

Crop Progress

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Cotton Bolls Opening – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2011 cotton acreage]

		2007 2044		
State	September 23,	September 16,	September 23,	2007-2011
	2011	2012	2012	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	66	55	69	69
	86	86	90	86
Arkansas	90	87	93	82
CaliforniaGeorgia	52	40	53	55
	76	67	78	68
KansasLouisiana	41	45	61	34
	99	93	97	94
Mississippi	90	87	91	87
Missouri North Carolina	71	76	88	74
	85	62	78	82
OklahomaSouth Carolina	36	50	59	56
	80	39	53	73
Tennessee	74	81	87	78
	71	50	61	51
Virginia	70	50 59	75	73
15 States	73	59	69	62

Cotton Harvested – Selected States

[These 15 States harvested 98% of the 2011 cotton acreage]

		2007 2011			
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alabama	3	-	-	7	
Arizona	15	10	15	15	
Arkansas	5	6	11	11	
California	-	-	-	-	
Georgia	5	3	4	4	
Kansas	-	-	-	-	
Louisiana	58	27	41	29	
Mississippi	15	9	13	20	
Missouri	2	5	16	13	
North Carolina	6	-	-	3	
Oklahoma	-	-	1	-	
South Carolina	8	-	1	4	
Tennessee	2	3	11	9	
Texas	17	10	14	15	
Virginia	-	-	-	2	
15 States	11	6	10	11	

⁻ Represents zero.

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 23, 2012 [National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	1	2	34	57	6
Arizona	1	4	10	52	33
Arkansas	5	7	22	43	23
California	-	-	5	25	70
Georgia	3	9	32	46	10
Kansas	10	26	40	20	4
Louisiana	-	2	20	62	16
Mississippi	1	6	21	51	21
Missouri	10	25	39	25	1
North Carolina	-	2	19	61	18
Oklahoma	29	46	16	9	-
South Carolina	1	2	17	66	14
Tennessee	1	4	25	60	10
Texas	18	28	31	19	4
Virginia	-	-	13	79	8
15 States	11	19	27	33	10
Previous week	12	18	27	32	11
Previous year	25	19	27	25	4

⁻ Represents zero.

Corn Mature - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 92% of the 2011 corn acreage]

		2007 2011		
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado Illinois Indiana Iowa Kansas	27 75 46 74 83	55 87 65 88 86	80 95 82 96 95	45 64 56 62 79
Kentucky Michigan Minnesota Missouri	30	93 44 80 96	96 58 94 98	86 48 46 75
Nebraska	96 36	74 100 80	87 100 92	46 99 37
Ohio Pennsylvania South Dakota Tennessee		38 44 71 97	61 69 88 98	42 46 43 92
Texas		86 40	88 63	83 36
18 States	58	76	88	57

Corn Harvested - Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 94% of the 2011 corn acreage]

	2007 2011		
September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average
(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
1	7	19 54	6 23
6	17	26	14
4 39	22 51	37 64	4 30
41	60	71	45
1 1	6 12	10 30	5 2
45	66	80	33
81	60	76	74
- 1	10	20 8	- 6
3	5	11	14
65	79	36 85	63
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12	26		13
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⁻ Represents zero.

Corn Condition - Selected States: Week Ending September 23, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	46	19	16	15	4
Illinois	42	33	18	7	-
Indiana	37	30	22	10	1
lowa	21	29	32	17	1
Kansas	41	30	21	8	-
Kentucky	47	33	14	5	1
Michigan	20	24	26	28	2
Minnesota	4	11	30	45	10
Missouri	58	26	11	4	1
Nebraska	22	19	26	29	4
North Carolina	4	11	29	42	14
North Dakota	3	10	29	53	5
Ohio	23	31	30	15	1
Pennsylvania	2	10	25	48	15
South Dakota	21	25	32	20	2
Tennessee	22	29	30	17	2
Texas	7	12	30	37	14
Wisconsin	18	19	26	29	8
18 States	27	24	25	21	3
Previous week	25	25	26	21	3
Previous year	7	13	28	41	11

⁻ Represents zero.

Soybeans Dropping Leaves – Selected States[These 18 States planted 95% of the 2011 soybean acreage]

		2007-2011			
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Arkansas	36	50	58	41	
Illinois	52	45	66	55	
Indiana	55	64	80	67	
lowa	48	54	78	62	
Kansas	41	34	47	48	
Kentucky	50	49	59	59	
Louisiana	86	71	81	81	
Michigan	39	42	70	54	
Minnesota	65	84	96	73	
Mississippi	77	73	84	75	
Missouri	34	26	41	34	
Nebraska	38	51	69	53	
North Carolina	24	14	21	25	
North Dakota	75	93	99	72	
Ohio	33	56	73	65	
South Dakota	76	93	98	78	
Tennessee	48	46	62	62	
Wisconsin	42	52	78	54	
18 States	51	57	73	59	

Soybeans Harvested - Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 96% of the 2011 soybean acreage]

		2007 2011		
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	16	28	34	17
Illinois	3	3	8	9
Indiana	2	5	10	11
lowa	2	6	23	5
Kansas	1	3	5	2
Kentucky	3	10	13	7
Louisiana	65	52	60	54
Michigan	-	1	6	4
Minnesota	2	16	45	5
Mississippi	35	58	62	43
Missouri	1	1	4	3
Nebraska	1	5	19	3
North Carolina	3	-	1	1
North Dakota	4	28	56	4
Ohio	-	3	8	7
South Dakota	1	15	47	2
Tennessee	2	4	9	9
Wisconsin	-	2	14	1
18 States	4	10	22	8

⁻ Represents zero.

Soybean Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 23, 2012 [National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	5	14	32	39	10
Illinois	17	25	37	19	2
Indiana	17	21	35	23	4
lowa	13	21	40	24	2
Kansas	34	33	25	7	1
Kentucky	10	13	31	35	11
Louisiana	2	6	26	48	18
Michigan	11	18	32	34	5
Minnesota	3	8	29	48	12
Mississippi	6	9	18	48	19
Missouri	36	32	22	9	1
Nebraska	19	28	35	17	1
North Carolina	1	2	21	57	19
North Dakota	2	11	27	51	9
Ohio	9	18	36	31	6
South Dakota	16	23	34	24	3
Tennessee	2	8	26	51	13
Wisconsin	10	16	34	31	9
18 States	14	20	31	29	6
Previous week	15	21	31	28	5
Previous year	5	13	29	43	10

Sorghum Coloring – Selected States[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2011 sorghum acreage]

		0007 0044			
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Arkansas	100	100	100	100	
Colorado	79	94	99	93	
Illinois	94	98	98	89	
Kansas	71	68	78	85	
Louisiana	100	100	100	100	
Missouri	87	82	91	85	
Nebraska	94	69	80	91	
New Mexico	44	12	24	64	
Oklahoma	65	75	82	77	
South Dakota	95	100	100	95	
Texas	82	81	83	87	
11 States	76	75	81	86	

Sorghum Mature – Selected States

[These 11 States planted 98% of the 2011 sorghum acreage]

		Week ending				
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Arkansas	98	100	100	99		
Colorado	29	25	33	46		
Illinois	64	84	85	55		
Kansas	20	19	28	28		
Louisiana	100	100	100	100		
Missouri	41	50	55	47		
Nebraska	31	19	33	25		
New Mexico	-	-	-	7		
Oklahoma	38	48	52	36		
South Dakota	16	60	87	38		
Texas	72	74	75	74		
11 States	40	42	48	46		

⁻ Represents zero.

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 11 States harvested 98% of the 2011 sorghum acreage]

		2007 2011		
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	82	96	99	74
Colorado	-	4	9	5
Illinois	8	12	14	16
Kansas	2	6	9	4
Louisiana	100	97	100	96
Missouri	10	12	16	14
Nebraska	2	1	4	1
New Mexico	-	-	-	-
Oklahoma	19	31	35	14
South Dakota	1	26	47	3
Texas	60	60	61	66
11 States	25	28	31	27

⁻ Represents zero.

Sorghum Condition - Selected States: Week Ending September 23, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	6	15	27	41	11
Colorado	50	21	17	12	-
Illinois	43	24	24	9	-
Kansas	33	34	24	8	1
Louisiana	-	1	28	61	10
Missouri	22	36	31	11	-
Nebraska	14	45	31	10	-
New Mexico	36	25	27	12	-
Oklahoma	28	32	32	8	-
South Dakota	24	25	36	14	1
Texas	8	14	26	36	16
11 States	24	26	26	18	6
Previous week	25	26	25	18	6
Previous year	21	24	31	20	4

⁻ Represents zero.

Peanuts Harvested - Selected States

[These 8 States harvested 98% of the 2011 peanut acreage]

		2007 2044			
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alabama	8	2	2	7	
Florida	16	18	29	21	
Georgia	6	8	12	6	
North Carolina	5	3	8	4	
Oklahoma	-	-	2	1	
South Carolina	13	6	14	15	
Texas	7	2	4	8	
Virginia	1	-	-	1	
8 States	8	7	12	9	

⁻ Represents zero.

Peanut Condition - Selected States: Week Ending September 23, 2012

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2011 planted acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	=	-	14	79	7
Florida	1	2	20	61	16
Georgia	1	4	20	54	21
North Carolina	-	-	10	67	23
Oklahoma	3	4	24	64	5
South Carolina	-	3	16	70	11
Texas	1	3	26	62	8
Virginia	-	-	12	75	13
8 States	1	3	19	61	16
Previous week	-	3	21	60	16
Previous year	6	16	40	31	7

⁻ Represents zero.

Sugarbeets Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 84% of the 2011 sugarbeet acreage]

		2007-2011		
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho		8 6 12 14	14 12 15 17	4 7 9 9
4 States	5	11	15	8

Sunflowers Harvested - Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 87% of the 2011 sunflower acreage]

		2007-2011		
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	5 1 - -	(NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	2 4 4 1	11 1 -
4 States	1	(NA)	3	1

⁻ Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Rice Harvested - Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 100% of the 2011 rice acreage]

		2007-2011			
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	Average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Arkansas California Louisiana Mississippi Missouri Texas	52 5 97 71 29	72 5 95 81 63 95	84 10 98 89 71 97	50 19 92 62 41 96	
6 States	52	63	70	53	

Winter Wheat Planted - Selected States

[These 18 States planted 88% of the 2010 winter wheat acreage]

		2007 2044		
State	September 23, 2011	September 16, 2012	September 23, 2012	2007-2011 Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	4	=	4	3
California	2	3	4	5
Colorado	47	15	42	54
Idaho	27	6	28	34
Illinois	5	1	5	4
Indiana	4	-	3	4
Kansas	17	5	17	17
Michigan	8	1	9	14
Missouri	3	2	6	3
Montana	40	19	35	43
Nebraska	59	21	47	59
North Carolina	1	-	1	1
Ohio	1	2	3	3
Oklahoma	9	8	21	21
Oregon	17	9	18	22
South Dakota	47	14	37	52
Texas	12	11	30	25
Washington	63	60	70	60
18 States	22	11	25	27

⁻ Represents zero.

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 23, 2012

[National pasture and range conditions for selected States are weighted based on pasture acreage and/or livestock inventories]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	<u>-</u>	4	25	62	9
Arizona	28	20	28	21	3
Arkansas	21	29	39	11	
California	20	60	20	-	_
Colorado	58	26	14	2	_
Connecticut	5	10	23	62	_
Delaware	6	26	49	17	2
Florida	1	2	15	68	14
Georgia	2	10	35	49	4
Idaho	19	33	27	21	-
Illinois	19	25	37	18	1
Indiana	23	26	33	16	2
lowa	47	27	21	5	-
Kansas	55	28	14	3	-
Kentucky	10	22	39	25	4
Louisiana	2	5	31	51	11
Maine	-	-	46	50	4
Maryland	1	7	31	53	8
Massachusetts	-	2	51	47	=
Michigan	14	25	34	22	5
Minnesota	27	28	28	16	1
Mississippi	-	2	19	63	16
Missouri	56	24	18	2	-
Montana	41	33	21	5	=
Nebraska	70	28	2	-	=
Nevada	63	22	10	4	1
New Hampshire	1	4	18	71	6
New Jersey	-	5	15	80	-
New Mexico	52	27	18	3	-
New York	6	30	38	23	3
North Carolina	-	7	30	57	6
North Dakota	28	36	27	9	-
Ohio	23	30	26	18	3
Oklahoma	40	35	20	5	-
Oregon	18	28	26	27	1
Pennsylvania	12	21	29	33	5
Rhode Island	-	-	70	30	-
South Carolina	-	1	20	72	7
South Dakota	43	35	20	2	-
Tennessee	2	10	33	50	5
Texas	24	29	29	16	2
Utah	11	27	32	29	1
Vermont	-	26	49	4	21
Virginia	3	10	30	49	8
Washington	11	19	30	39	1
West Virginia	1	11	50	37	1
Wisconsin	31	35	27	6	1
Wyoming	59	27	11	3	-
48 States	29	27	24	18	2
Previous week	28	28	25	17	2
Previous year	23	19	27	26	5

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Corn: Mature, Harvested, Condition

Cotton: Bolls Opening, Harvested, Condition

Pasture and Range: Condition Peanuts: Harvested, Condition

Rice: Harvested

Sorghum: Coloring, Mature, Harvested, Condition Soybeans: Dropping Leaves, Harvested, Condition

Sugarbeets: Harvested **Sunflowers:** Harvested

Winter Wheat: Planted, Emerged

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 4,000 respondents 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 respondents 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 respondents 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, respondents 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 2011 season, over 90 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.

Respondents 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 respondent 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 subject to revision the following week.

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