



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 6.8

Soil moisture supplies: 14% very short, 38% short, 46% adequate and 2% surplus

Field Crops Report

Most of the state experienced dry conditions last week. Cotton harvest reached 65 percent, only slightly behind the 5-year average. Cotton remaining in the field was in good condition. Sorghum producers finished harvesting their fields. Soybean harvest reached 90 percent, well ahead of the 5-year average of 72 percent. Sugarcane producers were busy harvesting their crops, while sugarcane planting was near completion. Sweet potato producers were harvesting their fields.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers were working fall crops. Citrus producers were getting ready to harvest.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattlemen were getting ready to plant ryegrass. Pasture was in need of rainfall to get the winter forage off to a good start. Cattlemen were also marketing spring born calves. Livestock conditions were generally good, with 60 percent in good to excellent condition.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Bolls Opening	100	99	100	99
	Harvested	65	42	89	69
Pecans	Harvested	21	10	14	12
Sorghum	Harvested	100	99	100	99
Soybeans	Dropping Leaves	99	98	99	93
	Harvested	90	85	90	72
Sugarcane	Planted	99	98	98	99
	Harvested	13	4	7	13
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	60	46	68	59

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Cotton	0	3	26	66	5
Sugarcane	0	6	34	42	18
Livestock	1	4	35	57	3
Vegetables	13	21	41	24	1
Pasture	9	15	40	32	4

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 10/08/07 TO 10/14/07

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	92	50	71	67	0.00	1.74	38.43	39.61
Minden	91	45	70	66	0.00	0.43	44.35	42.56
Mooringsport	92	50	71	MM	0.33	0.45	41.96	36.01
Extreme/Average	92	45	71	67	0.11	0.87	41.58	40.63
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	92	44	69	67	0.53	0.96	35.51	43.04
Homer/Hill Farm	92	51	71	66	0.00	0.65	37.75	43.05
ULM-Monroe	91	45	70	67	0.00	2.08	31.85	44.57
Colmubia Lock	89	49	70	MM	0.00	1.55	36.53	46.03
Extreme/Average	92	44	70	67	0.13	1.31	35.41	43.96
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	91	50	70	67	0.00	1.20	36.04	45.34
LSU-St Joseph	(93)	47	71	68	0.00	2.14	42.38	43.75
LSU-Winnsboro	92	45	70	67	0.00	1.36	44.70	43.25
Tallulah	91	48	70	67	0.00	0.60	31.50	45.15
Extreme/Average	93	45	71	67	0.00	1.33	41.04	44.33
4. West-Central								
Leesville	90	(43)	70	68	0.22	1.15	37.43	44.27
LSU-Rosepine	89	49	71	69	0.23	2.23	45.81	45.52
Natchitoches	92	46	71	68	0.00	0.13	30.21	42.01
Extreme/Average	92	43	71	67	0.15	1.17	37.82	43.24
5. Central								
Alexandria	90	53	71	70	0.24	0.76	39.91	46.51
Brusly	89	49	72	68	0.58	2.46	47.04	50.73
Bunkie	90	49	71	69	2.20	2.69	43.16	47.60
LSU-Alexandria	90	51	71	68	0.22	1.44	43.35	45.17
Extreme/Average	90	49	71	69	0.81	1.84	44.52	47.05
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	89	49	72	MM	0.44	1.46	28.27	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	90	50	73	69	0.74	2.47	44.38	49.47
LSU-Clinton	88	49	70	68	0.49	2.41	36.43	50.31
LSU-Hammond	89	47	71	69	0.29	0.79	38.68	51.87
Slidell	87	50	73	70	0.08	1.07	36.86	51.13
Extreme/Average	90	47	72	69	0.49	1.78	37.11	51.83
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	90	51	73	69	0.22	0.84	55.01	47.16
Jennings	91	53	74	70	0.00	0.83	51.44	47.88
LSU-Crowley	90	52	74	71	0.28	0.79	51.62	47.80
Extreme/Average	91	51	74	70	0.17	0.82	52.69	48.66
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	87	52	72	70	0.65	2.29	44.77	50.28
LSU-Jeanerette	89	53	73	70	0.78	1.89	50.15	50.95
Morgan City	89	59	76	71	1.40	3.34	41.36	53.58
Extreme/Average	89	52	74	71	0.94	2.51	45.43	51.38
9. Southeast								
Galliano	87	55	75	71	0.13	0.97	38.93	54.90
Houma	91	52	75	71	3.41	6.86	49.50	53.19
Terrytown 3S	91	57	76	MM	0.11	1.27	48.23	MM.MM
Reserve	88	53	73	70	0.34	3.37	61.59	53.55
Extreme/Average	91	52	74	72	1.00	3.12	49.56	52.99
State								
State Averages	93	43	72	69	0.44	1.64	43.47	47.40

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through October 14, 2007

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