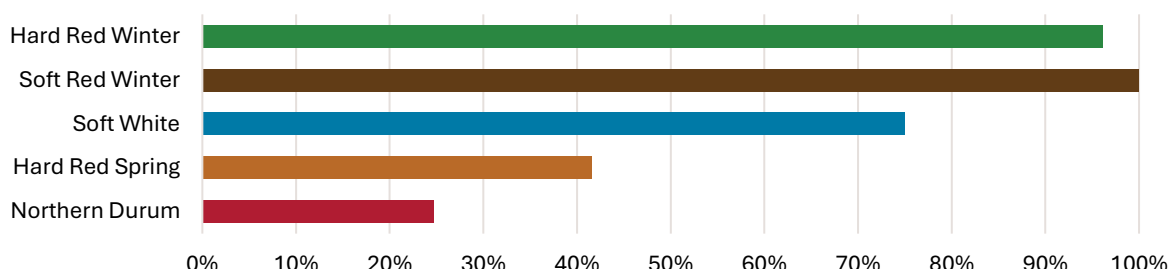




## WEEKLY HARVEST REPORT – August 19, 2026

The HRW harvest is all but wrapped up as attention turns to fall planting, where drought remains a concern across much of the region. SW harvest continues to advance, with yield and test weight reports generally positive and protein and falling number still the main areas to monitor. HRS harvest is more than 40% complete, with early samples grading U.S. No. 1 DNS. Brief showers caused isolated delays in the northern durum harvest, while early samples are beginning to arrive at the lab.

Estimated Percent of Sample Crop Harvested to Date  
(data: NASS Weekly Crop Progress Reports and industry sources)



### HARD RED WINTER

**Crop progress:** The 2026 U.S. HRW harvest is nearly complete, with only higher-elevation and irrigated fields remaining.

**Crop conditions:** Final reports from the northern and PNW HRW areas remain generally positive. In Montana, test weight is averaging above 62.0 lb/bu (81.5 kg/hl), with better-than-expected yields. The crop is expected to be average overall, with slightly above-average quality. June rains helped stabilize the crop, though they limited top-end yield potential. In the PNW, HRW yields and quality are slightly above average.

Looking ahead to fall planting, drought conditions remain a major concern across much of the HRW region. According to USDA, 52% of winter wheat production acreage is currently in drought. Recent rainfall brought some relief to Oklahoma, Kansas, South Dakota, Nebraska and eastern Colorado, but most of the region would benefit from more widespread precipitation before seeding begins.

**Wheat data:** As harvest slows, only a few more samples were tested this week. Cumulative unweighted data remain almost unchanged. The crop currently grades U.S. No. 1 HRW.

**Flour data:** There are now 58 composites formed. Overall, the data continue to show a higher-protein crop compared to the past two years. Laboratory milling extraction averages 75.8%. Farinograph stability averages 13.7 minutes, with absorption at 58.9%. Baking results show average bake absorption of 63.3% and average loaf volume of 857 cc, slightly above the industry target of 850 cc.

| HRW: WHEAT DATA |         |          |               |              |                        |              |           |           | GRADE FACTORS |             |       |         |             |          |              |
|-----------------|---------|----------|---------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-------------|-------|---------|-------------|----------|--------------|
|                 | Samples |          | Moisture<br>% | Protein<br>% | Dry Basis<br>Protein % | Dockage<br>% | TKW<br>gm | FN<br>sec | Grade         | Test Weight |       | FM<br>% | Damage<br>% | S&B<br>% | Defects<br>% |
|                 | Tested  | Expected |               |              |                        |              |           |           |               | lb/bu       | kg/hl |         |             |          |              |
| This Week       | 524     | 550      | 11.2          | 12.5         | 14.2                   | 0.4          | 28.8      | 356       | 1 HRW         | 60.3        | 79.3  | 0.1     | 0.4         | 1.0      | 1.5          |
| Last Week       | 516     | 550      | 11.2          | 12.5         | 14.2                   | 0.4          | 28.7      | 356       | 1 HRW         | 60.2        | 79.2  | 0.1     | 0.4         | 1.0      | 1.5          |
| 2025 Final      | 566     | 500      | 11.5          | 12.1         | 13.7                   | 0.5          | 30.1      | 370       | 1 HRW         | 60.0        | 79.0  | 0.1     | 0.1         | 0.8      | 0.9          |
| 5-year Avg      | 538     | 500      | 10.9          | 12.3         | 13.9                   | 0.5          | 30.7      | 362       | 1 HRW         | 61.0        | 80.2  | 0.1     | 0.3         | 1.0      | 1.4          |

Note: Crop progress data are drawn from USDA's weekly Crop Progress report and reflect the major producing states reported for each class. HRW averages in this weekly harvest report are simple averages and are not weighted for production. Results shown represent tested samples collected to date. Data and commentary are limited to the sampled states listed: CO, ID, KS, MT, NE, OK, OR, SD, TX, WA, WY. Table data source: Great Plains Analytical Laboratory.

## SOFT RED WINTER

The last weekly SRW report was published on August 4.

| SRW: WHEAT DATA |         |          |            |           |                     |           |        |        | GRADE FACTORS |             |       |      |          |       |           |
|-----------------|---------|----------|------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|-------------|-------|------|----------|-------|-----------|
|                 | Samples |          | Moisture % | Protein % | Dry Basis Protein % | Dockage % | TKW gm | FN sec | Grade         | Test Weight |       | FM % | Damage % | S&B % | Defects % |
|                 | Tested  | Expected |            |           |                     |           |        |        |               | lb/bu       | kg/hl |      |          |       |           |
| 2026 Final      | 196     | 250      | 13.2       | 10.0      | 11.3                | 0.4       | 34.4   | 305    | 2 SRW         | 59.9        | 78.8  | 0.2  | 0.6      | 0.7   | 1.5       |
| 2025 Final      | 219     | 250      | 12.8       | 9.3       | 10.5                | 0.5       | 32.9   | 301    | 2 SRW         | 59.0        | 77.7  | 0.2  | 1.2      | 0.9   | 2.3       |
| 5-year Avg      | 235     | 250      | 13.1       | 9.5       | 10.8                | 0.3       | 34.0   | 316    | 2 SRW         | 59.8        | 78.7  | 0.1  | 0.3      | 0.6   | 1.0       |

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## SOFT WHITE

**Crop progress:** Harvest of the 2026 SW crop continued at a quick pace this week under continued favorable harvest conditions. The winter SW crop is currently 83% harvested, and the spring SW crop is 45% harvested.

**Crop conditions:** Reports for the SW crop remain generally positive, with good yield and test weight across the region. Conditions are largely unchanged from last week, with protein and falling number remaining the main areas to monitor in this year's crop. Lower protein continues to be noted in parts of Oregon and in high-yielding areas of northern Idaho and Washington, while southern Idaho and Washington's northern tier are reporting higher protein. Reduced falling numbers have also been reported in some areas, including Washington and parts of Oregon.

**Wheat data:** This week, an additional 46 samples arrived for testing. The latest results show a moisture level of 9.3%, protein content of 8.9% (12% mb), test weight of 60.9 lb/bu (80.1 kg/hl), falling number of 279 seconds, and a grade of U.S. No. 1 SW. Protein currently ranges from 6.4% to 14.8% (12% mb), with approximately 59% of samples below 9.0%, 28% between 9.0% and 10.0%, and 13% above 10.0%. Reports indicate lower falling numbers are associated with spring freeze events rather than late-season weather conditions.

**Flour data:** Weekly flour composites continue to show typically low Farinograph water absorption, development time, and stability. As reported last week, performance in early SRC testing shows strong lactic acid and GPI values for the protein content.

| SW: WHEAT DATA |         |          |            |           |                     |           |        |        | GRADE FACTORS |             |       |      |          |       |           |
|----------------|---------|----------|------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|-------------|-------|------|----------|-------|-----------|
|                | Samples |          | Moisture % | Protein % | Dry Basis Protein % | Dockage % | TKW gm | FN sec | Grade         | Test Weight |       | FM % | Damage % | S&B % | Defects % |
|                | Tested  | Expected |            |           |                     |           |        |        |               | lb/bu       | kg/hl |      |          |       |           |
| This Week      | 208     | 390      | 9.3        | 8.9       | 10.1                | 0.5       | 35.8   | 279    | 1 SW          | 60.9        | 80.1  | 0.0  | 0.0      | 0.5   | 0.5       |
| Last Week      | 162     | 390      | 9.3        | 9.0       | 10.2                | 0.5       | 36.0   | 292    | 1 SW          | 60.8        | 80.0  | 0.0  | 0.0      | 0.5   | 0.5       |
| 2025 Final     | 411     | 390      | 9.3        | 10.0      | 11.4                | 0.5       | 33.7   | 317    | 1 SW          | 61.0        | 80.2  | 0.0  | 0.0      | 0.6   | 0.6       |
| 5-year Avg     | 401     | 390      | 9.0        | 10.2      | 11.6                | 0.5       | 33.0   | 332    | 1 SW          | 60.5        | 79.6  | 0.1  | 0.0      | 0.7   | 0.8       |

Note: Crop progress data are drawn from USDA's weekly Crop Progress report and reflect the major producing states reported for each class. SW averages in this weekly harvest report are simple averages and are not weighted for production. Results shown represent tested samples collected to date. Data and commentary are limited to the sampled states listed: ID, OR, WA. Table data source: Wheat Marketing Center.

## HARD RED SPRING

**Crop progress:** More than 40% of the U.S. HRS crop is now harvested. Harvest continues to advance quickly under mostly warm, dry conditions, although rainfall in parts of western North Dakota caused isolated delays.

**Crop conditions:** Harvest reports are generally favorable, with average to above-average yields in many areas and protein trending higher. In South Dakota, yields have been variable but better than expected overall, with protein reported at 15% to 16% (12% mb). North Dakota is reporting average to above-average yields, though isolated areas have seen very low yields and lighter test weights. In Montana, protein has been variable but is averaging above 14% (12% mb), with isolated test weight issues reported in hotter, drier areas. Earlier planted fields are generally performing better, and state representatives expect the spring wheat crop to have strong milling quality.

**Wheat data:** The first 29 samples are in the lab for testing. These early data show an average protein of 15.1% (12% mb), test weight of 60.9 lb/bu (80.1 kg/hl), and a falling number of 444 seconds. Vitreous kernel content averages 83%, making the current average grade a U.S. No. 1 Dark Northern Spring (1 DNS).

**Disease/pest pressure:** No major disease pressure has been reported, largely due to the mostly dry growing season.

| HRS: WHEAT DATA |         |          |            |           |                     |           |        | GRADE FACTORS |       |             |       |      |          |       |           |       |
|-----------------|---------|----------|------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|--------|---------------|-------|-------------|-------|------|----------|-------|-----------|-------|
|                 | Samples |          | Moisture % | Protein % | Dry Basis Protein % | Dockage % | TKW gm | FN sec        | Grade | Test Weight |       | FM % | Damage % | S&B % | Defects % | DHV % |
|                 | Tested  | Expected |            |           |                     |           |        |               |       | lb/bu       | kg/hl |      |          |       |           |       |
| This Week       | 29      | 442      | 11.9       | 15.1      | 17.2                | 0.5       | 31.0   | 444           | 1 DNS | 60.9        | 80.1  | 0.0  | 0.0      | 0.7   | 0.7       | 83    |
| 2025 Final      | 448     | 450      | 12.2       | 14.4      | 16.3                | 0.6       | 33.9   | 404           | 1 NS  | 61.6        | 81.0  | 0.0  | 0.3      | 0.5   | 0.9       | 62    |
| 5-year Avg      | 452     | 450      | 11.9       | 14.5      | 16.4                | 0.6       | 31.5   | 386           | 1 NS  | 61.5        | 80.9  | 0.0  | 0.3      | 0.9   | 1.2       | 69    |

Note: Crop progress data are drawn from USDA's weekly Crop Progress report. USDA NASS data are weighted based on planted acres for each producing state. HRS sample laboratory data are simple averages and are not weighted for production. Results shown represent tested samples collected to date. Data and commentary are limited to the sampled states listed: MN, MT, ND, SD, ID, WA. Table data source: North Dakota State University, Hard Red Spring Wheat Quality Laboratory.

## NORTHERN DURUM

**Crop progress:** The northern durum crop is now 25% harvested. The Montana crop is 27% harvested, behind last year and the 5-year average, while the North Dakota crop is 23% harvested, well ahead of last year and the 5-year average.

**Crop conditions:** Crop ratings are holding steady at 30% good to excellent. Portions of the northern durum growing region received rainfall last week, and growers will watch for potential impacts on color and sprout, especially in earlier planted fields where the crop is more mature. Thus far, yields are variable but generally better than expected, with good protein reported.

**Disease/pest pressure:** No major disease or pest issues have been reported.

| NORTHERN DURUM: WHEAT DATA |         |          |            |           |                     |           |        | GRADE FACTORS |       |             |       |      |          |       |           |        |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|--------|---------------|-------|-------------|-------|------|----------|-------|-----------|--------|
|                            | Samples |          | Moisture % | Protein % | Dry Basis Protein % | Dockage % | TKW gm | FN sec        | Grade | Test Weight |       | FM % | Damage % | S&B % | Defects % | HVAC % |
|                            | Tested  | Expected |            |           |                     |           |        |               |       | lb/bu       | kg/hl |      |          |       |           |        |
| 2025 Final                 | 136     | 130      | 11.6       | 14.2      | 16.2                | 0.6       | 43.6   | 325           | 1 HAD | 61.9        | 80.6  | 0.0  | 1.8      | 0.5   | 2.3       | 84     |
| 5-year Avg                 | 127     | 123      | 11.2       | 14.2      | 16.2                | 0.9       | 40.9   | 427           | 1 HAD | 61.3        | 79.8  | 0.0  | 0.4      | 0.8   | 1.2       | 86     |

Note: Crop progress data are drawn from USDA's weekly Crop Progress report and reflect the major producing states reported for each class. Northern durum averages in this weekly harvest report are simple averages and are not weighted for production. Results shown represent tested samples collected to date. Data and commentary are limited to the sampled states listed: ND, MT. Table data source: North Dakota State University, Durum Wheat Quality Laboratory.

