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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: September 24, 2023

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, September 24, 2023**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 44 percent very short, 36 percent short, 20 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 46 percent very short, 39 percent short, 15 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus.

Crop Progress for Week Ending September 24, 2023

Crop	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton bolls opening	97	93	94	94
Cotton harvested	36	15	22	22
Hay second cutting	95	93	96	99
Rice mature	100	99	100	100
Rice harvested	95	93	90	93
Soybeans coloring	98	96	97	95
Soybeans dropping leaves	95	88	89	85
Soybeans mature	87	80	79	77
Soybeans harvested	79	66	65	62
Sugarcane planted	92	85	86	88
Sweet potatoes harvested	34	19	21	30

Crop Condition for Week Ending September 24, 2023

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cotton	5	20	24	50	1
Hay, all	27	28	31	14	0
Livestock	9	24	45	20	2
Pasture	43	25	25	7	0
Sugarcane	13	23	40	24	0
Sweet potatoes	2	11	13	74	0
Vegetables	9	17	16	57	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/prog3823.pdf>

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Louisiana Subsoil Moisture Map for the week of September 11 – September 17, 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/>.

