

Crop Progress

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Cotton Harvested - Selected States

[These 15 States harvested 99% of the 2009 cotton acreage]

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State	November 14, 2009	November 7, 2010	November 14, 2010	2005-2009 Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alabama	47	83	88	79	
Arizona Arkansas	69 67	45 100	55 100	65 90	
California	79 43	65 71	85 79	80 64	
Georgia Kansas	5	44	61	34	
Louisiana Mississippi	85 80	99 100	100 100	96 95	
Missouri	64	99	100	87	
North CarolinaOklahoma	61 34	74 59	86 69	76 52	
South Carolina	59	69	82	69	
Tennessee Texas	55 56	99 60	99 68	87 51	
Virginia	65	90	94	76	
15 States	57	71	78	64	

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 11 States harvested 99% of the 2009 sorghum acreage]

		2005 2000			
State	November 14, November 7, 2009 2010		November 14, 2010	2005-2009 Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Arkansas	100	100	100	100	
Colorado	53	85	93	76	
Illinois	70	96	98	89	
Kansas	56	91	96	79	
Louisiana	100	100	100	100	
Missouri	66	98	100	87	
Nebraska	42	92	98	77	
New Mexico	66	49	59	52	
Oklahoma	64	83	92	65	
South Dakota	77	99	100	88	
Texas	76	86	90	83	
11 States	65	89	93	80	

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

[These 8 States harvested 98% of the 2009 peanut acreage]

		2005-2009		
State	November 14, November 7, 2009 2010		November 14, 2010	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	49	78	82	80
Florida	92	97	98	96
Georgia	77	84	92	87
North Carolina	90	81	95	97
Oklahoma	75	91	95	86
South Carolina	99	99	100	98
Texas	80	91	96	86
Virginia	100	86	96	98
8 States	77	86	92	88

Sunflowers Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 85% of the 2009 sunflower acreage]

		2005-2009		
State	November 14, November 7, 2009 2010		November 14, 2010	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	64 51 56 54	85 81 76 81	88 90 88 89	86 79 84 77
4 States	55	79	89	81

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 89% of the 2010 winter wheat acreage]

		2005 2000			
State	November 14, November 7, 2009 2010		November 14, 2010	2005-2009 Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Arkansas	25	48	71	58	
California	37	20	25	22	
Colorado	93	92	94	98	
Idaho	90	90	96	90	
Illinois	44	93	97	83	
Indiana	53	67	80	83	
Kansas	81	85	89	90	
Michigan	80	96	98	89	
Missouri	31	71	80	65	
Montana	87	94	98	93	
Nebraska	100	97	98	100	
North Carolina	23	22	40	29	
Ohio	74	91	95	88	
Oklahoma	82	82	92	86	
Oregon	80	78	89	71	
South Dakota	95	96	99	98	
Texas	72	70	72	74	
Washington	91	96	97	90	
18 States	78	82	87	85	

Winter Wheat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending November 14, 2010 [National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	10	13	40	32	5
California	-	-	5	30	65
Colorado	8	35	39	17	1
Idaho	-	2	14	64	20
Illinois	1	8	53	36	2
Indiana	11	24	40	22	3
Kansas	8	19	39	31	3
Michigan	1	4	26	51	18
Missouri	3	12	42	42	1
Montana	-	3	28	54	15
Nebraska	1	10	44	38	7
North Carolina	-	-	26	65	9
Ohio	-	6	30	51	13
Oklahoma	1	7	56	32	4
Oregon	-	2	27	59	12
South Dakota	-	2	28	57	13
Texas	7	18	37	32	6
Washington	-	-	9	73	18
18 States	4	13	37	38	8
Previous week	4	13	38	39	6
Previous year	1	5	30	52	12

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Cotton: Harvested Peanuts: Harvested Sorghum: Harvested Sunflowers: Harvested

Winter Wheat: Emerged, 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 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 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 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 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 2009 season, over 80 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.

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.

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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