



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 4.6

Soil moisture supplies: 8% short, 67% adequate and 25% surplus

Field Crops Report

Most of the state received significant rainfall last week. Soybean planting continued, but was slowed due to the rain. Rice producers continued to plant rice, with much of the planting taking place in shut down crawfish ponds. Winter wheat was progressing, with 100% headed. Sugarcane producers have fertilized their fields and began clearing weeds from rows. Warmer days and nights have aided in growing conditions for all crops.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers were selling beets, carrots and cabbage, and were working other crops. Crawfish producers were draining their ponds.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pasture conditions continued to show improvement due to the rainfall and warm weather. Hay producers continued to cut hay, with percent of progress near the 5 year average. Cattle producers were busy working cattle and calves.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Planted	46	22	63	64
	Emerged	23	14	52	40
Hay	First Cutting	23	13	38	24
Rice	Planted	90	81	92	90
	Emerged	78	68	80	79
Sorghum	Planted	91	86	83	68
	Emerged	78	71	68	52
Soybeans	Planted	58	32	60	43
	Emerged	41	19	51	32
Wheat	Headed	100	99	100	99
	Turning Color	60	29	89	54
Land Preparation	Spring plowing	96	91	95	95

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	2	22	67	9
Rice	0	5	46	48	1
Sorghum	0	2	40	51	7
Sugarcane	0	7	32	41	20
Wheat	0	2	31	61	6
Livestock	0	4	21	69	6
Vegetables	0	10	28	57	5
Pasture	0	4	22	69	5

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 04/30/07 TO 05/06/07

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	88	59	73	69	1.34	3.92	15.04	19.17
Minden	86	57	73	68	0.85	5.19	17.23	21.20
Mooringsport	87	58	72	MM	1.73	3.80	19.15	17.20
Extreme/Average	88	57	73	69	1.31	4.30	17.14	19.57
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	86	56	72	69	1.12	5.44	16.21	22.08
Homer/Hill Farm	88	58	74	67	0.84	6.39	19.34	21.31
ULM-Monroe	88	57	73	69	0.69	4.51	13.63	23.51
Winnfield	MM	MM	MM	68	M.MM	M.MM	6.37	22.69
Extreme/Average	88	56	73	69	0.88	5.45	16.39	22.27
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	86	56	73	68	1.42	5.70	15.17	24.67
LSU-St Joseph	88	(50)	73	70	1.74	2.91	16.20	24.08
LSU-Winnsboro	87	59	74	69	2.02	4.69	17.04	23.45
Tallulah	86	61	73	69	1.44	3.19	13.22	24.04
Extreme/Average	88	50	73	70	1.73	4.43	16.14	24.00
4. West-Central								
Leesville	88	53	75	70	1.55	5.15	16.51	21.08
LSU-Rosepine	87	54	75	70	0.62	3.99	18.71	20.79
Natchitoches	MM	MM	MM	70	M.MM	3.70	12.98	21.01
Extreme/Average	88	53	75	69	1.09	4.57	17.61	20.93
5. Central								
Alexandria	(90)	62	76	71	1.61	4.06	18.72	22.68
Brusly	87	58	74	71	2.61	8.34	20.97	23.55
Bunkie	89	62	76	71	0.95	2.77	16.29	23.88
LSU-Alexandria	89	52	73	70	1.46	4.31	16.19	21.64
Extreme/Average	90	52	75	71	1.21	3.54	16.24	22.80
6. East-Central								
Bogalusa	87	58	73	70	1.78	4.88	14.96	24.86
LSU-Baton Rouge	88	60	75	71	3.26	6.63	18.29	22.19
LSU-Clinton	86	53	73	70	2.25	4.98	16.38	24.46
LSU-Hammond	88	57	73	70	2.30	6.31	16.32	24.37
Slidell	86	60	73	71	2.09	5.28	16.74	23.25
Extreme/Average	88	53	73	71	2.48	5.80	17.12	24.37
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	88	58	75	71	1.15	3.76	19.97	21.26
Jennings	85	62	75	71	0.86	4.77	18.74	19.38
LSU-Crowley	89	64	76	72	1.83	5.35	18.71	20.21
Extreme/Average	89	58	75	72	1.01	4.27	19.36	19.63
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	88	62	75	72	2.92	5.56	16.17	21.70
LSU-Jeanerette	87	52	71	71	2.00	5.32	16.88	19.49
Morgan City	87	63	75	72	0.39	2.20	12.49	20.08
Extreme/Average	88	52	74	72	1.77	4.36	15.18	20.44
9. Southeast								
Galliano	87	60	76	72	0.69	3.61	12.63	21.44
Houma	88	61	75	73	1.50	3.85	14.66	20.40
NO Audubon Park	88	66	77	74	5.52	7.16	14.63	21.41
Reserve	89	60	74	71	5.54	7.13	20.48	23.55
Extreme/Average	89	60	76	73	3.31	5.44	15.60	21.90
State								
State Averages	90	50	74	71	1.62	4.66	16.86	21.81

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through May 6, 2007

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