX	1	1	21	61	16
6 Sts	1	4	23	54	18
Prev Wk	1	4	23	53	19
Prev Yr	0	3	24	54	19

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2007 planted acres.

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	1	14	41	39	5
AZ	0	0	21	65	14
AR	1	5	34	46	14
CA	0	1	2	23	74
GA	6	10	36	39	9
KS	5	10	30	45	10
LA	5	14	40	40	1
MS	5	6	22	53	14
MO	3	10	23	56	8
NC	1	6	32	50	11
OK	5	19	48	27	1
SC	10	22	41	24	3
TN	0	8	33	52	7
TX	10	20	33	29	8
VA	0	10	41	45	4
15 Sts	6	14	32	37	11
Prev Wk	8	14	33	35	10
Prev Yr	5	13	31	39	12

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	6	39	42	12
CO	6	15	50	28	1
IL	0	1	14	69	16
KS	2	7	26	52	13
LA	0	7	42	47	4
MO	1	6	43	45	5
NE	0	2	22	57	19
NM	3	13	33	48	3
OK	3	42	30	21	4
SD	3	3	18	60	16
TX	6	16	38	35	5
11 Sts	3	11	32	45	9
Prev Wk	4	13	33	43	7
Prev Yr	2	7	27	51	13

**Spring Wheat: Crop Condition  
by Percent, Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	1	4	25	66	4
MN	1	3	15	55	26
MT	7	15	33	41	4
ND	6	12	30	41	11
SD	2	5	23	52	18
WA	11	33	43	12	1
6 Sts	5	11	28	44	12
Prev Wk	5	13	29	42	11
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Barley: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	1	5	21	70	3
MN	1	3	19	52	25
MT	2	8	43	39	8
ND	5	12	34	39	10
WA	12	17	46	24	1
5 Sts	4	10	34	44	8
Prev Wk	3	11	34	43	9
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2007 planted acres.



**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 17, 2008**

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	8	21	36	33	2	NJ	0	0	60	40	0
AZ	7	15	32	33	13	NM	1	11	26	52	10
AR	0	12	38	44	6	NY	1	8	18	49	24
CA	80	20	0	0	0	NC	17	26	27	27	3
CO	19	29	34	16	2	ND	19	29	30	20	2
CT	2	3	27	68	0	OH	3	14	33	42	8
DE	6	45	39	9	1	OK	6	15	41	32	6
FL	0	5	45	40	10	OR	22	32	34	12	0
GA	13	25	40	21	1	PA	5	15	34	36	10
ID	3	18	39	37	3	RI	0	10	30	40	20
IL	0	2	29	56	13	SC	21	25	34	20	0
IN	4	11	30	41	14	SD	1	5	21	54	19
IA	2	8	31	45	14	TN	14	24	37	24	1
KS	6	9	26	50	9	TX	21	29	34	15	1
KY	6	19	38	34	3	UT	6	14	27	41	12
LA	9	21	38	27	5	VT	0	12	15	62	11
ME	2	12	38	47	1	VA	13	24	41	20	2
MD	10	14	31	37	8	WA	13	26	23	38	0
MA	0	0	17	83	0	WV	0	3	23	69	5
MI	8	28	30	29	5	WI	6	15	38	34	7
MN	10	13	36	37	4	WY	2	14	42	34	8
MS	5	14	33	39	9						
MO	1	6	31	54	8	48 Sts	12	17	31	34	6
MT	8	25	35	25	7						
NE	1	9	25	52	13	Prev Wk	13	18	30	32	7
NV	2	16	60	20	2	Prev Yr	18	20	27	27	8
NH	0	5	26	65	4						

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

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2007 planted acres.

## Crop Progress and Condition Survey and Estimating Procedures

**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 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 various stages of development. They also provide subjective evaluations of crop conditions.

Most reporters 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, 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 by projections for weekend changes in progress and condition. 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, significantly reducing 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 used as reporting guidelines are available on the NASS website at:

[www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/National\\_Crop\\_Progress/terms\\_definitions.asp](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/National_Crop_Progress/terms_definitions.asp).

**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 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.

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