

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 21, 2009	November 14, 2010	November 21, 2010	- 2005-2009 Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alabama Arizona Arkansas California Georgia Kansas Louisiana Mississippi Missouri North Carolina Oklahoma South Carolina	58 74 80 90 54 13 95 93 77 74 43 75	88 55 100 85 79 61 100 100 100 86 69	90 60 100 97 85 69 100 100 100 93 73	85 70 94 91 74 46 99 98 91 84 62	
Tennessee	79 68 67	99 68 94	100 80 96	93 62 83	
15 States	69	78	86	73	

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

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

		2005 2000		
State	November 21, 2009	November 14, 2010	November 21, 2010	2005-2009 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	63	93	98	85
Illinois	80	98	99	93
Kansas	68	96	98	88
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	79	100	100	93
Nebraska	65	98	99	87
New Mexico	96	59	77	75
Oklahoma	78	92	94	79
South Dakota	85	100	100	94
Texas	77	90	91	87
11 States	73	93	95	87

Peanuts Harvested - Selected States

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

		2005-2009			
State	November 21, 2009	November 14, 2010	November 21, 2010	Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alabama	58	82	90	85	
Florida	96	98	100	98	
Georgia	87	92	97	93	
North Carolina	97	95	97	99	
Oklahoma		95	100	94	
South Carolina	100	100	100	100	
Texas	96	96	97	95	
Virginia	100	96	100	100	
8 States	86	92	96	93	

Sunflowers Harvested – Selected States

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

		2005 2000		
State	November 21, November 14, 2009 2010		November 21, 2010	2005-2009 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	69 62 82 76	88 90 88 89	97 94 95 98	91 87 93 87
4 States	77	89	96	90

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

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

		2005 2000			
State	November 21, 2009	November 14, 2010	November 21, 2010	2005-2009 Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Arkansas	44	71	89	72	
California	56	25	50	33	
Colorado	96	94	95	99	
Idaho	95	96	98	95	
Illinois	64	97	99	90	
Indiana	64	80	90	89	
Kansas	87	89	92	94	
Michigan	94	98	100	93	
Missouri	42	80	89	75	
Montana	90	98	98	96	
Nebraska	100	98	99	100	
North Carolina	38	40	63	45	
Ohio	80	95	100	92	
Oklahoma	85	92	94	90	
Oregon	93	89	95	81	
South Dakota	98	99	100	99	
Texas	79	72	80	79	
Washington	94	97	97	93	
18 States	84	87	91	89	

Winter Wheat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending November 21, 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	7	18	35	36	4
California	-	-	10	40	50
Colorado	6	31	43	19	1
Idaho	1	2	14	69	14
Illinois	1	8	53	36	2
Indiana	10	22	44	22	2
Kansas	8	18	38	32	4
Michigan	1	4	26	51	18
Missouri	3	12	42	42	1
Montana	-	1	25	59	15
Nebraska	1	9	45	39	6
North Carolina	-	-	22	70	8
Ohio	-	5	33	49	13
Oklahoma	1	6	51	37	5
Oregon	-	5	29	60	6
South Dakota	-	2	28	57	13
Texas	6	20	39	28	7
Washington	-	-	13	70	17
18 States	4	12	37	39	8
Previous week	4	13	37	38	8
Previous year	1	5	30	51	13

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Cotton: 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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