



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, September 30, 2007

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 5.1

Soil moisture supplies: 5% very short, 16% short, 67% adequate and 12% surplus

Field Crops Report

Scattered showers were received across the state last week. Producers were busy harvesting crops as weather permitted. Corn harvesting was completed. Harvesting of cotton remained behind the five-year average of 39 percent as scattered showers slowed progress. Rice and sorghum harvests were nearing completion. Soybean producers were busy harvesting with good yields being reported. Sugarcane harvesting began last week with 95 percent of the crop reported in fair to excellent condition. Sweet potato producers continued harvesting. Wheat producers were beginning to prepare land for planting.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Citrus producers were scouting crops. Strawberry producers were busy planting. Vegetable producers continued working crops. Crawfish producers were flooding ponds.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattlemen were preparing pastures for planting of ryegrass and finishing up second cutting of hay. Cattlemen were also busy marketing spring born calves.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Corn	Harvested	100	98	100	100
Cotton	Bolls Opening	97	91	100	96
	Harvested	15	7	56	39
Hay	Second Cutting	99	99	99	98
Pecans	Harvested	4	0	0	0
Rice	Harvested	99	97	99	96
Sorghum	Harvested	98	94	100	98
Soybeans	Turning Color	98	93	97	90
	Dropping Leaves	92	86	92	79
	Harvested	65	50	78	59
Sugarcane	Planted	95	90	92	95
	Harvested	1	0	1	3
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	35	20	38	38

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Cotton	0	8	27	65	0
Sugarcane	0	5	28	44	23
Livestock	1	4	31	57	7
Vegetables	9	26	39	24	2
Pasture	2	8	38	47	5

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 09/24/07 TO 09/30/07

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	91	59	78	72	1.74	2.54	38.43	37.73
Minden	89	61	77	72	0.28	1.71	44.35	40.85
Mooringsport	89	59	78	MM	0.12	0.54	41.63	34.19
Extreme/Average	91	59	77	72	0.71	1.60	41.47	38.75
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	89	(57)	75	73	0.36	2.64	34.98	41.20
Homer/Hill Farm	89	61	76	71	0.62	1.85	37.79	41.23
ULM-Monroe	90	62	77	73	1.96	3.47	31.85	42.75
Columbia Lock	89	61	76	MM	1.53	5.16	36.53	44.31
Extreme/Average	90	57	76	72	1.12	3.28	35.29	42.14
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	89	61	76	73	1.02	4.21	36.04	43.48
LSU-St Joseph	91	65	79	73	1.32	5.41	42.22	42.32
LSU-Winnsboro	91	65	78	73	1.05	5.56	43.22	41.63
Tallulah	91	65	77	72	0.45	4.64	31.50	43.60
Extreme/Average	91	61	77	73	0.96	4.96	40.49	42.70
4. West-Central								
Leesville	91	59	77	73	0.91	3.67	37.19	42.61
LSU-Rosepine	89	67	78	74	1.81	5.91	45.42	43.68
Natchitoches	91	59	78	74	0.13	0.95	30.21	40.25
Extreme/Average	91	59	78	73	0.95	3.51	37.61	41.47
5. Central								
Alexandria	90	61	77	75	0.52	4.93	39.67	44.47
Brusly	91	66	77	74	1.83	8.25	46.43	48.88
Bunkie	89	65	78	74	0.44	3.23	40.96	45.78
LSU-Alexandria	90	60	76	74	1.15	8.15	43.09	43.31
Extreme/Average	91	60	77	74	0.99	6.14	43.49	45.16
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	90	66	79	MM	0.84	1.76	27.66	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	91	68	79	75	0.96	4.66	43.30	47.88
LSU-Clinton	89	65	76	74	1.00	3.76	35.02	48.49
LSU-Hammond	91	62	79	74	0.29	2.59	38.18	50.30
Slidell	90	68	79	75	0.31	2.92	36.10	49.74
Extreme/Average	91	62	78	74	0.68	3.14	36.31	50.23
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	89	67	79	74	0.30	8.84	54.47	45.28
Jennings	90	68	80	75	0.81	7.70	51.42	45.87
LSU-Crowley	91	68	80	75	0.34	4.32	51.34	45.95
Extreme/Average	91	67	79	75	0.48	6.95	52.41	46.65
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	89	68	78	75	1.33	3.39	43.81	48.45
LSU-Jeanerette	90	69	79	74	0.46	6.71	48.72	49.08
Morgan City	89	72	80	76	0.88	3.13	38.90	51.80
Extreme/Average	90	68	79	76	0.89	4.41	43.81	49.53
9. Southeast								
Galliano	88	71	80	76	0.37	3.71	38.33	53.13
Houma	(92)	67	79	76	2.32	4.07	45.05	51.61
Terrytown 3S	91	73	82	MM	0.62	2.76	47.58	MM.MM
Reserve	91	69	80	75	2.26	7.31	60.48	51.93
Extreme/Average	92	67	80	77	1.39	4.46	47.86	51.35
State								
State Averages	92	57	78	74	0.91	4.56	42.75	45.60

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through September 30, 2007

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