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**Table 1: Plant parts and number of plants to be sampled for field crops at different growth stages**

<b>Crop</b>	<b>Growth stage</b>	<b>Plant part to sample</b>	<b>No. of plants to sample</b>
Alfalfa	Prior to bloom stage	Mature leaf blades taken about one-third of the way down the plant	10-15
Barley	Prior to heading	The four uppermost leaves	8-12
Clover	Prior to bloom	Mature leaf blades taken about one-third of the way down the plant	10-15
Corn	Seedling stage	All the above-ground portion	5-10
	Prior to tasseling	The entire leaf fully developed below the whorl	4-6
Cotton	Prior to or at bloom	Youngest fully mature leaves on main stem	5-10
Peanuts	Prior to or at bloom	Mature leaves from main stems	10-15
Rice	Prior to or at bloom	The four uppermost leaves	8-12
Sorghum	Prior to heading	Second leaf from top of plant	5-10
Soybean or other beans	Seedling stage	All the above-ground portion	8-12
	Prior to or initial flowering	Two or three fully developed leaves at the top of the plant	4-6
Sugarbeets	Midseason	Leaves midway between younger center leaves and the oldest whorl	10-15
Sugarcane	Up to 4 months	Third or fourth fully developed leaf from top	5-8
Wheat	Seedling stage	All the above-ground portion	10-15