



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 5.4

**Soil moisture supplies:** 5% very short, 4% short, 70% adequate and 21% surplus

### Field Crops Report

Most of the state continued to benefit from week before last's rain. Corn planted and emerged continued to make good progress. Rice producers continued planting. Sorghum planting made good progress. Cotton and soybean producers continued to prepare their fields for planting.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Citrus producers continued with fertilizer applications. Vegetable producers planted and irrigated field crops. Crawfish catches continued to increase.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Calving season continued. Cattlemen cut hay and fertilized pastures.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Corn	Planted	96	82	97	96
	Emerged	75	52	80	74
Cotton	Planted	5	0	1	3
Hay	First Cutting	4	0	4	3
Rice	Planted	58	41	61	61
	Emerged	25	0	33	38
Sorghum	Planted	14	3	38	34
Soybeans	Planted	7	0	5	2
Winter Wheat	Headed	90	67	85	76
Land Preparation	Spring Plowing	88	73	75	74

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	4	62	34	0
Sugarcane	3	18	42	31	6
Wheat	0	2	23	68	7
Livestock	1	4	37	56	2
Vegetables	2	11	33	53	1
Pasture	2	7	37	50	4



**LOUISIANA OFFICE OF STATE CLIMATOLOGY, LSU, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA  
LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 04/06/09 TO 04/12/09**

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
<b>1. Northwest</b>								
LSU-Bossier City	79	37	58	62	0.01	3.83	10.94	15.50
Minden	78	33	55	62	0.55	4.92	13.79	16.97
Mooringsport	79	38	57	MM	0.15	3.52	10.65	14.27
Extreme/Average	79	33	57	63	0.24	4.09	11.79	15.82
<b>2. North-Central</b>								
LSU-Calhoun	81	32	58	62	0.62	4.28	12.67	18.24
Homer/Hill Farm	78	32	56	61	0.11	4.05	12.20	17.25
ULM-Monroe	81	37	59	63	0.31	3.37	11.38	19.17
Columbia Lock	80	35	58	MM	0.00	4.75	12.09	19.63
Extreme/Average	81	32	57	63	0.26	4.11	12.09	18.20
<b>3. Northeast</b>								
Lake Providence	81	37	59	62	0.00	3.37	11.69	19.83
LSU-St Joseph	85	36	60	64	0.03	4.07	14.29	19.77
LSU-Winnnsboro	80	33	58	63	0.01	4.00	11.92	19.03
Tallulah	83	37	60	63	0.02	5.97	16.20	19.64
Extreme/Average	85	33	59	63	0.02	4.35	13.53	19.49
<b>4. West-Central</b>								
Leesville	83	(30)	60	64	0.00	4.60	11.76	17.39
LSU-Rosepine	85	33	61	63	0.00	4.10	12.39	17.25
Natchitoches	82	34	58	63	0.00	5.15	14.18	17.22
Extreme/Average	85	30	60	64	0.00	4.62	12.78	17.18
<b>5. Central</b>								
Alexandria	84	36	59	65	0.00	5.26	12.21	18.77
Brusly	85	37	61	64	0.00	6.79	13.95	19.21
Bunkie	84	36	61	65	0.00	6.28	14.94	19.31
LSU-Alexandria	85	36	61	64	0.00	4.47	12.56	17.96
Extreme/Average	85	36	61	65	0.00	5.70	13.42	18.71
<b>6. East-Central</b>								
Franklinton 5SW	83	35	60	MM	0.00	7.08	16.59	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	83	37	62	65	0.00	6.06	14.10	17.99
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	64	M.MM	6.70	12.71	19.80
LSU-Hammond	84	34	60	64	0.00	4.21	9.95	20.17
Slidell	MM	MM	MM	65	0.00	6.72	12.84	19.31
Extreme/Average	84	34	61	65	0.00	5.78	13.55	19.90
<b>7. Southwest</b>								
De Ridder	86	35	61	65	0.01	4.16	12.84	17.89
Jennings	85	37	62	65	0.03	5.79	12.57	15.97
LSU-Crowley	84	39	62	66	0.00	6.26	13.04	16.47
Extreme/Average	86	35	62	66	0.01	5.40	12.82	16.04
<b>8. South-Central</b>								
Donaldsonville	84	40	62	66	0.00	4.85	12.25	17.80
LSU-Jeanerette	83	40	63	66	0.00	7.77	13.54	15.74
Morgan City	79	39	61	66	0.00	5.13	9.97	16.56
Extreme/Average	84	39	62	67	0.00	5.92	11.92	16.63
<b>9. Southeast</b>								
Galliano	83	39	62	66	0.00	1.84	6.56	17.76
Houma	84	41	64	67	0.00	5.21	8.56	16.76
Terrytown 3S	(87)	44	64	MM	0.00	7.99	15.89	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	66	M.MM	4.86	10.39	19.60
Extreme/Average	87	39	64	67	0.00	6.60	12.23	18.16
<b>State</b>								
State Averages	87	30	60	65	0.06	5.25	12.74	17.84

M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through April 12, 2009

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