



LOUISIANA CROP WEATHER SUMMARY

For Crop Week Ending Sunday, July 9, 2006

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 3.8

Soil moisture supplies: 6% very short, 33% short, 57% adequate, and 4% surplus

Field Crops Report

Louisiana received scattered showers last week, averaging 1.97 inches of rain for the state. The rainfall slowed field activities but brought much needed relief to all crops. Rice producers were applying fungicides; there were several reports of aerial blight. The rain helped soybean growth, and the condition of the crop has improved. Stinkbugs were reported in rice and soybean fields. Sugarcane producers were spraying for borers.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers were harvesting field tomatoes and eggplants. Producers were cleaning up bell pepper fields and preparing ground for fall bell peppers. Producers continued spraying tomato fields for insects.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pasture and livestock conditions showed improvement due to the showers received. Cattlemen were cutting hay when weather permitted.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2005	5 YR AVG
Corn	Dough	82	65	69	77
	Mature	14	4	7	10
Cotton	Squaring	98	95	96	94
	Setting Bolls	72	46	45	53
Hay	Second Cutting	35	19	14	17
Peaches	Harvested	61	45	82	67
Rice	Headed	49	34	44	57
Sorghum	Headed	86	72	54	71
	Turning Color	31	15	15	11
Soybeans	Emerged	100	99	100	97
	Blooming	87	70	72	63
	Setting Pods	68	50	49	37
	Turning Color	5	0	0	0

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	3	10	43	42	2
Cotton	2	10	35	48	5
Rice	0	5	46	45	4
Sorghum	1	7	25	59	8
Soybeans	3	16	37	44	0
Sugarcane	11	16	41	27	5
Livestock	0	9	46	42	3
Vegetables	5	19	42	32	2
Pasture	9	22	49	19	1

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 07/03/06 TO 07/09/06

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	94	66	80	82	0.09	0.92	20.19	29.22
Minden	94	67	80	81	0.35	1.04	26.35	31.68
Mooringsport	94	65	80	MM	1.67	2.55	24.57	26.32
Extreme/Average	94	65	80	82	0.70	1.50	23.70	29.81
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	95	65	79	82	0.75	2.55	27.91	32.15
Homer/Hill Farm	94	(64)	80	81	1.56	1.91	29.90	31.59
ULM-Monroe	94	65	79	83	0.90	2.13	29.15	34.02
Winnfield	(96)	65	81	81	0.68	1.97	24.64	33.96
Extreme/Average	96	64	80	82	0.97	2.14	27.90	32.76
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	94	67	80	82	0.53	2.44	24.30	35.14
LSU-St Joseph	94	67	80	82	2.36	2.71	29.10	33.33
LSU-Winnsboro	94	68	81	82	1.38	1.68	30.29	33.41
Tallulah	96	67	81	82	0.69	3.23	32.51	34.68
Extreme/Average	96	67	81	82	1.24	2.52	29.05	34.07
4. West-Central								
Leesville	91	68	78	81	1.56	3.31	25.20	31.71
LSU-Rosepine	90	69	77	81	2.75	5.50	29.94	31.76
Natchitoches	93	71	80	83	1.34	3.83	33.75	31.32
Extreme/Average	93	68	79	82	1.88	4.21	29.63	31.43
5. Central								
Alexandria	93	72	82	83	1.62	3.35	27.11	33.17
Brusly	91	71	80	81	4.77	5.48	21.31	34.21
Bunkie	96	70	80	82	3.25	3.86	25.23	35.17
LSU-Alexandria	92	66	79	82	1.27	4.56	23.94	31.71
Extreme/Average	96	66	80	82	2.73	4.31	24.40	33.49
6. East-Central								
Bogalusa	93	70	81	82	2.06	2.81	17.11	36.70
LSU-Baton Rouge	93	72	81	81	2.36	4.09	20.71	33.84
LSU-Clinton	96	68	81	81	2.81	5.16	20.15	35.16
LSU-Hammond	90	71	80	81	3.73	4.26	16.40	34.69
Slideell	89	70	80	82	2.17	2.90	13.80	33.92
Extreme/Average	96	68	80	82	2.35	2.86	15.46	35.67
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	90	71	79	82	3.50	8.60	38.87	32.87
Jennings	89	71	79	81	0.91	5.04	21.45	31.35
LSU-Crowley	92	72	81	82	1.91	3.65	20.08	31.99
Extreme/Average	92	71	79	82	2.21	6.82	30.16	31.94
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	90	72	81	82	1.73	2.04	13.85	32.72
LSU-Jeanerette	90	71	80	81	6.09	8.69	21.92	32.74
Morgan City	91	74	82	81	1.69	3.45	12.69	32.42
Extreme/Average	91	71	81	82	3.17	4.73	16.15	32.84
9. Southeast								
Galliano	90	73	81	82	2.13	6.72	18.65	34.09
Houma	92	73	82	82	3.48	4.68	16.96	32.97
NO Audubon Park	91	75	83	83	0.78	2.28	11.79	33.88
Reserve	90	72	82	82	2.78	3.47	16.84	36.47
Extreme/Average	92	72	82	83	2.13	4.56	15.80	33.94
State								
State Averages	96	64	80	82	1.97	3.94	23.91	32.98

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through July 9, 2006

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