



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 4.7

Soil moisture supplies: 73% adequate and 27% surplus

Field Crops Report

Rice planting was nearly two thirds complete. Rice producers applied herbicides, and there were a few reports of seedling disease in drill seeded rice. Soybean and grain sorghum producers continued planting. Sugarcane fertilization continued.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers sprayed tomato plants and fertigated bell pepper plants. Strawberry producers remained busy harvesting and marketing strawberries. Crawfish numbers and size of catch increased.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattlemen continued to cut ryegrass for hay.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Corn	Planted	99	96	100	99
	Emerged	85	75	94	89
Cotton	Planted	7	5	16	13
Hay	First Cutting	6	4	13	8
Rice	Planted	65	58	76	73
	Emerged	35	25	56	55
Sorghum	Planted	17	14	57	50
Soybeans	Planted	17	7	27	16
Winter Wheat	Headed	97	90	96	88
Land Preparation	Spring Plowing	91	88	80	82

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	1	4	43	48	4
Sugarcane	1	11	35	48	5
Wheat	1	3	28	60	8
Livestock	1	4	30	59	6
Vegetables	0	7	38	53	2
Pasture	0	5	36	54	5

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 04/13/09 TO 04/19/09

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	76	41	61	64	2.36	6.17	13.30	16.55
Minden	76	39	60	63	1.91	6.83	15.70	18.17
Mooringsport	74	45	61	MM	2.63	6.14	13.28	15.18
Extreme/Average	76	39	61	65	2.30	6.38	14.09	16.87
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	75	42	62	64	1.75	6.02	14.42	19.32
Homer/Hill Farm	75	41	59	63	1.87	5.92	14.07	18.44
ULM-Monroe	76	44	63	64	2.26	5.62	13.64	20.43
Columbia Lock	74	43	61	MM	2.71	7.38	14.80	21.03
Extreme/Average	76	41	61	64	2.15	6.24	14.23	19.34
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	77	46	61	64	1.35	4.69	13.04	21.27
LSU-St Joseph	75	46	64	65	2.65	6.41	16.94	21.03
LSU-Winnsboro	75	44	63	64	2.14	6.04	14.06	20.36
Tallulah	76	45	63	64	1.75	7.67	17.95	20.90
Extreme/Average	77	44	63	65	1.97	6.20	15.50	20.82
4. West-Central								
Leesville	78	40	63	65	5.04	9.46	16.80	18.38
LSU-Rosepine	77	(37)	61	65	4.68	8.45	15.86	18.19
Natchitoches	77	46	64	65	4.40	9.44	18.58	18.23
Extreme/Average	78	37	63	65	4.71	9.12	17.08	18.20
5. Central								
Alexandria	77	46	63	66	5.67	10.24	17.19	19.89
Brusly	(88)	46	67	66	2.84	7.62	16.79	20.58
Bunkie	80	46	65	66	5.93	11.28	20.87	20.60
LSU-Alexandria	79	46	64	65	5.48	9.54	18.04	18.96
Extreme/Average	88	46	65	67	4.98	9.67	18.57	19.85
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	83	46	64	MM	2.22	8.95	18.81	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	81	46	66	66	2.91	7.15	17.01	19.25
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	65	M.MM	3.65	12.71	21.20
LSU-Hammond	84	43	65	66	2.13	5.84	12.08	21.50
Slidell	MM	MM	MM	67	0.97	7.43	13.81	20.36
Extreme/Average	84	43	65	67	2.42	7.31	15.97	21.23
7. Southwest								
DeRidder	79	45	64	66	4.60	8.24	17.44	18.80
Jennings	80	47	66	67	4.77	9.00	17.34	16.87
LSU-Crowley	80	48	67	67	5.58	10.03	18.62	17.46
Extreme/Average	80	45	66	68	4.98	9.09	17.80	17.01
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	82	50	67	67	2.28	6.45	14.53	19.02
LSU-Jeanerette	80	49	67	67	1.98	8.22	15.52	16.86
Morgan City	79	53	67	67	2.11	7.02	12.08	17.53
Extreme/Average	82	49	67	68	2.20	6.74	13.31	17.75
9. Southeast								
Galliano	81	51	68	68	1.40	2.35	7.96	18.74
Houma	81	48	68	68	0.87	5.86	9.43	17.78
Terrytown 3S	85	50	69	MM	0.59	8.05	16.48	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	67	M.MM	3.91	10.08	20.79
Extreme/Average	85	48	68	69	0.95	5.42	11.29	19.26
State								
State Averages	88	37	64	66	3.13	7.52	15.57	18.97

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through April 19, 2009

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