



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 6.8

**Soil moisture supplies:** 55% very short, 33% short, and 12% adequate

### Field Crops Report

Dry conditions persisted across the state. Twenty-eight percent of the rice crop was heading, slightly behind the 5-year average of 42%. Eighty-two percent of the corn was at the dough state, compared to the 5-year average of 69%. Forty-one percent of cotton had set bolls, slightly ahead of the 5-year average of 38%. Two percent of the sorghum had turned color, behind the 5-year average of 13%. Fifty-seven percent of beans were setting pods, ahead of the 5-year average of 44%. Sugarcane growth has slowed due to the hot, dry weather and some browning on the leaves has occurred.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Producers harvested vegetables. 100% of the sweet potato crop was planted. Fifty-five percent of peaches were harvested, slightly behind the 5-year average of 61%.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pastures and hay fields continued to show slow growth due to inadequate moisture levels. Twenty-six percent of producers had completed a second cutting of hay. Cattlemen continued to feed hay and market calves.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Corn	Silked	100	99	100	100
	Dough	82	60	79	69
Cotton	Squaring	93	84	82	90
	Setting Bolls	41	9	39	38
Hay	First Cutting	97	96	95	92
	Second Cutting	26	8	33	19
Peaches	Harvested	55	29	71	61
Rice	Headed	28	26	38	42
Sorghum	Headed	81	51	84	68
	Turning Color	2	0	18	13
Soybeans	Planted	100	99	100	100
	Emerged	100	98	99	98
	Blooming	70	54	58	66
	Setting Pods	57	36	34	44
Sweet Potatoes	Planted	100	95	98	94

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	6	17	33	31	13
Cotton	1	23	31	34	11
Rice	1	4	30	55	10
Sorghum	6	23	39	32	0
Soybeans	9	24	37	21	9
Sugarcane	2	25	40	30	3
Livestock	1	12	49	37	1
Vegetables	8	26	46	19	1
Pasture	11	29	41	18	1

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 06/29/09 TO 07/05/09**

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM				
<b>1. Northwest</b>								
LSU-Bossier City	102	70	87	82	0.00	0.22	23.11	28.69
Minden	101	69	86	81	0.00	0.42	25.91	31.08
Mooringsport	103	71	87	MM	0.28	0.89	22.01	25.88
Extreme/Average	103	69	86	82	0.09	0.51	23.68	29.25
<b>2. North-Central</b>								
LSU-Calhoun	102	70	86	82	0.00	0.00	22.58	31.63
Homer/Hill Farm	99	66	82	80	0.15	0.49	23.12	30.99
ULM-Monroe	101	72	87	82	0.10	0.10	22.85	33.50
Columbia Lock	101	67	85	MM	0.00	0.00	21.47	34.62
Extreme/Average	102	66	85	82	0.08	0.20	22.48	32.20
<b>3. Northeast</b>								
Lake Providence	100	68	85	81	0.06	0.06	26.67	34.62
LSU-St Joseph	100	(65)	85	82	0.01	0.01	20.07	32.85
LSU-Winnboro	101	65	85	82	0.00	0.00	22.61	32.93
Tallulah	99	65	84	81	1.68	1.68	31.44	34.15
Extreme/Average	101	65	85	82	0.44	0.44	25.20	33.55
<b>4. West-Central</b>								
Leesville	104	68	86	81	0.00	0.19	20.98	31.11
LSU-Rosepine	104	69	86	81	1.05	1.07	23.45	31.08
Natchitoches	(105)	69	88	82	0.22	0.22	21.81	30.88
Extreme/Average	105	68	87	81	0.42	0.49	22.08	30.87
<b>5. Central</b>								
Alexandria	102	72	88	83	0.92	0.92	21.29	32.61
Brusly	97	71	85	81	0.56	0.96	23.18	33.45
Bunkie	103	73	88	82	0.64	0.64	28.08	34.64
LSU-Alexandria	104	73	88	82	2.55	2.55	24.07	31.11
Extreme/Average	104	71	87	82	1.17	1.27	25.11	32.89
<b>6. East-Central</b>								
Franklinton 5SW	102	71	87	MM	0.46	0.46	23.15	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	98	72	86	81	0.44	1.32	22.61	33.13
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	81	0.60	0.60	20.05	34.52
LSU-Hammond	100	70	86	81	1.37	1.75	18.05	33.93
Slidell	98	72	84	82	0.23	0.71	18.16	33.11
Extreme/Average	102	70	86	82	0.63	1.18	21.27	34.91
<b>7. Southwest</b>								
DeRidder	101	72	86	82	1.56	1.56	25.42	32.15
Jennings	99	74	87	81	0.69	0.72	22.30	30.59
LSU-Crowley	101	74	87	82	1.51	1.51	26.50	31.23
Extreme/Average	101	72	87	82	1.25	1.26	24.74	31.15
<b>8. South-Central</b>								
Donaldsonville	97	73	85	82	1.16	3.64	24.62	31.88
LSU-Jeanerette	99	70	86	81	4.31	4.33	27.02	31.89
Morgan City	95	73	85	81	0.95	1.41	18.18	31.46
Extreme/Average	99	70	86	82	2.14	3.13	23.27	31.93
<b>9. Southeast</b>								
Galliano	95	74	87	81	0.32	1.92	18.17	33.12
Houma	97	73	86	82	0.96	1.16	13.99	31.96
Terrytown 3S	100	75	88	MM	0.84	1.94	24.10	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	82	M.MM	M.MM	10.08	35.59
Extreme/Average	100	73	87	82	0.71	1.67	18.75	33.03

**State**

State Averages 105 65 86 82 0.78 1.11 23.02 32.29

M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through July 05, 2009

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