



Crop Progress

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Special Note

COMING SOON - NASS's annual December surveys on crops and livestock. During the first two weeks of December, NASS will survey over 81,000 United States producers. One of USDA's largest survey efforts, the responses will provide the final information about 2018 U.S. row crops focusing on harvested acreage, production, and storage. The survey will also be used to help establish county level estimates used by the Farm Service Agency for the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) program and the Risk Management Agency to administer insurance programs. In addition, hog producers will be asked about their current inventory, pig crop, and farrowing intentions for the next six months. The results will be available beginning with the *Hogs and Pigs* report on December 21, followed by the *Annual Crop Production Summary* and other reports on January 11. County level row crop estimates will be released later in 2019. **Farmers should watch for their survey and be sure to respond. Your information matters!**

Corn Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 94% of the 2017 corn acreage]

State	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	93	87	97	96
Illinois	98	100	100	99
Indiana	92	92	95	96
Iowa	95	91	96	97
Kansas	98	92	94	99
Kentucky	96	95	96	98
Michigan	83	74	82	84
Minnesota	95	93	96	98
Missouri	99	95	100	98
Nebraska	96	88	94	97
North Carolina	100	100	100	100
North Dakota	93	71	80	93
Ohio	86	82	86	93
Pennsylvania	85	76	82	89
South Dakota	96	82	90	97
Tennessee	100	100	100	100
Texas	99	95	98	98
Wisconsin	79	80	88	85
18 States	94	90	94	96

Soybeans Harvested – Selected States

[These 18 States harvested 95% of the 2017 soybean acreage]

State	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	83	88	99
Illinois	100	96	100	100
Indiana	95	93	95	98
Iowa	100	97	98	100
Kansas	97	81	92	97
Kentucky	85	75	80	91
Louisiana	100	97	98	100
Michigan	94	83	89	97
Minnesota	100	98	99	100
Mississippi	100	95	97	100
Missouri	94	77	85	95
Nebraska	100	97	99	100
North Carolina	75	58	64	71
North Dakota	100	93	94	100
Ohio	99	88	90	99
South Dakota	100	98	100	100
Tennessee	90	74	83	92
Wisconsin	96	91	94	98
18 States	99	91	94	98

Cotton Harvested – Selected States

[These 15 States harvested 98% of the 2017 cotton acreage]

State	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	78	74	78	86
Arizona	67	58	70	69
Arkansas	100	95	98	100
California	79	75	80	92
Georgia	83	65	72	81
Kansas	55	25	38	59
Louisiana	100	98	99	100
Mississippi	99	91	94	99
Missouri	97	96	100	93
North Carolina	89	77	81	84
Oklahoma	71	51	71	67
South Carolina	89	55	65	81
Tennessee	90	87	92	88
Texas	70	47	60	65
Virginia	92	84	89	92
15 States	78	59	70	77

Sorghum Harvested – Selected States

[These 11 States harvested 99% of the 2017 sorghum acreage]

State	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	100	100	100	100
Colorado	95	65	83	95
Illinois	95	93	94	97
Kansas	93	71	83	95
Louisiana	100	100	100	100
Missouri	95	89	93	96
Nebraska	95	91	95	98
New Mexico	74	40	68	69
Oklahoma	93	82	90	94
South Dakota	94	86	94	97
Texas	96	93	96	93
11 States	94	80	89	94

Peanuts Harvested – Selected States

[These 8 States harvested 96% of the 2017 peanut acreage]

State	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	97	86	91	96
Florida	100	94	97	99
Georgia	99	89	93	97
North Carolina	97	90	93	95
Oklahoma	95	75	85	94
South Carolina	96	71	79	93
Texas	90	70	80	93
Virginia	100	97	98	100
8 States	97	86	91	96

Sunflowers Harvested – Selected States

[These 4 States harvested 87% of the 2017 sunflower acreage]

State	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Colorado	95	72	82	95
Kansas	89	71	82	91
North Dakota	92	74	80	90
South Dakota	93	63	73	92
4 States	92	69	77	91

Winter Wheat Planted – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 90% of the 2017 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	97	79	85	97
California	64	55	65	76
Colorado	100	100	100	100
Idaho	100	100	100	100
Illinois	100	95	100	99
Indiana	99	95	100	100
Kansas	100	95	96	100
Michigan	100	96	100	100
Missouri	95	82	89	95
Montana	100	100	100	100
Nebraska	100	100	100	100
North Carolina	87	53	60	80
Ohio	100	96	100	100
Oklahoma	100	92	95	100
Oregon	100	100	100	100
South Dakota	100	100	100	100
Texas	92	85	90	91
Washington	100	100	100	100
18 States	99	93	95	99

Winter Wheat Emerged – Selected States

[These 18 States planted 90% of the 2017 winter wheat acreage]

State	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Arkansas	89	59	70	86
California	34	30	35	55
Colorado	97	97	98	99
Idaho	98	93	99	97
Illinois	95	84	86	94
Indiana	90	84	89	94
Kansas	93	81	87	96
Michigan	97	81	87	95
Missouri	82	65	72	82
Montana	95	92	93	97
Nebraska	99	98	100	100
North Carolina	70	39	45	60
Ohio	96	84	89	96
Oklahoma	94	81	87	96
Oregon	84	74	77	84
South Dakota	100	94	98	100
Texas	83	72	80	81
Washington	97	87	90	94
18 States	91	81	86	92

Winter Wheat Condition - Selected States: Week Ending November 25, 2018

[These 18 States planted 90% of the 2017 winter wheat acreage]

State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Arkansas	-	6	43	47	4
California	-	-	20	80	-
Colorado	1	11	34	49	5
Idaho	-	-	41	40	19
Illinois	6	8	32	49	5
Indiana	2	6	29	53	10
Kansas	3	13	38	37	9
Michigan	4	15	33	40	8
Missouri	-	5	51	38	6
Montana	-	3	17	58	22
Nebraska	2	7	25	46	20
North Carolina	1	4	19	66	10
Ohio	3	7	28	51	11
Oklahoma	6	13	25	46	10
Oregon	5	13	26	49	7
South Dakota	1	6	36	55	2
Texas	5	11	36	41	7
Washington	-	3	32	54	11
18 States	3	10	32	45	10
Previous week	2	9	33	46	10
Previous year	3	9	38	43	7

- Represents zero.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork - Selected States

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

State	Week ending		
	November 25, 2017	November 18, 2018	November 25, 2018
	(Days)	(Days)	(Days)
Alabama	6.2	2.0	3.9
Arizona	7.0	7.0	7.0
Arkansas	6.8	2.9	4.0
California	6.7	7.0	3.4
Colorado	6.9	4.4	5.7
Connecticut	6.0	3.0	4.0
Delaware	5.5	1.0	5.0
Florida	6.4	6.2	6.6
Georgia	6.4	2.3	4.4
Idaho	4.1	5.8	3.9
Illinois	5.3	2.9	2.8
Indiana	4.8	2.8	2.9
Iowa	6.6	4.8	4.4
Kansas	6.8	4.3	5.4
Kentucky	5.8	2.5	3.3
Louisiana	6.8	2.1	3.0
Maine	5.0	0.5	0.5
Maryland	7.0	2.5	3.0
Massachusetts	6.0	4.1	5.0
Michigan	4.2	2.9	4.0
Minnesota	5.7	3.5	3.8
Mississippi	6.2	1.8	2.9
Missouri	6.6	3.2	3.9
Montana	5.0	2.8	3.2
Nebraska	7.0	5.7	5.1
Nevada	7.0	7.0	5.0
New Hampshire	6.0	2.5	1.0
New Jersey	6.5	4.5	5.0
New Mexico	6.8	6.3	6.1
New York	4.0	2.0	2.5
North Carolina	6.2	2.0	3.4
North Dakota	6.0	3.3	4.1
Ohio	3.8	2.2	2.1
Oklahoma	6.9	5.3	6.6
Oregon	3.6	6.6	5.6
Pennsylvania	5.5	1.5	2.5
Rhode Island	5.0	5.0	4.0
South Carolina	6.0	2.3	3.5
South Dakota	6.7	5.4	6.1
Tennessee	6.2	2.2	3.6
Texas	6.8	4.7	5.6
Utah	7.0	6.5	5.8
Vermont	4.5	1.0	1.0
Virginia	6.7	2.7	3.6
Washington	3.9	4.8	4.0
West Virginia	6.1	3.3	3.1
Wisconsin	5.8	5.0	5.1
Wyoming	6.1	5.5	5.1

Topsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending November 25, 2018

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

State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Alabama	-	-	61	39
Arizona	-	13	87	-
Arkansas	-	3	55	42
California	70	10	20	-
Colorado	2	18	78	2
Connecticut	-	-	-	100
Delaware	-	-	26	74
Florida	3	28	65	4
Georgia	-	5	68	27
Idaho	2	30	66	2
Illinois	-	2	72	26
Indiana	-	1	60	39
Iowa	-	1	81	18
Kansas	-	2	83	15
Kentucky	-	-	65	35
Louisiana	-	-	41	59
Maine	-	-	12	88
Maryland	-	-	15	85
Massachusetts	-	-	50	50
Michigan	-	-	52	48
Minnesota	-	1	74	25
Mississippi	-	1	51	48
Missouri	-	4	72	24
Montana	2	13	81	4
Nebraska	1	4	88	7
Nevada	15	65	15	5
New Hampshire	-	-	62	38
New Jersey	-	-	60	40
New Mexico	8	30	60	2
New York	-	-	21	79
North Carolina	-	1	49	50
North Dakota	4	20	68	8
Ohio	-	1	34	65
Oklahoma	4	14	79	3
Oregon	32	32	35	1
Pennsylvania	-	-	29	71
Rhode Island	-	-	70	30
South Carolina	-	-	82	18
South Dakota	2	11	81	6
Tennessee	-	1	57	42
Texas	-	7	76	17
Utah	4	34	62	-
Vermont	-	-	57	43
Virginia	-	-	62	38
Washington	13	27	59	1
West Virginia	-	-	51	49
Wisconsin	-	1	79	20
Wyoming	4	31	65	-
48 States	3	7	69	21
Previous week	3	7	68	22
Previous year	8	23	63	6

- Represents zero.

Subsoil Moisture Condition - Selected States: Week Ending November 25, 2018

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

State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Alabama	-	-	71	29
Arizona	-	13	87	-
Arkansas	1	7	54	38
California	70	5	25	-
Colorado	5	25	68	2
Connecticut	-	-	-	100
Delaware	-	-	42	58
Florida	6	14	74	6
Georgia	1	9	75	15
Idaho	4	41	53	2
Illinois	-	8	78	14
Indiana	-	2	70	28
Iowa	-	2	79	19
Kansas	-	5	86	9
Kentucky	-	1	68	31
Louisiana	-	-	59	41
Maine	-	-	50	50
Maryland	-	-	26	74
Massachusetts	-	6	66	28
Michigan	-	2	60	38
Minnesota	1	4	71	24
Mississippi	-	8	54	38
Missouri	2	10	82	6
Montana	8	22	70	-
Nebraska	1	9	85	5
Nevada	15	70	15	-
New Hampshire	-	-	65	35
New Jersey	-	-	55	45
New Mexico	10	30	58	2
New York	-	-	35	65
North Carolina	-	1	50	49
North Dakota	11	24	59	6
Ohio	-	1	44	55
Oklahoma	6	15	76	3
Oregon	53	31	16	-
Pennsylvania	-	-	43	57
Rhode Island	-	-	100	-
South Carolina	-	-	83	17
South Dakota	7	24	65	4
Tennessee	-	1	60	39
Texas	-	9	72	19
Utah	7	49	44	-
Vermont	-	-	100	-
Virginia	-	-	73	27
Washington	8	40	52	-
West Virginia	-	-	60	40
Wisconsin	-	1	78	21
Wyoming	5	41	54	-
48 States	5	11	67	17
Previous week	5	10	67	18
Previous year	9	24	62	5

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress and Condition Tables Expected Next Week

Today's publication is the last weekly Crop Progress report issued for the 2018 season. The first weekly report for 2019 will be released on Monday, April 1, 2019.

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 2017 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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