



Crop Progress

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Corn Dented – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 91% of the 2019 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	72	87	93	85
Illinois	74	92	98	92
Indiana	69	82	91	88
Iowa	80	90	94	91
Kansas	92	91	96	95
Kentucky	95	92	95	95
Michigan	50	78	91	76
Minnesota	70	95	97	89
Missouri	86	96	99	96
Nebraska	88	94	97	94
North Carolina	99	97	100	100
North Dakota	53	68	81	82
Ohio	54	77	89	83
Pennsylvania	79	68	91	83
South Dakota	65	88	95	85
Tennessee	98	96	98	98
Texas	99	97	99	94
Wisconsin	55	77	91	78
18 States	76	89	95	90

Corn Mature – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 91% of the 2019 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	18	27	42	29
Illinois	23	37	53	60
Indiana	23	34	50	51
Iowa	15	45	66	45
Kansas	55	49	67	67
Kentucky	79	71	81	82
Michigan	7	19	37	26
Minnesota	6	45	63	35
Missouri	47	44	65	71
Nebraska	32	48	65	47
North Carolina	94	90	93	96
North Dakota	4	18	39	31
Ohio	14	14	30	37
Pennsylvania	45	17	35	47
South Dakota	10	47	64	36
Tennessee	92	61	78	91
Texas	74	79	84	76
Wisconsin	6	26	49	30
18 States	26	41	59	49

Corn Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 93% of the 2019 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	3	1	5	2
Illinois	2	2	4	11
Indiana	2	1	5	8
Iowa	-	1	4	2
Kansas	16	8	16	22
Kentucky	39	13	30	39
Michigan	-	-	-	1
Minnesota	-	-	1	1
Missouri	13	6	13	26
Nebraska	2	4	10	4
North Carolina	78	47	63	75
North Dakota	-	-	3	1
Ohio	1	-	1	3
Pennsylvania	10	-	1	9
South Dakota	-	1	5	2
Tennessee	52	12	27	53
Texas	63	67	69	64
Wisconsin	-	-	1	1
18 States	6	5	8	10

- Represents zero.

Corn Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

[These 18 States planted 91% of the 2019 corn acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	16	19	26	34	5
Illinois	2	6	19	56	17
Indiana	3	8	28	47	14
Iowa	11	15	32	38	4
Kansas	5	11	30	43	11
Kentucky	1	2	8	63	26
Michigan	3	8	33	46	10
Minnesota	2	4	17	53	24
Missouri	2	4	18	56	20
Nebraska	6	9	21	44	20
North Carolina	6	10	32	42	10
North Dakota	5	8	29	51	7
Ohio	4	12	39	40	5
Pennsylvania	8	15	39	29	9
South Dakota	4	6	19	62	9
Tennessee	1	3	21	60	15
Texas	5	14	39	31	11
Wisconsin	2	5	16	47	30
18 States	5	9	25	47	14
Previous week	5	10	25	46	14
Previous year	3	10	30	46	11

Soybeans Dropping Leaves – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 96% of the 2019 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	42	35	48	54
Illinois	11	17	44	43
Indiana	20	39	64	52
Iowa	17	41	66	45
Kansas	23	32	48	34
Kentucky	36	24	36	35
Louisiana	78	80	87	83
Michigan	30	36	71	47
Minnesota	30	41	71	57
Mississippi	60	52	64	71
Missouri	9	6	24	22
Nebraska	46	61	82	62
North Carolina	41	18	26	35
North Dakota	60	57	75	78
Ohio	21	33	54	48
South Dakota	24	61	80	61
Tennessee	52	24	37	51
Wisconsin	19	25	56	39
18 States	29	37	59	50

Soybeans Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 96% of the 2019 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	15	6	12	21
Illinois	-	(NA)	1	4
Indiana	1	(NA)	4	5
Iowa	-	1	7	2
Kansas	-	(NA)	2	1
Kentucky	11	4	8	8
Louisiana	51	50	66	59
Michigan	1	-	1	1
Minnesota	-	-	7	7
Mississippi	21	12	22	38
Missouri	-	(NA)	-	2
Nebraska	-	3	10	4
North Carolina	11	-	1	5
North Dakota	1	1	8	7
Ohio	1	(NA)	2	3
South Dakota	-	1	5	4
Tennessee	15	2	7	9
Wisconsin	-	(NA)	1	1
18 States	2	(NA)	6	6

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Soybean Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

[These 18 States planted 96% of the 2019 soybean acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	2	7	25	48	18
Illinois	2	5	22	56	15
Indiana	2	8	28	49	13
Iowa	6	13	33	43	5
Kansas	4	14	37	36	9
Kentucky	1	2	10	65	22
Louisiana	-	2	48	38	12
Michigan	2	7	29	48	14
Minnesota	1	4	19	59	17
Mississippi	2	8	25	52	13
Missouri	1	2	22	57	18
Nebraska	5	8	21	49	17
North Carolina	3	7	33	50	7
North Dakota	8	8	36	43	5
Ohio	3	8	34	49	6
South Dakota	5	7	23	59	6
Tennessee	2	4	20	60	14
Wisconsin	2	4	15	44	35
18 States	3	7	27	51	12
Previous week	3	8	26	50	13
Previous year	3	10	33	45	9

- Represents zero.

Cotton Bolls Opening – Selected States

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2019 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	78	55	66	72
Arizona	95	96	98	88
Arkansas	89	84	91	84
California	43	20	40	45
Georgia	78	52	64	74
Kansas	24	26	41	32
Louisiana	86	83	95	94
Mississippi	72	54	73	79
Missouri	55	31	62	65
North Carolina	72	39	49	69
Oklahoma	51	35	45	45
South Carolina	80	20	39	67
Tennessee	63	29	50	67
Texas	53	45	53	43
Virginia	69	34	49	55
15 States	61	47	57	55

Cotton Harvested – Selected States

[These 15 States harvested 99% of the 2019 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	3	-	-	2
Arizona	9	7	12	13
Arkansas	8	-	1	6
California	-	-	-	-
Georgia	8	-	1	4
Kansas	-	-	-	1
Louisiana	16	2	16	17
Mississippi	5	1	6	7
Missouri	4	-	2	2
North Carolina	2	-	-	1
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	2	-	-	2
Tennessee	4	-	1	4
Texas	16	13	20	16
Virginia	-	-	1	-
15 States	10	6	11	10

- Represents zero.

Cotton Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

[These 15 States planted 99% of the 2019 cotton acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	2	14	71	13
Arizona	-	-	4	63	33
Arkansas	1	3	13	47	36
California	-	-	45	50	5
Georgia	2	6	22	57	13
Kansas	1	10	41	42	6
Louisiana	-	3	44	46	7
Mississippi	1	10	27	46	16
Missouri	2	11	37	50	-
North Carolina	3	12	31	46	8
Oklahoma	-	1	62	37	-
South Carolina	5	8	13	56	18
Tennessee	6	12	18	50	14
Texas	14	27	29	23	7
Virginia	-	3	24	73	-
15 States	9	18	28	35	10
Previous week	7	20	28	36	9
Previous year	3	16	42	32	7

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Coloring – Selected States

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2019 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	79	75	87	86
Kansas	82	82	91	88
Nebraska	90	84	93	94
Oklahoma	82	73	80	86
South Dakota	74	93	97	83
Texas	99	92	95	92
6 States	87	85	92	89

Sorghum Mature – Selected States

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2019 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	24	35	47	24
Kansas	18	17	32	28
Nebraska	17	26	49	36
Oklahoma	37	27	40	47
South Dakota	12	32	44	26
Texas	88	81	88	79
6 States	40	39	51	48

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 100% of the 2019 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	-	3	15	-
Kansas	2	1	2	5
Nebraska	-	1	2	3
Oklahoma	9	2	10	20
South Dakota	1	-	4	2
Texas	82	77	81	70
6 States	25	23	27	29

- Represents zero.

Sorghum Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2019 sorghum acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	11	21	48	17	3
Kansas	2	7	32	47	12
Nebraska	4	8	22	39	27
Oklahoma	10	23	39	27	1
South Dakota	-	4	31	62	3
Texas	8	14	33	32	13
6 States	5	11	33	40	11
Previous week	6	11	31	40	12
Previous year	2	6	27	51	14

- Represents zero.

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

[These 8 States harvested 96% of the 2019 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	12	3	5	7
Florida	31	20	23	25
Georgia	11	2	4	9
North Carolina	5	-	1	2
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	8	3	8	7
Texas	-	-	6	4
Virginia	13	-	6	6
8 States	11	4	6	9

- Represents zero.

Peanut Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

[These 8 States planted 96% of the 2019 peanut acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	2	16	61	21
Florida	14	2	49	33	2
Georgia	1	7	18	57	17
North Carolina	-	1	19	69	11
Oklahoma	-	-	-	87	13
South Carolina	1	2	12	67	18
Texas	4	10	40	45	1
Virginia	-	-	47	53	-
8 States	3	5	24	55	13
Previous week	2	6	21	57	14
Previous year	1	7	31	54	7

- Represents zero.

Sugarbeets Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 83% of the 2019 sugarbeet acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	8	3	13	15
Michigan	7	18	25	13
Minnesota	10	10	14	11
North Dakota	12	10	12	12
4 States	10	(NA)	15	12

(NA) Not available.

Rice Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 100% of the 2019 rice acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	56	24	44	63
California	9	5	10	10
Louisiana	90	89	91	94
Mississippi	60	28	46	66
Missouri	38	1	16	38
Texas	93	96	98	96
6 States	55	34	47	59

Rice Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

[These 6 States planted 100% of the 2019 rice acreage]

State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	2	6	31	43	18
California	-	-	-	80	20
Louisiana	1	3	17	66	13
Mississippi	-	1	30	51	18
Missouri	1	8	22	47	22
Texas	-	-	14	73	13
6 States	1	4	21	56	18
Previous week	1	4	23	56	16
Previous year	1	5	25	47	22

- Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Planted – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 91% of the 2019 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	2	-	-	1
California	4	-	5	4
Colorado	37	30	45	38
Idaho	23	9	22	27
Illinois	1	-	-	1
Indiana	1	1	6	4
Kansas	12	2	14	12
Michigan	8	3	9	7
Missouri	1	-	-	1
Montana	12	13	18	21
Nebraska	42	9	40	43
North Carolina	-	-	1	-
Ohio	8	1	3	3
Oklahoma	17	6	15	15
Oregon	19	9	14	14
South Dakota	19	20	36	35
Texas	18	7	18	20
Washington	42	44	49	50
18 States	18	10	20	19

- Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 91% of the 2019 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	-	(NA)	-	-
California	-	(NA)	-	-
Colorado	15	8	13	14
Idaho	2	(NA)	3	4
Illinois	-	(NA)	-	-
Indiana	-	(NA)	-	-
Kansas	2	(NA)	1	2
Michigan	-	(NA)	-	-
Missouri	-	(NA)	-	-
Montana	-	(NA)	-	-
Nebraska	-	(NA)	4	7
North Carolina	-	(NA)	-	-
Ohio	-	(NA)	-	-
Oklahoma	-	(NA)	-	-
Oregon	2	(NA)	3	1
South Dakota	3	-	5	3
Texas	-	(NA)	1	2
Washington	4	(NA)	16	18
18 States	2	(NA)	3	2

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Spring Wheat Harvested – Selected States

[These 6 States harvested 100% of the 2019 spring wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2015-2019 Average
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Idaho	93	94	98	98
Minnesota	91	97	99	98
Montana	77	92	95	93
North Dakota	82	90	95	95
South Dakota	98	98	99	100
Washington	90	87	94	98
6 States	84	92	96	96

Pasture and Range Condition – Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

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

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Alabama	1	2	23	68	6
Arizona	32	39	25	4	-
Arkansas	3	8	40	41	8
California	45	10	35	10	-
Colorado	21	30	32	17	-
Connecticut	70	20	5	5	-
Delaware	-	7	39	50	4
Florida	1	3	20	58	18
Georgia	2	8	28	54	8
Idaho	7	24	37	32	-
Illinois	4	11	32	50	3
Indiana	10	18	36	33	3
Iowa	17	28	38	16	1
Kansas	7	18	38	34	3
Kentucky	2	5	22	61	10
Louisiana	-	4	24	69	3
Maine	38	40	22	-	-
Maryland	-	15	45	31	9
Massachusetts	70	20	5	5	-
Michigan	5	22	35	32	6
Minnesota	3	7	35	50	5
Mississippi	3	11	29	50	7
Missouri	2	11	34	46	7
Montana	25	34	29	12	-
Nebraska	11	22	27	38	2
Nevada	20	20	35	25	-
New Hampshire	59	21	20	-	-
New Jersey	-	-	11	81	8
New Mexico	15	34	37	12	2
New York	14	18	34	29	5
North Carolina	1	13	22	58	6
North Dakota	10	21	46	22	1
Ohio	3	15	44	35	3
Oklahoma	5	10	35	47	3
Oregon	44	40	13	3	-
Pennsylvania	23	27	30	17	3
Rhode Island	90	10	-	-	-
South Carolina	-	8	39	48	5
South Dakota	6	20	47	26	1
Tennessee	1	6	31	51	11
Texas	9	22	38	26	5
Utah	12	28	41	19	-
Vermont	-	-	-	75	25
Virginia	1	5	25	59	10
Washington	21	32	38	9	-
West Virginia	5	13	21	55	6
Wisconsin	4	7	27	39	23
Wyoming	36	35	19	10	-
48 States	16	25	32	24	3
Previous week	17	25	34	22	2
Previous year	7	17	31	38	7

- Represents zero.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork - Selected States

[Days suitable for fieldwork are weighted based on cropland acreage]

State	Week ending		
	September 20, 2019	September 13, 2020	September 20, 2020
	(Days)	(Days)	(Days)
Alabama	6.7	6.0	4.2
Arizona	7.0	7.0	7.0
Arkansas	6.6	6.3	6.7
California	6.7	6.8	7.0
Colorado	6.7	4.9	6.9
Connecticut	7.0	7.0	7.0
Delaware	7.0	6.5	5.5
Florida	6.7	5.6	5.5
Georgia	6.6	6.0	4.2
Idaho	5.4	6.8	6.6
Illinois	5.5	4.6	6.5
Indiana	6.6	5.9	6.8
Iowa	3.3	1.4	6.2
Kansas	6.1	3.7	6.6
Kentucky	6.8	5.7	6.4
Louisiana	5.6	6.4	6.1
Maine	6.3	7.0	7.0
Maryland	7.0	3.0	6.0
Massachusetts	7.0	6.5	7.0
Michigan	5.4	3.9	6.2
Minnesota	3.7	4.8	6.2
Mississippi	6.4	5.8	6.1
Missouri	5.7	3.7	6.6
Montana	3.9	6.1	7.0
Nebraska	5.4	3.3	6.7
Nevada	7.0	6.5	6.0
New Hampshire	6.8	6.6	7.0
New Jersey	7.0	6.0	7.0
New Mexico	6.6	5.9	6.8
New York	6.0	5.5	6.5
North Carolina	6.9	5.1	4.3
North Dakota	4.0	6.0	6.8
Ohio	6.6	4.8	6.4
Oklahoma	6.1	3.7	6.2
Oregon	5.7	5.9	6.3
Pennsylvania	6.5	6.0	7.0
Rhode Island	7.0	6.0	7.0
South Carolina	6.5	5.7	4.6
South Dakota	4.9	5.3	6.7
Tennessee	6.9	5.5	5.9
Texas	5.8	4.8	5.4
Utah	6.6	6.5	6.6
Vermont	6.4	4.1	7.0
Virginia	6.9	5.2	5.0
Washington	4.9	6.0	6.6
West Virginia	6.8	6.0	6.6
Wisconsin	3.4	3.2	6.3
Wyoming	6.4	4.7	6.5

Topsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

[National topsoil moisture conditions for selected States are weighted based on cropland acreage]

State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Alabama	-	7	62	31
Arizona	15	15	70	-
Arkansas	3	40	52	5
California	70	5	25	-
Colorado	25	43	31	1
Connecticut	22	19	59	-
Delaware	-	41	57	2
Florida	-	6	57	37
Georgia	2	10	58	30
Idaho	35	38	27	-
Illinois	9	27	61	3
Indiana	18	44	37	1
Iowa	12	29	56	3
Kansas	8	29	61	2
Kentucky	2	15	78	5
Louisiana	8	23	66	3
Maine	43	57	-	-
Maryland	-	5	79	16
Massachusetts	22	19	59	-
Michigan	5	24	67	4
Minnesota	3	8	83	6
Mississippi	16	40	41	3
Missouri	4	21	75	-
Montana	22	46	29	3
Nebraska	16	36	47	1
Nevada	25	35	40	-
New Hampshire	67	33	-	-
New Jersey	-	16	74	10
New Mexico	38	53	9	-
New York	20	28	51	1
North Carolina	-	15	63	22
North Dakota	14	35	46	5
Ohio	12	30	57	1
Oklahoma	5	19	75	1
Oregon	58	31	11	-
Pennsylvania	18	41	41	-
Rhode Island	67	25	8	-
South Carolina	-	3	62	35
South Dakota	11	40	48	1
Tennessee	1	15	78	6
Texas	19	27	48	6
Utah	32	40	28	-
Vermont	-	10	90	-
Virginia	-	6	82	12
Washington	30	39	31	-
West Virginia	11	19	67	3
Wisconsin	4	16	77	3
Wyoming	40	25	35	-
48 States	14	28	54	4
Previous week	13	25	56	6
Previous year	11	22	55	12

- Represents zero.

Subsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending September 20, 2020

[National subsoil moisture conditions for selected States are weighted based on cropland acreage]

State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Alabama	-	5	66	29
Arizona	15	14	71	-
Arkansas	5	25	63	7
California	75	5	20	-
Colorado	32	43	25	-
Connecticut	20	19	61	-
Delaware	-	44	31	25
Florida	-	2	58	40
Georgia	3	10	68	19
Idaho	34	39	27	-
Illinois	8	27	63	2
Indiana	15	45	39	1
Iowa	21	32	46	1
Kansas	8	30	60	2
Kentucky	2	13	80	5
Louisiana	2	21	73	4
Maine	47	51	2	-
Maryland	-	5	78	17
Massachusetts	20	19	61	-
Michigan	8	32	55	5
Minnesota	4	9	80	7
Mississippi	13	38	47	2
Missouri	3	21	76	-
Montana	22	41	34	3
Nebraska	21	35	43	1
Nevada	20	35	45	-
New Hampshire	67	16	17	-
New Jersey	-	8	83	9
New Mexico	38	48	14	-
New York	16	22	62	-
North Carolina	-	13	71	16
North Dakota	12	30	54	4
Ohio	11	34	53	2
Oklahoma	14	22	63	1
Oregon	46	42	12	-
Pennsylvania	22	42	36	-
Rhode Island	59	32	9	-
South Carolina	-	2	67	31
South Dakota	7	36	56	1
Tennessee	1	10	82	7
Texas	20	28	47	5
Utah	30	30	39	1
Vermont	-	-	100	-
Virginia	-	6	85	9
Washington	28	37	35	-
West Virginia	10	18	68	4
Wisconsin	3	15	78	4
Wyoming	49	27	24	-
48 States	15	28	53	4
Previous week	14	26	55	5
Previous year	9	23	58	10

- 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

Winter Wheat: Planted, Emerged

Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil Moisture Condition

Subsoil Moisture 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 3,600 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 2019 season, over 95 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. Field Offices summarize 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. National crop planting progress, progress of development stages, and condition estimates are weighted using the program State's average planted acres over the previous three crop years. National crop harvest progress estimates are weighted using the program State's average harvested acres over the previous three crop years. Pasture and range condition is weighted using pasture acreage and/or livestock inventories from the most recent Census of Agriculture. Days suitable for fieldwork, topsoil moisture and subsoil moisture are weighted using cropland acreage from the Census of Agriculture.

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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