



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 6.9

**Soil moisture supplies:** 37% very short, 45% short, and 18% adequate

### Field Crops Report

Dry conditions continued across the state. Early planted rice started to head. Rice producers applied fungicides and insecticides. Some of the soybean producers held off herbicide applications due to the drought. Corn producers continued to irrigate due to the dry weather. Twenty-two percent of the corn was at the dough stage, slightly below the five year average of 30%. Six percent of sorghum had headed which was behind the five year average of 24%. Sugarcane producers continued to scout for borers. The cotton crop was progressing well, with 77% at the squaring stage, well above the five year average of 63%.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Producers harvested tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, eggplants and bell peppers. Citrus producers scouted fields. Peach producers began harvest of peaches. Crawfish producers continued to drain ponds.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pastures and hay fields showed slow growth due to inadequate moisture levels.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Corn	Silked	97	93	98	97
	Dough	22	0	39	30
Cotton	Squaring	77	56	55	63
Hay	First Cutting	94	86	88	86
Peaches	Harvested	6	0	36	34
Rice	Headed	7	0	13	13
Sorghum	Headed	6	0	42	24
Soybeans	Planted	98	96	98	97
	Emerged	97	89	95	94
	Blooming	28	0	40	38
	Setting Pods	15	0	17	16
Sweet Potatoes	Planted	86	64	86	81
Winter Wheat	Harvested	100	97	100	100

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	2	8	24	48	18
Cotton	0	7	35	46	12
Rice	0	5	27	58	10
Sorghum	0	5	33	62	0
Soybeans	1	10	37	42	10
Sugarcane	3	9	42	36	10
Wheat	0	3	26	67	4
Livestock	1	6	43	44	6
Vegetables	5	15	42	37	1
Pasture	10	18	35	33	4

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 06/15/09 TO 06/21/09**

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM				
<b>1. Northwest</b>								
LSU-Bossier City	95	75	84	80	0.00	2.02	23.11	26.59
Minden	95	72	83	79	0.00	2.30	25.91	28.91
Mooringsport	98	74	85	00	0.00	2.41	21.73	23.84
Extreme/Average	98	72	84	80	0.00	2.24	23.58	27.12
<b>2. North-Central</b>								
LSU-Calhoun	97	72	83	80	0.00	1.73	22.58	29.73
Homer/Hill Farm	97	70	83	78	0.00	1.60	22.97	28.79
ULM-Monroe	97	74	85	80	0.00	0.33	22.75	31.56
Columbia Lock	99	71	84	00	0.00	2.07	22.28	32.51
Extreme/Average	99	70	84	80	0.00	1.43	22.65	30.16
<b>3. Northeast</b>								
Lake Providence	97	74	85	80	0.00	2.21	26.61	32.68
LSU-St Joseph	95	74	84	81	0.00	0.39	20.06	31.17
LSU-Winnsboro	95	73	84	80	0.00	0.87	22.61	31.02
Tallulah	96	72	83	80	0.00	1.28	29.76	32.18
Extreme/Average	97	72	84	80	0.00	1.19	24.76	31.66
<b>4. West-Central</b>								
Leesville	98	68	83	79	0.00	0.83	20.79	29.01
LSU-Rosepine	96	67	81	79	0.00	0.92	22.38	28.79
Natchitoches	(100)	73	86	81	0.00	0.97	22.08	29.11
Extreme/Average	100	(67)	83	80	0.00	0.91	21.75	28.85
<b>5. Central</b>								
Alexandria	98	73	85	81	0.00	0.90	20.37	30.51
Brusly	94	68	81	80	0.00	1.26	22.22	30.79
Bunkie	97	70	83	81	0.00	1.41	27.44	32.56
LSU-Alexandria	97	70	84	80	0.00	0.78	21.52	29.12
Extreme/Average	98	68	83	81	0.00	1.09	23.73	30.72
<b>6. East-Central</b>								
Franklinton 5SW	99	70	84	MM	0.00	0.75	22.69	00.00
LSU-Baton Rouge	96	70	83	80	0.00	0.64	21.29	30.50
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	79	M.MM	0.55	19.37	32.26
LSU-Hammond	98	69	83	80	0.00	1.84	16.30	31.37
Slidell	MM	MM	MM	81	0.00	1.70	17.45	30.79
Extreme/Average	99	69	83	80	0.00	1.08	20.09	32.41
<b>7. Southwest</b>								
DeRidder	95	70	83	80	0.00	1.64	23.86	29.63
Jennings	95	72	83	80	0.00	2.57	21.58	27.93
LSU-Crowley	96	71	84	81	0.00	1.05	24.99	28.70
Extreme/Average	96	70	83	81	0.00	1.75	23.48	28.35
<b>8. South-Central</b>								
Donaldsonville	95	70	82	81	0.00	0.53	20.98	29.01
LSU-Jeanerette	97	71	82	80	0.00	2.50	22.69	28.65
Morgan City	92	73	83	80	0.00	2.04	16.77	28.42
Extreme/Average	97	70	82	81	0.00	1.29	18.88	28.85
<b>9. Southeast</b>								
Galliano	94	74	84	81	0.00	2.05	16.25	30.09
Houma	95	71	82	81	0.00	1.68	12.83	28.77
Terrytown 3S	97	75	86	MM	0.00	1.82	22.16	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	80	M.MM	M.MM	10.08	32.39
Extreme/Average	97	71	84	81	0.00	1.85	17.08	30.04
State Averages	100	67	84	81	0.00	1.43	21.90	29.88

M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through June 21, 2009

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