



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, August 12, 2007

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 6.6

Soil moisture supplies: 3% very short, 34% short, 58% adequate and 5% surplus

Field Crops Report

Very hot and dry conditions were experienced throughout the state last week. Dry conditions allowed many rice producers to harvest, with reports of good yields in many areas. Soybean producers were applying fungicides and insecticides. The dry conditions allowed corn farmers to begin their harvest. Sugarcane producers were planting cane and spraying for borers. Sorghum producers were busy harvesting, with the percent harvested last week well ahead of the 5-year average.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers were planting and working land. Citrus producers were spraying for insect control. Crawfish producers were preparing their ponds for next season.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

The hot and dry weather allowed cattlemen to make significant progress in the second cutting of hay. Livestock conditions were generally good despite the extremely hot temperatures.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Corn	Mature	99	85	99	94
	Harvested	20	0	38	24
Cotton	Setting Bolls	100	99	100	100
	Bolls Opening	9	0	34	14
Hay	Second Cutting	83	68	78	75
Peaches	Harvested	99	93	100	98
Rice	Headed	98	90	98	95
	Ripe	64	50	74	67
	Harvested	35	20	38	41
Sorghum	Turning Color	87	75	93	88
	Mature	73	24	58	56
	Harvested	32	4	28	17
Soybeans	Setting Pods	98	96	93	88
	Turning Color	38	14	58	31
	Dropping Leaves	15	0	37	14
Sugarcane	Planted	8	0	7	9
CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	5	15	49	31
Cotton	3	9	28	58	2
Rice	0	3	42	48	7
Sorghum	0	10	26	54	10
Soybeans	0	6	23	63	8
Sugarcane	0	2	32	43	23
Livestock	0	3	25	64	8
Vegetables	7	14	44	31	4
Pasture	0	3	23	65	9

**LOUISIANA OFFICE OF STATE CLIMATOLOGY, LSU, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 08/06/07 TO 08/12/07**

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM				
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	101	(69)	85	83	0.00	1.69	35.75	32.96
Minden	100	70	84	82	0.00	1.10	39.13	35.47
Mooringsport	100	71	85	MM	0.00	4.38	39.02	29.05
Extreme/Average	101	69	85	83	0.00	2.39	37.97	33.62
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	101	68	85	83	0.00	0.17	31.04	35.94
Homer/Hill Farm	102	70	85	82	0.00	0.34	34.03	35.50
ULM-Monroe	102	73	87	83	0.01	4.50	27.97	37.56
Colmubia Lock	99	74	86	MM	0.00	1.30	28.19	39.04
Extreme/Average	102	68	86	82	0.00	1.58	30.31	36.63
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	99	73	86	82	0.00	3.97	29.68	38.82
LSU-St Joseph	102	71	85	82	0.00	9.23	35.59	37.36
LSU-Winnboro	102	73	87	82	0.14	3.35	35.72	36.93
Tallulah	102	73	86	82	0.00	3.69	26.70	38.60
Extreme/Average	102	71	86	83	0.04	5.06	33.66	37.87
4. West-Central								
Leesville	100	70	85	82	0.00	1.96	30.21	36.20
LSU-Rosepine	102	71	83	82	0.06	2.37	36.61	36.97
Natchitoches	100	69	83	84	0.00	4.77	29.17	35.02
Extreme/Average	102	69	84	82	0.02	3.03	32.00	35.66
5. Central								
Alexandria	103	77	88	83	0.00	5.02	32.80	37.80
Brusly	101	72	84	81	0.00	3.91	36.65	40.92
Bunkie	100	76	86	83	0.04	5.75	35.17	39.20
LSU-Alexandria	106	71	87	82	0.07	5.24	34.02	36.40
Extreme/Average	106	71	86	83	0.03	4.98	35.28	38.32
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	101	75	86	MM	0.10	1.61	22.85	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	103	75	87	82	0.00	3.66	36.41	39.82
LSU-Clinton	101	70	85	81	0.00	1.29	29.70	40.93
LSU-Hammond	103	71	86	82	0.00	6.62	34.02	41.79
Slideell	99	73	86	82	0.52	3.45	32.41	41.10
Extreme/Average	103	70	86	82	0.12	3.30	31.09	42.17
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	101	75	86	83	0.00	3.85	42.10	38.12
Jennings	101	75	85	82	0.08	6.74	37.86	37.09
LSU-Crowley	100	76	87	82	0.00	3.55	38.92	38.00
Extreme/Average	101	75	86	83	0.03	4.71	39.63	38.01
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	100	75	85	82	0.68	6.71	36.57	39.51
LSU-Jeanerette	101	74	86	81	0.30	5.05	38.32	39.54
Morgan City	101	75	87	81	0.04	5.09	28.86	40.80
Extreme/Average	101	74	86	83	0.34	5.62	34.58	40.09
9. Southeast								
Galliano	97	74	86	82	1.46	9.63	32.98	42.48
Houma	103	73	86	83	0.29	8.68	34.55	41.29
Terrytown 3S	(107)	79	89	MM	0.03	5.81	41.52	MM.MM
Reserve	102	75	87	82	0.00	5.40	47.94	42.94
Extreme/Average	107	73	87	83	0.45	7.38	39.25	41.34
State								
State Averages	107	69	86	83	0.11	4.32	35.15	38.33

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through August 12, 2007

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