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## **Louisiana Crop Weather Summary**

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#### **CROP INFORMATION**

Days suitable for fieldwork: 4.3

Soil moisture supplies: 8% short, 60% adequate and 32% surplus

#### **Field Crops Report**

Many areas of the state received scattered afternoon thunderstorms last week. Rainfall slowed the rice harvest. Rice producers who were able to harvest reported good yields in most areas. Soybean producers were facing increased disease pressure. Soybean rust was being found in many fields. The abundant rainfall and hot temperatures were stimulating sugarcane growth. Sugarcane producers were spraying for borers and began preparing land for planting.

#### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Citrus producers were scouting for insects. Vegetable producers were preparing for fall crops.

#### **Livestock, Pasture and Range Report**

Rainfall hindered the second cutting of hay in some areas. Cattlemen were taking hay samples for quality. Rain was causing mud and insect problems in feeding areas.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS						
CROP	STAGE		Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Corn	Dough		100	99	100	99
Corn	Mature		85	62	94	83
Cotton	Setting Bolls		99	94	100	99
Hay	Second Cutting		68	66	72	65
Peaches	Harvested		93	91	98	95
Rice	Headed		90	83	92	90
	Ripe		50	18	50	50
	Harvested		20	5	20	26
Sorghum	Headed		100	98	98	98
	Turning Color		75	66	86	77
	Mature		24	0	39	35
	Harvested		4	0	9	5
Soybeans	Blooming		100	99	97	94
	Setting Pods		96	90	90	81
	Turning Color		14	5	41	18
CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES						
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT	
Corn	0	3	19	51	27	
Cotton	0	9	25	63	3	
Rice	0	3	36	54	7	
Sorghum	0	6	23	40	31	
Soybeans	0	5	26	59	10	
Sugarcane	0	0	29	43	28	
Livestock	0	3	24	62	11	
Vegetables	4	15	25	50	6	
Pasture	0	3	20	64	1	3

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AIR PRECIPITATION

TEMPERATURE WEEKLY FOUR YR. TO

MAX MIN AVG NRM TOTAL WEEKS DATE NORM

### The Louisiana Weather Summary is not available this week.

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through August 5, 2007

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