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# Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition

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This report contains the results from the **Crop Progress and Condition** weekly survey. The survey is completed by parish extension agents' visual observations and contact with producers in their parish. These data are also posted on our web site at *https://www.nass.usda.gov/la* and in a more detailed report at *https://www.nass.usda.gov*. Thanks to all of the parish extension agents who responded to this survey.

**Week Ending: April 16, 2023** **Released: April 17, 2023**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 16, 2023**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 26 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 18 percent surplus.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending April 16, 2023**

| Crop | This week | Last week | Last year | 5-year average |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn emerged | 98 | 93 | 80 | 83 |
| Cotton planted | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Hay first cutting | 2 | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Rice planted | 83 | 74 | 72 | 78 |
| Rice emerged | 73 | 63 | 56 | 64 |
| Soybeans planted | 30 | 19 | 22 | 16 |
| Soybeans emerged | 16 | 10 | 7 | 7 |
| Winter wheat headed | 80 | 63 | 58 | 81 |
| Winter wheat coloring | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 |

**Crop Condition for Week Ending April 16, 2023**

| Item | Very poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn | 0 | 10 | 42 | 45 | 3 |
| Hay, all | 0 | 4 | 32 | 62 | 2 |
| Livestock | 0 | 5 | 31 | 60 | 4 |
| Pasture | 1 | 9 | 32 | 56 | 2 |
| Rice | 1 | 1 | 35 | 62 | 1 |
| Sugarcane | 0 | 1 | 35 | 60 | 4 |
| Vegetables | 0 | 2 | 48 | 47 | 3 |
| Winter wheat | 0 | 5 | 26 | 65 | 4 |

The USDA NASS National Crop Progress release is a more detailed report including crop progress and condition at the National level. You can locate that release at: https://release.nass.usda.gov/reports/prog1523.pdf


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**Louisiana Subsoil Moisture Map for the week of April 3 – April 9, 2023**

The Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP) provides measurements of soil moisture in the root zone as a weekly average, represented by pixels. Each pixel represents 9 by 9 kilometer plot or about 20,000 acres. The SMAP data measures soil moisture in cubic centimeters of water/cubic centimeters of soil. The scale represents the percent of water in a given volume of soil. More information and additional mapping is available at https://nassgeo.csiss.gmu.edu/CropCASMA/.