



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 5.7

Soil moisture supplies: 26% short, 62% adequate and 12% surplus

Field Crops Report

Some areas of the state received rainfall last week, but most locations remained dry. Cotton producers were busy planting cotton, with percent planted increasing from 46% to 76%. Rice producers continued to plant rice, and rice conditions were looking good. Winter wheat conditions were good, with the percent turning color increasing to 91%, well ahead of the 5 year average. Sugarcane farmers were spraying for weeds.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Warmer temperatures were helping vegetable conditions. Vegetable producers were selling tomatoes. Crawfish producers continued to drain their ponds.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pasture conditions were showing improvement due to the warmer weather and generally adequate moisture. Hay producers continued to cut hay, with percent of progress equal to the five year average.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Planted	76	46	76	78
	Emerged	52	23	64	62
Hay	First Cutting	33	23	47	33
Rice	Planted	92	90	94	94
	Emerged	85	78	89	88
Sorghum	Planted	94	91	86	78
	Emerged	86	78	76	65
Soybeans	Planted	70	58	66	51
	Emerged	55	41	59	40
Sweet Potatoes	Planted	5	0	3	8
Wheat	Turning Color	91	60	98	79
Land Preparation	Spring plowing	97	96	96	97

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	0	21	68	11
Rice	0	1	47	51	1
Sorghum	0	0	24	72	4
Sugarcane	0	6	36	41	17
Wheat	0	2	29	58	11
Livestock	0	3	27	66	4
Vegetables	0	9	27	60	4
Pasture	1	5	29	61	4

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 05/07/07 TO 05/13/07

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	89	62	77	71	0.08	2.96	15.13	20.24
Minden	88	61	75	70	0.25	3.24	17.48	22.39
Mooringsport	89	61	75	MM	0.14	2.50	19.29	17.97
Extreme/Average	89	61	76	71	0.16	2.90	17.30	20.69
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	89	60	75	71	0.38	3.44	16.59	23.30
Homer/Hill Farm	91	61	76	69	1.97	5.55	21.31	22.48
ULM-Monroe	89	59	75	71	0.14	2.31	13.77	24.84
Winnfield	MM	MM	MM	70	M.MM	M.MM	6.37	23.95
Extreme/Average	91	59	75	71	0.83	3.77	17.22	23.53
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	89	64	76	70	0.48	3.81	15.65	26.05
LSU-St Joseph	90	61	76	72	0.00	2.44	16.21	25.37
LSU-Winnsboro	90	62	76	71	0.59	4.18	17.63	24.64
Tallulah	88	62	76	71	0.00	2.55	13.22	25.40
Extreme/Average	90	61	76	72	0.27	3.48	16.50	25.29
4. West-Central								
Leesville	89	58	75	72	0.20	3.93	16.71	22.34
LSU-Rosepine	90	61	76	72	0.00	2.91	18.71	22.04
Natchitoches	87	60	75	72	1.29	4.12	15.58	22.33
Extreme/Average	90	58	75	71	0.50	3.42	17.71	22.19
5. Central								
Alexandria	92	65	78	73	0.00	2.96	18.72	23.87
Brusly	88	61	75	72	0.00	7.07	20.97	24.58
Bunkie	90	64	77	73	0.00	1.53	16.29	25.28
LSU-Alexandria	91	60	76	72	0.00	3.21	16.19	22.87
Extreme/Average	92	60	76	73	0.00	3.94	17.82	24.06
6. East-Central								
Bogalusa	91	56	74	72	0.00	3.20	14.96	26.12
LSU-Baton Rouge	90	61	76	73	0.00	5.16	18.29	23.32
LSU-Clinton	89	57	73	71	0.00	3.80	16.38	25.72
LSU-Hammond	90	(55)	74	72	0.00	4.26	15.94	25.40
Slidell	88	55	73	73	0.05	3.73	16.79	24.60
Extreme/Average	91	55	74	73	0.01	4.24	17.01	25.64
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	88	62	76	73	0.35	3.24	20.32	22.44
Jennings	88	63	76	73	0.15	3.38	18.89	20.61
LSU-Crowley	88	64	77	74	0.42	3.83	19.13	21.50
Extreme/Average	88	62	76	74	0.31	3.48	19.45	20.87
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	89	63	75	74	0.00	3.84	16.17	22.68
LSU-Jeanerette	91	65	77	73	0.00	2.88	16.88	20.58
Morgan City	90	59	75	73	1.46	2.17	13.95	21.27
Extreme/Average	91	59	76	74	0.49	2.96	15.67	21.56
9. Southeast								
Galliano	89	59	75	74	0.00	2.69	12.63	22.73
Houma	(93)	60	76	75	0.01	2.17	14.67	21.59
NO Audubon Park	91	65	77	75	0.00	6.49	14.63	22.52
Reserve	90	64	76	73	0.00	6.31	20.48	24.67
Extreme/Average	93	59	76	75	0.00	4.42	15.60	23.02
State								
State Averages	93	55	76	73	0.27	3.70	17.31	23.03

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through May 13, 2007

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