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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: March 24, 2024 **Released: March 25, 2024**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 2.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, March 24, 2024**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 28 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 80 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus.

Crop Progress for Week Ending March 24, 2024

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn planted	52	28	93	59
Corn emerged	27	9	74	24
Rice planted	39	21	47	34
Rice emerged	19	3	24	11
Soybeans planted	1	0	4	1
Winter wheat headed	25	8	23	21

Crop Condition for Week Ending March 24, 2024

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Hay, all	0	3	42	54	1
Livestock	1	8	27	60	4
Pasture	1	11	31	50	7
Sugarcane	0	6	28	64	2
Vegetables	0	1	64	27	8
Winter wheat	0	0	32	63	5

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Louisiana Subsoil Moisture Map for the week of March 11 – March 17, 2024

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/.