



Crop Progress

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Cotton Harvested – Selected States

[These 15 States harvested 99% of the 2010 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 27, 2010	November 20, 2011	November 27, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	93	80	86	90
Arizona	63	60	67	71
Arkansas	100	99	100	98
California	98	90	94	96
Georgia	89	79	85	81
Kansas	74	73	88	55
Louisiana	100	100	100	99
Mississippi	100	100	100	99
Missouri	100	96	98	95
North Carolina	96	85	93	89
Oklahoma	80	68	77	69
South Carolina	97	84	88	89
Tennessee	100	99	99	97
Texas	87	82	93	75
Virginia	99	90	93	91
15 States	90	84	92	82

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 11 States harvested 99% of the 2010 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 27, 2010	November 20, 2011	November 27, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	99	87	90	90
Illinois	100	88	99	96
Kansas	100	95	97	93
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	100	96	99	95
Nebraska	100	98	100	92
New Mexico	88	53	65	92
Oklahoma	96	79	85	88
South Dakota	100	100	100	97
Texas	96	89	93	93
11 States	98	91	94	93

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

[These 8 States harvested 98% of the 2010 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 27, 2010	November 20, 2011	November 27, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	93	84	90	87
Florida	100	99	99	99
Georgia	100	96	98	97
North Carolina	100	97	97	100
Oklahoma	100	88	95	97
South Carolina	100	94	97	100
Texas	98	91	97	98
Virginia	100	100	100	100
8 States	99	94	97	96

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 91% of the 2010 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2006-2010 Average
	November 27, 2010	November 20, 2011	November 27, 2011	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	95	81	92	83
California	63	50	65	45
Colorado	97	99	99	99
Idaho	99	98	100	99
Illinois	99	95	98	93
Indiana	95	95	97	92
Kansas	95	96	97	96
Michigan	100	95	100	95
Missouri	94	82	90	80
Montana	98	88	90	97
Nebraska	100	100	100	100
North Carolina	65	45	63	56
Ohio	100	80	90	96
Oklahoma	97	93	97	93
Oregon	98	83	88	94
South Dakota	100	100	100	100
Texas	82	63	74	82
Washington	97	96	97	97
18 States	93	87	92	92

Winter Wheat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending November 27, 2011

[National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2010 planted acreage]

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Arkansas	1	3	35	52	9
California	-	-	5	35	60
Colorado	1	9	40	43	7
Idaho	-	-	14	72	14
Illinois	-	1	18	73	8
Indiana	-	1	25	62	12
Kansas	4	9	40	42	5
Michigan	2	3	17	59	19
Missouri	1	7	48	43	1
Montana	1	7	55	34	3
Nebraska	-	2	24	64	10
North Carolina	-	1	15	68	16
Ohio	3	12	49	32	4
Oklahoma	2	8	34	49	7
Oregon	-	3	30	45	22
South Dakota	1	4	32	61	2
Texas	16	24	35	21	4
Washington	-	-	23	72	5
18 States	4	9	35	45	7
Previous week	6	10	34	43	7
Previous year	4	13	36	39	8

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Today's publication is the last weekly *Crop Progress* report issued for the 2011 season. The first weekly report for 2012 will be released on Monday, April 2, 2012.

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.

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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