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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: August 18, 2024**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 18, 2024**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 14 percent very short, 51 percent short, 32 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 13 percent very short, 37 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

### Crop Progress for Week Ending August 18, 2024

Crop	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Corn mature	96	90	97	93
Corn harvested	58	38	63	49
Cotton squaring	100	98	100	100
Cotton setting bolls	84	82	95	97
Cotton bolls opening	21	15	32	33
Hay second cutting	87	80	83	81
Rice headed	96	92	97	97
Rice mature	84	72	89	78
Rice harvested	71	53	68	59
Soybeans setting pods	94	93	98	98
Soybeans coloring	43	35	54	45
Soybeans dropping leaves	30	22	29	25
Soybeans mature	20	9	18	15
Soybeans harvested	8	1	10	6
Sugarcane planted	40	25	28	21

### Crop Condition for Week Ending August 18, 2024

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Corn	0	0	13	87	0
Cotton	0	0	25	75	0
Hay, all	0	3	38	54	5
Livestock	0	4	28	65	3
Pasture	0	4	37	57	2
Soybeans	0	3	13	78	6
Sugarcane	0	2	15	72	11
Sweet potatoes	0	0	0	100	0
Vegetables	0	4	21	73	2

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/prog3324.pdf>

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## Louisiana Subsoil Moisture Map for the week of August 5 – August 11, 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/>.

