



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, April 5, 2009

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 2.7

Soil moisture supplies: 2% very short, 1% short, 49% adequate and 48% surplus

Field Crops Report

Spring planting was delayed by heavy rainfall. Producers spent much of the week in the shop repairing equipment. Corn producers were busy evaluating fields to determine where replanting was needed. Rice planting continued. There were some reports of lodging in wheat fields due to the storms. Sugarcane producers applied herbicides.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Producers were busy harvesting strawberries, and planting tomatoes. Crawfish producers reported good catches, however, crawfish size was small.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattlemen fertilized pastures and began cutting hay.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Corn	Planted	82	76	93	84
	Emerged	52	27	47	49
Rice	Planted	41	26	49	45
Sorghum	Planted	3	2	14	18
Winter Wheat	Headed	64	33	48	51
Land Preparation	Spring Plowing	73	73	71	64

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Sugarcane	3	14	34	43	6
Wheat	1	3	31	59	6
Livestock	2	6	36	50	6
Vegetables	4	9	40	46	1
Pasture	2	9	38	46	5



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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 03/30/09 TO 04/05/09**

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	79	36	58	60	0.80	7.14	10.93	14.45
Minden	81	(34)	56	60	1.26	8.37	13.24	15.78
Mooringsport	79	40	57	MM	0.72	6.63	10.50	13.34
Extreme/Average	81	34	57	61	0.93	7.38	11.56	14.77
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	79	35	58	61	0.59	7.70	12.05	17.12
Homer/Hill Farm	79	36	58	59	1.22	7.72	12.09	16.06
ULM-Monroe	79	39	60	61	0.58	6.90	11.07	17.91
Columbia Lock	79	38	58	MM	0.79	8.23	12.09	18.23
Extreme/Average	79	35	58	61	0.80	7.64	11.83	17.01
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	78	39	59	60	0.54	6.74	11.69	18.36
LSU-St Joseph	80	42	62	62	0.32	7.41	14.26	18.50
LSU-Winnsboro	79	41	60	61	0.48	6.99	11.91	17.70
Tallulah	79	39	61	61	0.55	10.23	16.18	18.35
Extreme/Average	80	39	60	62	0.47	7.84	13.51	18.16
4. West-Central								
Leesville	79	39	60	62	0.76	9.12	11.76	16.38
LSU-Rosepine	77	38	59	62	0.35	9.12	12.39	16.27
Natchitoches	78	42	59	62	1.03	10.32	14.18	16.20
Extreme/Average	79	38	59	62	0.71	9.52	12.78	16.15
5. Central								
Alexandria	78	41	60	63	0.00	8.51	12.21	17.59
Brusly	81	44	62	63	0.48	8.86	13.95	17.86
Bunkie	78	44	61	63	0.15	8.28	14.94	18.04
LSU-Alexandria	78	42	61	63	0.27	7.20	12.56	16.91
Extreme/Average	81	41	61	64	0.23	8.21	13.42	17.52
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	80	43	62	MM	0.43	9.93	16.56	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	80	45	63	64	0.42	8.49	14.10	16.76
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	62	0.00	6.83	12.71	18.43
LSU-Hammond	80	43	63	63	0.16	5.82	9.95	18.79
Slidell	80	44	63	64	1.05	8.89	12.84	18.22
Extreme/Average	80	43	63	64	0.52	8.28	13.36	18.57
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	78	44	61	63	0.33	7.24	12.83	16.93
Jennings	79	47	64	64	0.61	8.20	12.54	15.08
LSU-Crowley	77	46	62	65	0.60	8.59	13.04	15.49
Extreme/Average	79	44	62	65	0.51	8.01	12.80	15.13
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	81	46	63	65	0.64	6.52	12.25	16.54
LSU-Jeanerette	81	47	65	64	0.33	9.67	13.54	14.64
Morgan City	79	48	65	65	0.16	5.59	9.97	15.60
Extreme/Average	81	46	64	65	0.38	7.26	11.92	15.51
9. Southeast								
Galliano	81	49	64	65	0.05	2.42	6.56	16.75
Houma	81	48	65	66	0.14	5.61	8.59	15.73
Terrytown 3S	(83)	51	67	MM	0.10	9.22	15.89	MM.MM
Reserve	80	49	64	65	0.31	6.20	10.39	18.37
Extreme/Average	83	48	65	66	0.15	5.86	10.36	17.04
State								
State Averages	83	34	61	63	0.49	7.75	12.43	16.71

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through April 5, 2009

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