



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 6.9

**Soil moisture supplies:** 11% very short, 50% short, 35% adequate and 4% surplus

### Field Crops Report

Most of the state experienced warm, dry conditions last week. The drier weather aided the harvest of cotton, soybeans and sugarcane, but dry soil conditions hindered the planting of wheat. Rice producers continued to harvest the ratoon crop. Sugarcane harvest was behind the five year average due to the effects of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers were in need of rain. Citrus producers continued to harvested satsumas. Crawfish producers continued flooding ponds and monitoring water quality.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Winter forages were in need of rain. Newly planted ryegrass suffered from drought stress.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2007	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Harvested	95	93	94	95
Pecans	Harvested	32	25	55	39
Soybeans	Harvested	97	95	98	96
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	73	66	83	84
Sugarcane	Planted	100	99	100	100
	Harvested	20	13	32	33
Winter Wheat	Planted	24	12	29	25
	Emerged	7	1	0	7

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Sugarcane	6	20	42	27	5
Livestock	2	9	38	47	4
Vegetables	11	18	40	28	3
Pasture	7	20	47	26	0

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 10/27/08 TO 11/02/08

	TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	AIR NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	83	34	56	60	0.00	1.07	41.68	42.63
Minden	82	31	55	60	0.00	1.83	39.15	45.39
Mooringsport	82	35	58	MM	0.02	2.70	37.98	38.92
Extreme/Average	83	31	56	61	0.01	1.87	39.60	43.63
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	82	31	54	61	0.01	1.36	46.54	45.89
Homer/Hill Farm	82	34	56	59	0.00	1.73	34.71	45.89
ULM-Monroe	83	35	56	60	0.00	0.83	40.84	47.47
Columbia Lock	80	33	55	MM	0.00	2.77	45.94	48.87
Extreme/Average	83	31	55	60	0.00	1.67	42.01	46.83
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	83	35	55	60	0.00	1.92	53.97	48.44
LSU-St Joseph	82	34	55	62	0.00	0.95	55.58	46.27
LSU-Winnisboro	82	(30)	55	61	0.00	0.70	52.34	46.09
Tallulah	81	35	56	60	0.00	1.96	47.19	47.80
Extreme/Average	83	30	55	61	0.00	1.38	52.25	47.12
4. West-Central								
Leesville	83	28	54	61	0.00	0.94	36.14	46.85
LSU-Rosepine	83	32	56	62	0.00	0.72	36.83	48.26
Natchitoches	83	34	57	62	0.00	4.19	45.72	44.81
Extreme/Average	83	28	56	61	0.00	2.57	40.93	45.96
5. Central								
Alexandria	84	37	58	63	0.00	0.68	41.83	49.83
Brusly	80	31	53	63	0.00	0.77	52.20	53.45
Bunkie	83	34	56	63	0.00	1.56	52.84	50.49
LSU-Alexandria	(85)	34	57	62	0.02	0.86	53.82	48.25
Extreme/Average	85	31	56	63	0.01	0.97	52.95	50.05
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	81	33	55	MM	0.00	1.30	44.29	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	83	32	57	64	0.00	0.49	48.84	51.91
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	62	M.MM	M.MM	39.97	53.08
LSU-Hammond	82	32	55	63	0.00	1.79	51.42	54.27
Slidell	78	34	55	64	0.00	0.78	53.29	53.26
Extreme/Average	83	32	55	63	0.00	1.09	49.46	54.26
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	83	35	57	63	0.00	1.07	43.66	49.91
Jennings	82	38	59	64	0.00	2.21	46.96	50.63
LSU-Crowley	84	36	58	65	0.00	0.61	46.11	50.51
Extreme/Average	84	35	58	65	0.00	1.30	45.58	51.45
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	82	34	55	65	0.00	0.13	43.88	52.71
LSU-Jeanerette	83	36	58	64	0.00	0.23	53.54	53.39
Morgan City	78	38	58	66	0.00	0.29	36.32	55.88
Extreme/Average	83	34	57	65	0.00	0.22	53.54	53.88
9. Southeast								
Galliano	81	41	58	66	0.00	1.87	56.19	57.19
Houma	82	35	57	66	0.00	0.44	52.55	55.09
Terrytown 3S	82	42	60	MM	0.00	0.65	64.36	MM.MM
Reserve	83	34	60	65	0.00	0.01	50.38	55.72
Extreme/Average	83	34	59	66	0.00	0.74	51.47	55.10
State Averages	85	28	57	63	0.00	1.28	47.78	50.10

M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through November 02, 2008

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