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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 23, 2023 **Released: April 24, 2023**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 23, 2023**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 29 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 26 percent surplus.

Crop Progress for Week Ending April 23, 2023

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn emerged	100	98	87	91
Cotton planted	5	3	12	6
Cotton emerged	1	0	2	1
Hay first cutting	8	2	9	11
Rice planted	86	83	79	82
Rice emerged	81	73	68	72
Soybeans planted	41	30	37	25
Soybeans emerged	23	16	18	13
Winter wheat headed	88	80	76	90
Winter wheat coloring	7	1	9	20

Crop Condition for Week Ending April 23, 2023

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	0	10	33	54	3
Hay, all	4	8	33	53	2
Livestock	1	6	36	54	3
Pasture	1	12	37	47	3
Rice	2	8	33	56	1
Sugarcane	0	1	34	61	4
Vegetables	0	1	40	56	3
Winter wheat	0	5	33	61	1

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/prog1623.pdf

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Louisiana Subsoil Moisture Map for the week of April 10 – April 16, 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/.