



## Mississippi 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 county extension agents' visual observations and contact with producers in their county. These data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/ms> and in a more detailed report at <https://www.nass.usda.gov>. Thanks to all of the county extension agents who responded to this survey.

**Week Ending: March 31, 2024**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, March 31, 2024**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 10 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 8 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus.

### Crop Progress for Week Ending March 31, 2024

Crop	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Corn planted	16	7	24	22
Corn emerged	6	2	7	6
Hay first cutting	1	0	1	1
Rice planted	1	0	1	2
Soybeans planted	1	0	1	1
Watermelons planted	35	27	35	28
Winter wheat headed	14	8	10	9

### Crop Condition for Week Ending March 31, 2024

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Blueberries	1	2	32	61	4
Hay, all	7	8	47	33	5
Livestock	1	4	33	55	7
Pasture	3	8	45	37	7
Vegetables	0	2	59	36	3
Winter wheat	0	7	39	49	5

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/prog1224.pdf>

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## Mississippi Subsoil Moisture Map for the week of March 18 – March 24, 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/>.

