



NEWS RELEASE



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
Delta Regional Office (serving Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi)
10800 Financial Centre Parkway, Suite 110, Little Rock, AR 72211

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
September 29, 2023

Contact: Kathy Broussard
(225) 922-1362

USDA to Survey Row Crops Parish Acreage and Production

Baton Rouge, Louisiana – Starting in October, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will survey a sample of producers in 37 states, including Louisiana, as part of its 2023 Row Crops County Agricultural Production Survey. The survey will collect information on total acres planted and harvested and total yield and production of row crops to support estimates down to the parish level. Producers can complete their survey securely online at agcounts.usda.gov.

“The data provided by producers will help federal and state programs support the farmer,” said NASS State Statistician Kathy Broussard. “We hope every producer who receives this survey will take the time to respond. Producers benefit when there are data available to help determine accurate loan rates, disaster payments, crop insurance price elections, and more. Without data, agencies such as USDA’s Risk Management Agency or Farm Service Agency may not have enough information on which to base their programs.”

If producers do not submit their completed questionnaires by November 1, 2023, a National Association of State Departments of Agriculture (NASDA) representative will contact selected Louisiana farmers to arrange interviews.

The information producers provide will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, responses will be kept confidential and will not be published in identifiable form.

The data will be published on February 2, 2024, in the NASS Quick Stats database at quickstats.nass.usda.gov. For more information on this survey, visit nass.usda.gov/go/county-production or contact the NASS Delta Regional Field Office at (800) 327-2970.

###

NASS is the federal statistical agency responsible for producing official data about U.S. agriculture and is committed to providing timely, accurate and useful statistics in service to U.S. agriculture.

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.