



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 4.7

**Soil moisture supplies:** 11% short, 75% adequate and 14% surplus

### Field Crops Report

Rainfall came last week, slowing down activities, but it was very beneficial to all crops. Rice producers were applying herbicides and fertilizer on their fields. Winter wheat was progressing, with percent headed and turning color slightly above the five year average. The rainfall gave a needed boost to sugarcane and grain sorghum. Corn was 100% emerged, with 63% in good or excellent condition.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Cool nights and warm days helped vegetable growing conditions. Vegetable producers were working and fertilizing their crops. Crawfish ponds were starting to shut down due to low prices.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pasture conditions showed improvement due to the recent rain and warmer weather. Hay producers were cutting hay. Cattle producers continued working cattle and marketing calves.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Corn	Emerged	100	96	100	98
Cotton	Planted	22	3	52	44
	Emerged	14	0	35	18
Hay	First Cutting	13	11	32	15
Rice	Planted	81	70	88	83
	Emerged	68	57	74	69
Sorghum	Planted	86	75	79	56
	Emerged	71	60	57	38
Soybeans	Planted	32	14	44	32
	Emerged	19	5	32	18
Wheat	Headed	99	97	100	96
	Turning Color	29	7	71	27
Land Preparation	Spring plowing	91	88	93	93

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	1	36	58	5
Rice	0	9	49	41	1
Sugarcane	0	8	41	41	10
Wheat	0	2	36	58	4
Livestock	0	4	37	54	5
Vegetables	0	12	32	51	5
Pasture	1	5	40	50	4

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 04/23/07 TO 04/29/07

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
<b>1. Northwest</b>								
LSU-Bossier City	84	56	70	67	1.28	2.36	13.48	18.12
Minden	81	47	65	66	2.10	4.34	16.38	19.96
Mooringsport	84	49	67	MM	0.62	2.10	17.42	16.42
Extreme/Average	84	47	67	67	1.33	2.93	15.76	18.45
<b>2. North-Central</b>								
LSU-Calhoun	83	45	65	67	1.61	4.45	15.09	20.91
Homer/Hill Farm	84	50	68	65	2.56	5.55	18.50	20.13
ULM-Monroe	84	46	67	67	1.09	4.30	12.94	22.23
Winnfield	MM	MM	MM	66	M.MM	M.MM	6.37	21.43
Extreme/Average	84	45	67	67	1.75	4.77	15.51	21.04
<b>3. Northeast</b>								
Lake Providence	83	52	67	66	1.58	4.34	13.75	23.27
LSU-St Joseph	84	(39)	68	68	0.41	1.71	14.46	22.82
LSU-Winnboro	83	49	68	67	1.29	2.89	14.83	22.20
Tallulah	83	52	68	67	0.80	1.84	11.78	22.71
Extreme/Average	84	39	68	68	1.02	2.70	13.71	22.67
<b>4. West-Central</b>								
Leesville	82	50	68	68	1.97	4.01	14.96	19.91
LSU-Rosepine	88	51	68	68	2.06	3.88	18.09	19.63
Natchitoches	81	48	66	68	1.44	3.71	12.98	19.78
Extreme/Average	88	48	67	68	1.82	3.87	15.34	19.74
<b>5. Central</b>								
Alexandria	87	54	70	69	1.20	3.60	17.11	21.49
Brusly	85	54	70	68	4.28	6.35	18.36	22.42
Bunkie	86	56	72	69	0.40	2.95	15.34	22.50
LSU-Alexandria	(91)	57	72	68	1.35	3.34	14.73	20.48
Extreme/Average	91	54	71	69	1.81	4.06	16.14	21.55
<b>6. East-Central</b>								
Bogalusa	85	52	70	68	1.30	3.51	13.18	23.60
LSU-Baton Rouge	85	55	72	69	1.78	3.91	15.03	21.00
LSU-Clinton	83	52	70	68	1.35	3.96	14.13	23.15
LSU-Hammond	84	52	70	68	1.90	4.59	14.02	23.26
Slideell	85	54	71	69	1.28	4.11	14.65	21.98
Extreme/Average	85	52	71	69	1.52	4.02	14.22	23.05
<b>7. Southwest</b>								
De Ridder	82	47	68	69	1.74	4.53	18.82	20.18
Jennings	84	56	70	69	2.03	4.80	17.88	18.25
LSU-Crowley	84	58	72	70	1.13	4.16	16.88	19.00
Extreme/Average	84	47	70	70	1.63	4.50	17.86	18.48
<b>8. South-Central</b>								
Donaldsonville	86	54	71	70	0.69	3.00	13.25	20.67
LSU-Jeanerette	84	49	68	70	0.78	3.65	14.88	18.44
Morgan City	87	58	72	70	0.19	2.23	12.10	18.97
Extreme/Average	87	49	70	70	0.55	2.96	13.41	19.34
<b>9. Southeast</b>								
Galliano	84	58	73	70	2.00	3.02	11.94	20.24
Houma	88	57	73	71	0.66	2.78	13.16	19.28
NO Audubon Park	85	62	75	72	0.64	1.81	9.11	20.29
Reserve	84	56	71	69	0.42	1.90	14.94	22.43
Extreme/Average	88	56	73	71	0.93	2.38	12.29	20.78
<b>State</b>								
State Averages	91	39	70	69	1.43	3.69	15.13	20.61

M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through April 29, 2007

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