



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 6.4

**Soil moisture supplies:** 12% very short, 38% short, 49% adequate and 1% surplus

### Field Crops Report

Much of the state experienced dry conditions last week, although some areas received rainfall. The rice ratoon harvest was winding down. Sugarcane producers were busy harvesting, with 50 percent of the harvest complete. Pecan harvest was well ahead of the 5-year average. Cotton producers finished harvesting their fields. Generally favorable weather conditions allowed wheat planted to reach 57 percent, well ahead of the 5-year average. The sweet potato harvest was nearing completion with 98 percent harvested.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers were busy harvesting cole crops. Citrus producers were selling satsumas and navels. Crawfish producers were checking traps.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattlemen were fertilizing pastures. Calf marketing was winding down.

| PERCENT OF PROGRESS |           |              |           |      |          |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|------|----------|
| CROP                | STAGE     | Current Week | Last Week | 2006 | 5 YR AVG |
| Cotton              | Harvested | 100          | 99        | 99   | 95       |
| Pecans              | Harvested | 71           | 69        | 50   | 58       |
| Sugarcane           | Harvested | 50           | 43        | 39   | 49       |
| Sweet Potatoes      | Harvested | 98           | 96        | 90   | 91       |
| Winter Wheat        | Planted   | 57           | 45        | 21   | 46       |

| CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES |           |      |      |      |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| ITEM                      | VERY POOR | POOR | FAIR | GOOD | EXCELLENT |
| Sugarcane                 | 0         | 4    | 18   | 54   | 24        |
| Livestock                 | 0         | 10   | 36   | 51   | 3         |
| Vegetables                | 9         | 22   | 47   | 22   | 0         |
| Pasture                   | 12        | 17   | 41   | 30   | 0         |

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LOUISIANA OFFICE OF STATE CLIMATOLOGY, LSU, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA  
 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 11/12/07 TO 11/18/07

|                         | AIR TEMPERATURE |      |     |     | PRECIPITATION |            |             |       |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----|-----|---------------|------------|-------------|-------|
|                         | MAX             | MIN  | AVG | NRM | WEEKLY TOTAL  | FOUR WEEKS | YR. TO DATE | NORM  |
| <b>1. Northwest</b>     |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| LSU-Bossier City        | 86              | 30   | 63  | 55  | 0.01          | 0.33       | 39.55       | 44.92 |
| Minden                  | 85              | 29   | 62  | 55  | 0.00          | 0.60       | 45.61       | 48.06 |
| Mooringsport            | 83              | 37   | 63  | MM  | 0.00          | 0.38       | 44.19       | 41.35 |
| Extreme/Average         | 86              | 29   | 62  | 56  | 0.00          | 0.44       | 43.12       | 46.08 |
| <b>2. North-Central</b> |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| LSU-Calhoun             | 82              | (27) | 60  | 56  | 0.00          | 1.67       | 37.93       | 48.14 |
| Homer/Hill Farm         | 84              | 33   | 62  | 54  | 0.00          | 0.34       | 39.22       | 48.54 |
| ULM-Monroe              | 83              | 31   | 61  | 55  | 0.05          | 0.65       | 34.26       | 49.93 |
| Columbia Lock           | 81              | 31   | 59  | MM  | 0.03          | 0.75       | 38.96       | 51.34 |
| Extreme/Average         | 84              | 27   | 61  | 56  | 0.02          | 0.85       | 37.59       | 49.25 |
| <b>3. Northeast</b>     |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| Lake Providence         | 82              | 32   | 61  | 55  | 0.07          | 2.50       | 40.24       | 50.94 |
| LSU-St Joseph           | 84              | 29   | 63  | 57  | 0.00          | 1.56       | 45.26       | 48.71 |
| LSU-Winnsboro           | 83              | 33   | 61  | 56  | 0.00          | 0.30       | 46.58       | 48.63 |
| Tallulah                | 78              | 29   | 57  | 55  | 0.00          | 1.76       | 34.31       | 50.34 |
| Extreme/Average         | 84              | 29   | 61  | 57  | 0.04          | 1.40       | 43.41       | 49.61 |
| <b>4. West-Central</b>  |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| Leesville               | 78              | 28   | 62  | 57  | 1.12          | 1.62       | 42.20       | 49.43 |
| LSU-Rosepine            | 82              | 33   | 61  | 57  | 2.68          | 4.18       | 53.35       | 50.81 |
| Natchitoches            | 86              | 33   | 65  | 56  | 0.34          | 0.65       | 33.21       | 47.04 |
| Extreme/Average         | 86              | 28   | 63  | 57  | 1.38          | 2.15       | 42.92       | 48.31 |
| <b>5. Central</b>       |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| Alexandria              | 82              | 32   | 59  | 58  | 1.25          | 2.72       | 44.09       | 52.65 |
| Brusly                  | 82              | 30   | 61  | 58  | 0.05          | 1.10       | 49.21       | 55.62 |
| Bunkie                  | 83              | 33   | 62  | 59  | 1.08          | 2.55       | 46.91       | 53.27 |
| LSU-Alexandria          | 84              | 35   | 62  | 57  | 0.88          | 1.36       | 46.29       | 51.35 |
| Extreme/Average         | 84              | 30   | 61  | 59  | 0.82          | 1.93       | 47.47       | 52.81 |
| <b>6. East-Central</b>  |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| Franklinton 5SW         | 81              | 32   | 61  | MM  | 0.02          | 2.23       | 32.56       | MM.MM |
| LSU-Baton Rouge         | 82              | 31   | 64  | 60  | 0.08          | 2.03       | 48.45       | 54.26 |
| LSU-Clinton             | 79              | 29   | 61  | 58  | 0.01          | 0.81       | 38.46       | 55.51 |
| LSU-Hammond             | 83              | 30   | 61  | 59  | 0.02          | 2.33       | 42.65       | 56.62 |
| Slidell                 | 79              | 32   | 61  | 60  | 0.01          | 6.77       | 44.89       | 55.83 |
| Extreme/Average         | 83              | 29   | 61  | 59  | 0.03          | 2.83       | 42.14       | 56.72 |
| <b>7. Southwest</b>     |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| De Ridder               | 83              | 35   | 63  | 59  | 2.31          | 3.58       | 61.59       | 52.43 |
| Jennings                | 82              | 37   | 63  | 60  | 0.73          | 1.21       | 53.06       | 53.26 |
| LSU-Crowley             | 83              | 35   | 62  | 60  | 0.52          | 1.29       | 56.54       | 53.04 |
| Extreme/Average         | 83              | 35   | 63  | 61  | 1.19          | 2.03       | 57.06       | 54.01 |
| <b>8. South-Central</b> |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| Donaldsonville          | 80              | 37   | 63  | 61  | 0.06          | 2.25       | 47.78       | 54.98 |
| LSU-Jeanerette          | 81              | 36   | 63  | 60  | 0.06          | 2.02       | 52.39       | 55.57 |
| Morgan City             | 79              | 39   | 64  | 61  | 0.03          | 2.80       | 44.88       | 58.40 |
| Extreme/Average         | 81              | 36   | 63  | 61  | 0.05          | 2.36       | 48.35       | 56.21 |
| <b>9. Southeast</b>     |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| Galliano                | 80              | 42   | 64  | 62  | 0.04          | 4.68       | 44.38       | 59.57 |
| Houma                   | 84              | 33   | 63  | 62  | 0.02          | 4.70       | 55.14       | 57.35 |
| Terrytown 3S            | 84              | 44   | 66  | MM  | 0.00          | 9.68       | 58.69       | MM.MM |
| Reserve                 | 81              | 38   | 63  | 61  | 0.04          | 3.73       | 66.08       | 58.14 |
| Extreme/Average         | 84              | 33   | 64  | 63  | 0.03          | 5.70       | 56.07       | 57.53 |
| <b>State</b>            |                 |      |     |     |               |            |             |       |
| State Averages          | 86              | 27   | 62  | 59  | 0.45          | 2.26       | 47.22       | 52.60 |

M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through November 18, 2007

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