



USDA Crop Progress Report

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U.S. Crop Progress

U.S. Corn crop harvest progress remains slow with 5% of the crop still not harvested. An estimated 700 million bushels are left in the fields which is equal to 41% of the estimated U.S. carry out for the 2009/10 crop year ending September.

Harvest Progress					Approximate Acres of Un-Harvested Crop			
Corn Crop					U.S.	This Week	Total Acres	Approx Acres Unharvested
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average				
U.S.	95%	92%	100%	100.0%	U.S.	95%	86,400,000	4,320,000
Minnesota	93%	91%	100%	100.0%	Minnesota	93%	7,600,000	532,000
Nebraska	93%	91%	100%	100.0%	Nebraska	93%	8,800,000	616,000
Iowa	98%	96%	100%	100.0%	Iowa	98%	13,200,000	264,000
Ohio	99%	98%	100%	100.0%	Ohio	99%	3,300,000	33,000
Indiana	98%	96%	100%	100.0%	Indiana	98%	5,700,000	114,000
Illinois	95%	90%	100%	100.0%	Illinois	95%	12,200,000	610,000
Missouri	98%	95%	100%	100.0%	Missouri	98%	3,050,000	61,000
Kansas	98%	96%	100%	100.0%	Kansas	98%	3,800,000	76,000
S Dakota	88%	82%	98%	99.0%	S Dakota	88%	4,900,000	588,000
Wisconsin	88%	85%	99%	99.0%	Wisconsin	88%	3,750,000	450,000
N Dakota	68%	60%	NA	NA	10 State tot	68%	66,300,000	3,344,000
					Yield		163	545,072,000
					US Total Unharvested Bushels			704,160,000

This is the final 2009 *Crop Progress* report to be issued by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). Weekly publication of the *Crop Progress* report will resume for the week ending April 4, 2010.

USDA Crop Progress and Condition Survey and Estimating Procedures

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 more than 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 progress of farmers' activities and progress of crops through various stages of development. 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, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Regardless of when questionnaires are completed, reporters are asked to report for the week ending on Sunday.

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