



LOUISIANA CROP WEATHER SUMMARY

For Crop Week Ending Sunday, July 10, 2005

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 4.8

Soil moisture supplies: 16% very short, 39% short, 40% adequate and 5% surplus

Field Crops Report

Louisiana received scattered showers late last week, averaging 1.3 inches of rain for the state. The rain slowed field activities. Crop conditions showed little to no improvement even with the rain. Rice producers were applying fungicides to fields. Soybean producers were applying herbicides and fungicides. Sweet potato planting was completed. Fallow land preparation was limited last week for sugarcane producers.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Harvesting of peaches continued to make good progress. Vegetable producers were selling crops and treating for diseases.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pasture conditions showed improvement from the showers last week. Cattlemen were cutting hay and fertilizing pastures as weather permitted.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2004	5 YR AVG
Corn	Silked	100	99	100	100
	Dough	73	45	79	83
	Mature	7	6	7	16
Cotton	Squaring	97	91	94	94
	Setting Bolls	49	22	49	61
Hay	First Cutting	99	95	75	93
	Second Cutting	15	6	3	22
Peaches	Harvested	84	70	66	66
Rice	Headed	47	28	58	61
Sorghum	Headed	58	32	74	74
	Turning Color	16	6	6	13
Soybeans	Emerged	100	99	97	97
	Blooming	73	65	66	63
	Setting Pods	50	40	43	36
Sweet potatoes	Planted	100	99	83	94

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	11	10	28	46	5
Cotton	6	11	32	44	7
Rice	0	3	51	39	7
Sorghum	1	14	33	43	9
Soybeans	6	13	35	40	6
Sugarcane	0	12	29	49	10
Livestock	6	11	39	39	5
Vegetables	15	13	38	32	2
Pasture	12	18	46	23	1

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 07/04/05 TO 07/10/05

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION				4 INCH SOIL TEMPERATURE		
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM	MAX	MIN	AVG
1. Northwest											
LSU-Bossier City	93	70	82	83	0.05	2.64	20.68	29.35			
Minden	94	70	82	82	0.16	2.33	20.61	31.82			
Mooringsport	95	70	82	MM	0.09	2.92	17.41	26.42			
Extreme/Average	95	70	82	82	0.10	2.63	19.05	29.95			
2. North-Central											
LSU-Calhoun	93	69	80	83	0.70	2.51	26.08	32.28			
Homer/Hill Farm	93	69	81	81	0.00	1.27	23.27	31.74			
ULM-Monroe	93	68	81	83	0.88	1.18	23.16	34.14			
Winnfield	94	69	81	81	1.41	6.51	26.23	34.10			
Extreme/Average	94	68	81	82	0.75	2.87	24.69	32.89			
3. Northeast											
Lake Providence	94	72	82	82	0.18	0.87	25.36	35.27			
LSU-St Joseph	(98)	69	82	82	2.57	3.05	24.44	33.46	MM	MM	MM
LSU-Winnsboro	94	71	82	82	0.09	2.96	27.62	33.53			
Tallulah	93	70	81	82	3.42	6.01	31.39	34.81			
Extreme/Average	98	69	82	82	1.57	3.22	27.20	34.20	MM	MM	MM
4. West-Central											
Leesville	95	68	79	81	0.70	4.20	24.13	31.86			
LSU-Rosepine	95	68	79	81	1.14	1.79	22.49	31.93	MM	MM	MM
Natchitoches	95	69	82	83	0.66	1.99	20.69	31.43			
Extreme/Average	95	68	80	82	0.68	3.10	20.69	31.57	MM	MM	MM
5. Central											
Alexandria	93	71	82	83	0.32	1.38	19.90	33.31			
Brusly	95	70	83	81	0.50	4.40	23.07	34.40			
Bunkie	94	69	82	82	1.10	6.11	29.40	35.30			
LSU-Alexandria	95	(65)	80	82	0.69	1.42	20.44	31.86	MM	MM	MM
Extreme/Average	95	65	82	82	0.65	3.33	23.20	33.64	MM	MM	MM
6. East-Central											
Bogalusa	94	68	80	82	2.45	2.85	29.53	36.89			
LSU-Baton Rouge	95	71	83	81	0.00	4.16	21.75	34.01			
LSU-Clinton	91	68	80	81	0.21	5.09	25.15	35.32			
LSU-Hammond	94	69	80	81	3.94	7.05	29.09	34.88	MM	MM	MM
Slidell	92	67	80	82	6.33	8.71	42.63	34.13			
Extreme/Average	95	67	81	82	2.59	5.57	29.63	35.86	MM	MM	MM
7. Southwest											
De Ridder	97	69	80	82	0.89	2.97	20.66	33.05			
Jennings	91	69	81	82	1.00	3.10	24.55	31.54	MM	MM	MM
LSU-Crowley	96	70	82	82	0.87	1.83	28.31	32.18	MM	MM	MM
Extreme/Average	97	69	81	82	0.92	2.63	26.43	32.13	MM	MM	MM
8. South-Central											
Donaldsonville	92	70	81	82	0.94	4.57	25.28	32.93			
LSU-Jeanerette	93	70	81	81	0.04	3.13	24.71	32.95			
Morgan City	92	72	82	81	0.05	3.05	25.91	32.66			
Extreme/Average	93	70	81	82	0.34	3.58	25.30	33.06			
9. Southeast											
Galliano	93	71	82	82	8.01	10.36	45.42	34.34			
Houma	95	72	82	82	1.39	6.99	41.41	33.23	MM	MM	MM
NO Audubon Park	94	72	82	83	0.62	4.27	37.17	34.11			
Reserve	93	69	81	82	1.60	4.64	34.31	36.69			
Extreme/Average	95	69	82	83	3.67	7.33	40.38	34.17	MM	MM	MM
State											
State Averages	98	65	81	82	1.31	3.84	26.73	33.15	MM	MM	MM

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through July 10, 2005

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