

# 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.

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	97	94	97	99
IL	94	89	98	99
IN	95	90	95	98
IA	99	98	98	100
KS	95	88	93	96
KY	94	85	92	94
LA	100	100	100	100
MI	97	87	100	99
MN	99	96	99	100
MS	100	100	100	100
MO	89	83	84	95
NE	100	99	99	100
NC	87	80	86	89
ND	100	98	100	100
OH	100	96	100	100
SD	99	97	100	100
TN	97	91	95	98
WI	92	90	97	99
18 Sts	97	93	97	99

<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			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	84	77	85	93
IL	72	58	89	94
IN	76	62	76	90
IA	94	89	88	96
KS	84	69	76	82
KY	79	63	73	78
LA	99	97	96	98
MI	80	56	97	94
MN	91	72	96	97
MS	99	98	98	99
MO	65	49	55	79
NE	95	89	91	96
NC	62	49	65	66
ND	92	81	99	99
OH	94	71	94	97
SD	91	81	92	93
TN	86	72	86	91
WI	77	66	88	89
18 Sts	85	72	86	92

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	75	65	79	91
CA	78	63	77	77
LA	99	97	99	99
MS	95	84	87	97
MO	52	31	93	93
TX	96	95	99	99
6 Sts	81	71	85	91

<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			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AR	0	0	0	2
CA	0	0	0	0
LA	44	31	43	59
MS	0	0	1	3
MO	0	0	0	0
TX	61	51	64	66
6 Sts	10	8	10	14

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	43	29	58	50
IL	64	46	80	91
IN	66	42	69	85
IA	49	27	50	72
KS	86	72	87	92
KY	74	53	81	91
MI	41	21	74	71
MN	23	9	41	62
MO	79	69	77	92
NE	76	67	82	88
NC	96	94	95	98
ND	11	3	30	59
OH	75	45	67	79
PA	47	32	69	73
SD	40	16	58	71
TN	93	88	99	99
TX	97	87	95	96
WI	39	18	43	56
18 Sts	57	40	66	79

<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			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
CO	17	9	24	17
IL	12	6	27	58
IN	9	0	20	44
IA	10	3	12	34
KS	45	19	51	65
KY	51	30	52	69
MI	3	0	17	23
MN	1	0	7	29
MO	52	34	43	72
NE	30	13	39	48
NC	87	74	77	86
ND	0	0	2	18
OH	17	4	18	30
PA	13	6	35	38
SD	3	0	11	26
TN	74	60	86	94
TX	81	72	80	84
WI	2	0	4	15
18 Sts	18	9	25	43

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AL	82	75	95	94
AZ	99	95	97	98
AR	100	100	100	100
CA	98	93	92	96
GA	97	92	96	98
KS	85	71	89	88
LA	100	100	99	100
MS	100	99	100	100
MO	97	88	100	99
NC	97	96	95	98
OK	84	64	87	88
SC	88	79	94	91
TN	97	95	100	100
TX	85	78	78	86
VA	99	90	99	100
15 Sts	90	84	87	91

<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			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
AL	3	1	28	19
AZ	43	30	43	40
AR	9	3	7	19
CA	18	10	11	20
GA	4	1	10	14
KS	5	3	0	2
LA	47	18	43	40
MS	8	3	11	30
MO	0	0	4	13
NC	7	3	7	9
OK	0	0	5	7
SC	5	0	3	9
TN	2	0	3	13
TX	15	14	19	18
VA	19	15	10	32
15 Sts	13	9	16	18

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	75	59	94	82
IL	56	54	84	94
KS	80	65	79	84
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	80	68	82	92
NE	89	75	88	93
NM	75	33	73	57
OK	57	50	56	72
SD	85	58	87	94
TX	90	85	85	87
11 Sts	84	74	82	86

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 96% of last year's sorghum acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	83	71	86	93
CO	50	45	79	32
IL	4	2	30	53
KS	11	4	23	30
LA	99	98	100	98
MO	26	16	32	48
NE	6	4	15	24
NM	5	0	27	11
OK	23	14	28	33
SD	22	19	32	40
TX	68	67	66	65
11 Sts	40	36	46	48

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 96% of last year's sorghum acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	29	14	33	58
CO	11	5	4	3
IL	0	0	0	4
KS	0	0	2	2
LA	92	89	96	87
MO	1	0	1	6
NE	0	0	0	0
NM	0	0	0	1
OK	0	0	10	9
SD	0	0	0	1
TX	63	62	60	57
11 Sts	30	29	29	28

<sup>1</sup> These 11 States planted 96% of last year's sorghum acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	0	1	13
CO	0	0	0	0
IL	0	0	0	0
KS	0	0	0	0
LA	48	35	49	55
MO	0	0	0	0
NE	0	0	0	0
NM	0	0	0	0
OK	0	0	1	1
SD	0	0	0	0
TX	60	58	57	52
11 Sts	27	26	25	24

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	80	63	95	92
FL	100	96	100	99
GA	99	97	100	100
NC	100	100	100	99
OK	98	96	100	100
SC	100	99	100	99
TX	99	98	100	98
VA	100	94	100	100
8 Sts	97	93	99	98

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

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CA	100	100	100	100
CO	100	100	100	100
ID	78	59	72	85
IL	100	100	100	100
IN	100	100	100	100
KS	100	100	100	100
MI	100	96	100	100
MO	100	100	100	100
MT	78	56	85	93
NE	100	100	100	100
NC	100	100	100	100
OH	100	100	100	100
OK	100	100	100	100
OR	100	94	96	94
SD	97	90	100	100
TX	100	100	100	100
WA	88	71	83	87
18 Sts	97	94	97	98

<sup>1</sup> These 18 States harvested 87% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
IA	98	96	96	99
MN	56	50	78	87
NE	99	98	98	99
ND	15	10	74	75
OH	100	97	100	98
PA	87	71	95	93
SD	79	67	95	98
TX	100	100	100	100
WI	78	54	83	91
9 Sts	72	62	88	91

<sup>1</sup> These 9 States harvested 68% of last year's oat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	36	17	31	53
MN	15	9	41	63
MT	22	4	58	62
ND	7	3	58	62
SD	74	66	87	95
WA	62	46	55	75
6 Sts	22	13	58	66

<sup>1</sup> These 6 States harvested 98% of last year's spring wheat acreage.

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

State	Week Ending			2004- 2008 Avg.
	Aug 23, 2009	Aug 16, 2009	Aug 23, 2008	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	29	19	36	52
MN	23	16	70	79
MT	26	7	56	64
ND	22	7	77	78
WA	65	39	51	73
5 Sts	27	11	63	70

<sup>1</sup> These 5 States harvested 84% of last year's barley acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	2	7	15	58	18
IL	2	8	29	48	13
IN	3	8	27	50	12
IA	2	5	14	51	28
KS	3	6	20	52	19
KY	0	2	9	47	42
MI	5	11	28	45	11
MN	1	4	22	53	20
MO	2	7	26	50	15
NE	3	5	14	51	27
NC	4	13	28	46	9
ND	2	5	27	57	9
OH	1	5	23	48	23
PA	0	4	14	53	29
SD	1	3	19	52	25
TN	3	5	14	53	25
TX	25	14	24	31	6
WI	2	9	25	49	15
18 Sts	3	6	21	50	20
Prev Wk	3	7	22	49	19
Prev Yr	4	8	24	48	16

**Soybeans: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	7	13	26	38	16
IL	2	7	31	48	12
IN	3	8	27	51	11
IA	2	4	15	56	23
KS	1	4	17	61	17
KY	1	2	14	46	37
LA	6	16	38	35	5
MI	5	11	30	45	9
MN	1	6	24	52	17
MS	3	8	24	47	18
MO	3	6	30	48	13
NE	2	5	15	58	20
NC	1	8	28	54	9
ND	1	4	23	62	10
OH	1	4	24	54	17
SD	1	3	22	60	14
TN	1	2	14	55	28
WI	1	7	26	49	17
18 Sts	2	6	23	53	16
Prev Wk	2	7	25	51	15
Prev Yr	3	9	27	47	14

**Cotton: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	0	1	23	69	7
AZ	0	0	18	58	24
AR	3	7	31	43	16
CA	0	0	10	70	20
GA	2	8	32	46	12
KS	3	6	33	51	7
LA	1	14	35	44	6
MS	1	7	27	52	13
MO	1	12	30	52	5
NC	0	7	29	53	11
OK	0	2	39	55	4
SC	0	2	49	48	1
TN	0	1	20	55	24
TX	14	15	29	31	11
VA	0	2	18	68	12
15 Sts	8	11	29	40	12
Prev Wk	7	10	30	41	12
Prev Yr	6	13	33	37	11

**Sorghum: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	3	11	34	42	10
CO	0	2	21	67	10
IL	0	4	32	54	10
KS	1	5	19	62	13
LA	4	23	49	24	0
MO	0	4	33	53	10
NE	1	3	23	55	18
NM	6	24	12	56	2
OK	2	6	39	47	6
SD	0	1	16	66	17
TX	23	16	38	20	3
11 Sts	11	10	29	42	8
Prev Wk	11	10	32	41	6
Prev Yr	3	10	34	44	9

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.  
National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2008 planted acres.

**Peanuts: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	0	0	27	70	3
FL	0	1	7	75	17
GA	0	4	26	55	15
NC	0	1	32	63	4
OK	1	0	20	70	9
SC	0	3	39	57	1
TX	0	1	25	60	14
VA	0	0	6	85	9
8 Sts	0	2	25	61	12
Prev Wk	0	2	25	61	12
Prev Yr	1	5	28	53	13

**Rice: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	1	7	34	42	16
CA	0	5	30	40	25
LA	1	2	17	56	24
MS	0	1	25	49	25
MO	0	3	15	57	25
TX	12	9	39	30	10
6 Sts	1	5	29	45	20
Prev Wk	1	5	28	47	19
Prev Yr	0	4	24	52	20

**Spring Wheat: Crop Condition  
by Percent, Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	0	1	7	72	20
MN	2	7	23	48	20
MT	3	11	44	35	7
ND	0	1	11	69	19
SD	2	8	28	54	8
WA	0	8	41	47	4
6 Sts	1	5	22	57	15
Prev Wk	2	5	19	60	14
Prev Yr	5	12	28	41	14

**Barley: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	0	0	7	65	28
MN	2	6	30	47	15
MT	1	6	27	43	23
ND	0	1	10	72	17
WA	2	12	57	25	4
5 Sts	0	3	17	60	20
Prev Wk	1	4	17	61	17
Prev Yr	4	10	34	44	8

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.  
National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2008 planted acres.

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,  
Selected States,  
Week Ending Aug 23, 2009**

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	0	1	20	74	5	NJ	0	0	0	60	40
AZ	74	9	9	4	4	NM	9	34	39	16	2
AR	0	3	24	64	9	NY	1	3	21	54	21
CA	55	35	10	0	0	NC	1	10	38	48	3
CO	2	7	32	50	9	ND	1	4	24	63	8
CT	0	11	31	58	0	OH	3	12	33	45	7
DE	1	3	30	63	3	OK	3	11	37	45	4
FL	1	5	15	59	20	OR	18	21	35	26	0
GA	4	11	35	44	6	PA	3	6	20	58	13
ID	0	8	24	55	13	RI	0	0	10	90	0
IL	1	4	20	55	20	SC	4	10	42	40	4
IN	2	7	25	47	19	SD	3	4	22	56	15
IA	1	6	23	53	17	TN	0	3	19	57	21
KS	2	5	31	51	11	TX	27	19	28	22	4
KY	1	4	12	56	27	UT	0	6	34	51	9
LA	5	13	35	40	7	VT	0	13	50	31	6
ME	0	3	26	51	20	VA	1	5	25	56	13
MD	3	9	32	44	12	WA	15	31	35	19	0
MA	0	0	0	95	5	WV	0	2	30	61	7
MI	3	9	40	39	9	WI	6	13	32	40	9
MN	5	13	35	44	3	WY	0	6	33	52	9
MS	2	9	30	49	10						
MO	0	3	28	60	9	48 Sts	10	11	27	43	9
MT	3	17	48	28	4						
NE	2	5	19	59	15	Prev Wk	11	12	27	41	9
NV	4	19	35	33	9	Prev Yr	12	18	31	33	6
NH	0	1	34	63	2						

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## 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, Friday, 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.

**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* that is released after 12:00 pm ET on the second business day of the week. These estimates are subject to revision the following week.

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