



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 1.9

Soil moisture supplies: 1% very short, 7% short, 47% adequate and 45% surplus

Field Crops Report

Nearly all areas of the state received rainfall last week. Corn and soybean fields in the northeast part of the state received much needed rainfall, although the rain came too late for some corn fields. Stinkbugs and sheath blight were present in rice fields. These were worsened by the wet weather. Some soybean producers were still planting late beans. Many soybean fields were stressed by the extremely wet conditions. Soybean producers were spraying fungicides to prevent Asian soybean rust. Sugarcane producers were trying to spray fallow land, but rainfall hampered field activities.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers were busy harvesting and selling produce. Vegetable conditions declined some due to excessive rainfall. Poor weather conditions slowed the peach harvest with peaches harvested reaching 58 percent, behind the 5-year average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pasture conditions continued to improve due to the abundant rainfall and warm temperatures. The first and second cutting of hay continued to progress ahead of the 5-year average, although the rainfall slowed some producers.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Corn	Dough	82	62	80	72
	Mature	11	3	13	9
Cotton	Squaring	94	82	98	93
	Setting Bolls	43	14	68	50
Hay	First Cutting	97	92	100	93
	Second Cutting	31	19	33	17
Peaches	Harvested	58	52	59	64
Rice	Headed	54	33	47	54
Sorghum	Headed	90	56	84	68
	Turning Color	17	6	29	13
Soybeans	Emerged	100	99	100	96
	Blooming	87	70	85	62
	Setting Pods	66	38	65	38
Sweet Potatoes	Planted	99	98	100	93
CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	4	8	19	57	12
Cotton	0	2	21	71	6
Rice	0	2	37	55	6
Sorghum	0	4	9	48	39
Soybeans	2	4	25	58	11
Sugarcane	0	2	39	32	27
Livestock	0	2	25	65	8
Vegetables	2	21	29	46	2
Pasture	4	7	20	61	8

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 07/2/07 TO 07/08/07

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	89	70	78	82	8.83	15.44	33.68	29.09
Minden	89	70	78	81	5.44	10.53	33.27	31.53
Mooringsport	89	70	77	MM	5.78	9.34	30.96	26.22
Extreme/Average	89	70	78	82	6.68	11.77	32.64	29.67
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	93	69	78	82	4.77	6.96	27.97	32.02
Homer/Hill Farm	91	(68)	77	80	8.29	10.97	34.51	31.44
ULM-Monroe	(95)	70	79	82	3.85	5.10	20.66	33.89
Winnfield	MM	MM	MM	81	M.MM	M.MM	6.37	33.82
Extreme/Average	95	68	78	82	5.64	8.97	31.24	32.62
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	93	71	78	82	4.65	6.20	22.75	35.01
LSU-St Joseph	95	MM	76	82	3.82	4.30	20.60	33.21
LSU-Winnsboro	MM	MM	MM	82	M.MM	2.84	24.30	33.29
Tallulah	95	68	79	82	3.61	5.07	18.99	34.55
Extreme/Average	95	68	78	82	4.03	5.07	MM.MM	33.94
4. West-Central								
Leesville	92	70	78	81	3.15	6.07	25.88	31.56
LSU-Rosepine	89	71	78	81	5.30	11.63	32.62	31.59
Natchitoches	93	71	79	83	3.43	7.23	22.28	31.21
Extreme/Average	93	70	78	82	3.96	8.31	26.93	31.29
5. Central								
Alexandria	92	72	80	83	2.05	6.09	27.43	33.03
Brusly	90	70	79	81	0.85	6.93	31.22	34.02
Bunkie	91	71	80	82	4.61	8.22	27.32	35.04
LSU-Alexandria	92	68	77	82	2.99	7.20	27.46	31.56
Extreme/Average	92	68	80	82	2.50	7.08	29.27	33.34
6. East-Central								
Bogalusa	94	70	80	82	3.15	3.84	24.27	36.51
LSU-Baton Rouge	92	70	81	81	2.92	9.10	30.75	33.67
LSU-Clinton	91	68	78	81	1.47	3.73	26.23	35.00
LSU-Hammond	94	68	80	81	1.53	4.51	27.07	34.50
Slidell	92	69	81	82	2.10	4.75	27.41	33.71
Extreme/Average	94	68	80	82	2.23	5.30	27.36	35.48
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	89	71	78	82	3.09	10.97	35.29	32.69
Jennings	88	71	78	81	4.24	8.13	30.59	31.16
LSU-Crowley	91	72	81	82	3.64	6.16	33.81	31.80
Extreme/Average	91	71	79	82	3.66	8.42	33.23	31.75
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	92	72	80	82	1.57	6.63	28.51	32.51
LSU-Jeanerette	91	72	81	81	1.66	11.24	30.74	32.53
Morgan City	92	73	83	81	1.34	4.87	23.18	32.18
Extreme/Average	92	72	81	82	1.52	7.58	27.48	32.61
9. Southeast								
Galliano	92	75	83	82	1.06	4.05	21.35	33.84
Houma	93	72	82	82	1.06	5.75	22.09	32.71
NO Audubon Park	MM	MM	MM	83	M.MM	3.18	23.09	33.65
Reserve	92	72	81	82	3.79	6.97	36.08	36.25
Extreme/Average	93	72	82	83	1.97	4.90	21.35	33.71
State								
State Averages	95	68	79	82	3.51	7.40	28.85	32.70

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through July 8, 2007

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