



LOUISIANA CROP WEATHER SUMMARY

For Crop Week Ending Sunday, June 11, 2006

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 6.7

Soil moisture supplies: 24% very short, 46% short, 30% adequate and 0% surplus

Field Crops Report

Drought conditions were still hurting Louisiana producers and all crops were showing signs of stress with 70 percent of soil moisture reports below average. State average rainfall for the past week came in at .3 inches, 8.6 inches below normal. Wheat harvest was completed during the week. Rice producers were applying fungicides and herbicides. Sorghum, soybeans and sugarcane conditions were all declining due to the shortage of moisture. Corn silked jumped up to 89 percent, well above the average, due to the dry and hot conditions.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Peach harvest continued to make progress. Vegetable producers were spraying to control the high pressure of insects while they continued to harvest and sell crops.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Drought conditions continued to cause declines in pasture and cattle conditions. Cattlemen were starting to supplement feed due to shortness of pastures. Harvesting of hay continued.

| PERCENT OF PROGRESS | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| CROP | STAGE | Current Week | Last Week | 2005 | 5 YR AVG |
| Corn | Silked | 89 | 62 | 58 | 69 |
| Cotton | Emerged | 99 | 95 | 100 | 99 |
| | Squaring | 27 | 13 | 36 | 37 |
| Hay | First Cutting | 80 | 77 | 69 | 74 |
| Peaches | Harvested | 17 | 10 | 20 | 20 |
| Rice | Emerged | 100 | 99 | 99 | 99 |
| Sorghum | Planted | 99 | 99 | 97 | 99 |
| | Emerged | 96 | 96 | 95 | 95 |
| Soybeans | Planted | 95 | 94 | 84 | 86 |
| | Emerged | 92 | 85 | 77 | 78 |
| | Blooming | 17 | 7 | 14 | 13 |
| Sweet Potatoes | Planted | 62 | 42 | 53 | 61 |
| Wheat | Harvested | 100 | 96 | 93 | 90 |
| Land Preparation | Spring plowing | 99 | 99 | 100 | 100 |

| CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| ITEM | VERY POOR | POOR | FAIR | GOOD | EXCELLENT |
| Corn | 0 | 5 | 28 | 59 | 8 |
| Cotton | 0 | 6 | 32 | 61 | 1 |
| Rice | 0 | 1 | 27 | 62 | 10 |
| Sorghum | 0 | 6 | 36 | 58 | 0 |
| Soybeans | 1 | 12 | 36 | 51 | 0 |
| Sugarcane | 5 | 19 | 43 | 27 | 6 |
| Livestock | 3 | 10 | 45 | 39 | 3 |
| Vegetables | 9 | 17 | 45 | 28 | 1 |
| Pasture | 11 | 22 | 47 | 19 | 1 |

**LOUISIANA OFFICE OF STATE CLIMATOLOGY, LSU, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 06/05/06 TO 06/11/06**

| | AIR TEMPERATURE | | | | PRECIPITATION | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----|-----|---------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| | MAX | MIN | AVG | NRM | WEEKLY TOTAL | FOUR WEEKS | YR. TO DATE | NORM |
| 1. Northwest | | | | | | | | |
| LSU-Bossier City | 94 | 66 | 80 | 78 | 0.71 | 0.90 | 19.27 | 24.96 |
| Minden | 93 | 62 | 77 | 77 | 1.40 | 1.80 | 25.31 | 27.31 |
| Mooringsport | 94 | 66 | 79 | MM | 1.68 | 1.75 | 22.02 | 22.08 |
| Extreme/Average | 94 | 62 | 79 | 78 | 1.26 | 1.48 | 22.20 | 25.50 |
| 2. North-Central | | | | | | | | |
| LSU-Calhoun | 93 | 61 | 76 | 78 | 0.12 | 0.62 | 25.19 | 28.25 |
| Homer/Hill Farm | 93 | 63 | 77 | 76 | 0.62 | 2.00 | 27.99 | 27.19 |
| ULM-Monroe | 96 | 60 | 78 | 78 | 0.03 | 1.95 | 27.10 | 30.01 |
| Winnfield | 94 | 60 | 77 | 77 | 0.78 | 1.31 | 22.67 | 29.31 |
| Extreme/Average | 96 | 60 | 77 | 78 | 0.39 | 1.47 | 25.74 | 28.59 |
| 3. Northeast | | | | | | | | |
| Lake Providence | 94 | 64 | 79 | 78 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 21.86 | 31.16 |
| LSU-St Joseph | 96 | 62 | 79 | 79 | 0.00 | 1.97 | 26.69 | 29.96 |
| LSU-Winnboro | 95 | 63 | 79 | 78 | 0.00 | 0.94 | 27.70 | 29.47 |
| Tallulah | 93 | (59) | 78 | 78 | 0.00 | 0.50 | 31.24 | 30.65 |
| Extreme/Average | 96 | 59 | 79 | 79 | 0.00 | 0.90 | 26.87 | 30.20 |
| 4. West-Central | | | | | | | | |
| Leesville | 95 | 59 | 77 | 78 | 0.49 | 2.87 | 21.89 | 27.43 |
| LSU-Rosepine | 93 | 61 | 78 | 78 | 1.28 | 3.16 | 24.86 | 27.19 |
| Natchitoches | 96 | 62 | 80 | 79 | 0.09 | 3.68 | 26.83 | 27.64 |
| Extreme/Average | 96 | 59 | 78 | 78 | 0.62 | 3.24 | 24.53 | 27.32 |
| 5. Central | | | | | | | | |
| Alexandria | 96 | 66 | 81 | 80 | 0.30 | 1.00 | 23.36 | 28.88 |
| Brusly | 94 | 61 | 78 | 79 | 0.00 | 2.03 | 15.83 | 28.97 |
| Bunkie | 96 | 64 | 80 | 79 | 0.00 | 1.43 | 21.37 | 30.87 |
| LSU-Alexandria | (97) | 65 | 81 | 79 | 0.04 | 1.75 | 19.23 | 27.71 |
| Extreme/Average | 97 | 61 | 80 | 79 | 0.09 | 1.55 | 19.95 | 29.12 |
| 6. East-Central | | | | | | | | |
| Bogalusa | 96 | 61 | 79 | 79 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 12.60 | 31.38 |
| LSU-Baton Rouge | 97 | 63 | 81 | 79 | 0.00 | 0.46 | 16.62 | 28.50 |
| LSU-Clinton | 95 | 60 | 79 | 78 | 0.00 | 1.66 | 14.99 | 30.66 |
| LSU-Hammond | 97 | 60 | 80 | 79 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 12.14 | 29.68 |
| Slideell | 95 | 64 | 80 | 79 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 10.43 | 29.47 |
| Extreme/Average | 97 | 60 | 80 | 79 | 0.03 | 0.46 | 12.95 | 30.71 |
| 7. Southwest | | | | | | | | |
| De Ridder | 93 | 62 | 79 | 79 | 0.35 | 2.76 | 30.27 | 27.82 |
| Jennings | 94 | 66 | 80 | 79 | 0.49 | 0.78 | 16.42 | 26.10 |
| LSU-Crowley | 94 | 66 | 81 | 80 | 0.58 | 1.00 | 16.43 | 26.90 |
| Extreme/Average | 94 | 62 | 80 | 80 | 0.47 | 1.51 | 21.04 | 26.38 |
| 8. South-Central | | | | | | | | |
| Donaldsonville | 94 | 65 | 80 | 79 | 0.00 | 0.81 | 11.81 | 27.12 |
| LSU-Jeanerette | 90 | 64 | 78 | 79 | 1.02 | 1.64 | 14.21 | 26.25 |
| Morgan City | 96 | 68 | 82 | 79 | 0.00 | 0.15 | 9.12 | 26.49 |
| Extreme/Average | 96 | 64 | 81 | 80 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 10.47 | 26.74 |
| 9. Southeast | | | | | | | | |
| Galliano | 93 | 70 | 81 | 79 | 0.15 | 0.88 | 11.93 | 28.17 |
| Houma | 96 | 70 | 83 | 80 | 0.00 | 0.87 | 12.28 | 26.80 |
| NO Audubon Park | 96 | 70 | 84 | 81 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 9.59 | 27.66 |
| Reserve | 95 | 66 | 82 | 79 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 13.17 | 30.11 |
| Extreme/Average | 96 | 66 | 82 | 80 | 0.04 | 0.45 | 11.74 | 28.09 |
| State | | | | | | | | |
| State Averages | 97 | 59 | 80 | 79 | 0.30 | 1.28 | 19.58 | 28.15 |

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through June 11, 2006

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