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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: October 8, 2023

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, October 8, 2023**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 47 percent very short, 32 percent short, 21 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 48 percent very short, 38 percent short, 14 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus.

Crop Progress for Week Ending October 8, 2023

Crop	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cotton harvested	84	62	71	52
Hay second cutting	100	97	100	100
Rice harvested	99	98	97	98
Soybeans dropping leaves	100	97	99	95
Soybeans mature	96	94	95	90
Soybeans harvested	93	86	86	81
Sugarcane planted	99	97	97	96
Sugarcane harvested	5	1	12	11
Sweet potatoes harvested	75	47	43	50

Crop Condition for Week Ending October 8, 2023

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Hay, all	26	35	27	12	0
Livestock	16	20	44	20	0
Pasture	32	35	26	7	0
Sugarcane	11	24	43	22	0
Sweet potatoes	2	7	15	76	0
Vegetables	8	11	21	59	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/prog4023.pdf>

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Louisiana Subsoil Moisture Map for the week of September 25 – October 1, 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/>.

