



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 4.9

Soil moisture supplies: 4% very short, 30% short, 62% adequate and 4% surplus

Field Crops Report

Rain fell across much of Louisiana; however, some areas of the state remained in need of rainfall. Cooler seasonal temperatures continued to be felt throughout the state. Sugarcane harvest continued to make progress but was slowed down due to rain. Sweet potato harvest continued with better quality on recently harvested sweet potatoes.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable production was slow. Tomatoes were harvested from greenhouses. Strawberry producers sprayed plants to control disease. Citrus producers continued to harvest satsumas. Crawfish producers continued to maintain water levels.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Winter forages benefited from rain in some areas but more moisture would help.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2007	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Harvested	99	97	100	99
Pecans	Harvested	55	44	70	59
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	92	82	97	95
Sugarcane	Harvested	38	31	48	48
Winter Wheat	Planted	54	44	54	47
	Emerged	23	19	0	22

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Sugarcane	4	16	40	30	10
Livestock	3	10	39	44	4
Vegetables	4	17	47	31	1
Pasture	7	18	46	28	1

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 11/09/08 TO 11/16/08

	TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	AIR NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	74	31	54	56	2.51	3.20	44.74	44.77
Minden	74	28	53	55	2.61	2.99	42.03	47.87
Mooringsport	69	32	54	MM	2.97	3.81	41.33	41.18
Extreme/Average	74	28	54	56	2.70	3.51	44.74	45.91
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	72	29	54	56	1.42	1.80	46.97	47.99
Homer/Hill Farm	72	29	51	54	2.90	3.09	37.95	48.36
ULM-Monroe	70	30	54	56	1.57	2.12	42.93	49.76
Colmubia Lock	70	31	54	MM	2.29	3.69	49.48	51.17
Extreme/Average	72	29	53	56	2.05	2.91	42.93	49.08
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	67	31	53	55	1.18	2.86	55.95	50.77
LSU-St Joseph	72	33	56	58	2.29	3.49	58.49	48.54
LSU-Winnsboro	70	33	55	57	2.78	3.57	55.82	48.45
Tallulah	69	30	54	56	2.30	4.06	49.99	50.16
Extreme/Average	72	30	54	57	2.14	2.86	55.95	49.44
4. West-Central								
Leesville	72	(28)	57	58	4.20	4.72	40.73	49.24
LSU-Rosepine	73	29	58	58	2.91	3.31	40.07	50.63
Natchitoches	75	38	58	57	3.53	4.14	49.26	46.89
Extreme/Average	75	28	58	58	3.55	4.02	40.40	48.14
5. Central								
Alexandria	69	33	56	59	2.49	2.95	44.78	52.45
Brusly	80	31	59	59	0.55	0.87	52.88	55.47
Bunkie	74	32	57	59	1.04	1.74	53.93	53.07
LSU-Alexandria	72	34	57	58	2.29	3.06	56.14	51.13
Extreme/Average	80	31	57	59	1.59	1.85	53.41	52.62
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	76	34	58	MM	0.73	1.21	45.08	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	80	35	60	60	0.67	0.88	49.68	54.09
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	58	M.MM	0.39	40.41	55.34
LSU-Hammond	75	32	58	59	0.61	0.63	52.05	56.45
Slidell	79	35	61	61	0.78	1.07	54.21	55.65
Extreme/Average	80	32	59	60	0.70	0.95	50.26	56.54
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	73	33	59	59	2.47	2.57	46.23	52.25
Jennings	79	34	60	60	2.36	3.05	49.52	53.08
LSU-Crowley	79	34	60	61	1.53	1.89	48.34	52.86
Extreme/Average	79	33	59	61	2.12	2.47	48.93	53.83
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	79	36	61	61	1.02	1.28	45.12	54.82
LSU-Jeanerette	(81)	35	61	60	1.35	1.56	54.91	55.42
Morgan City	75	39	60	62	0.31	0.74	46.35	58.22
Extreme/Average	81	35	61	62	0.89	1.19	54.91	56.05
9. Southeast								
Galliano	81	40	64	63	0.01	1.26	56.80	59.40
Houma	79	37	62	63	0.07	0.48	52.91	57.19
Terrytown 3S	81	43	65	MM	0.00	0.56	64.68	MM.MM
Reserve	79	38	63	61	0.31	0.85	53.18	57.97
Extreme/Average	81	37	63	63	0.10	0.79	53.05	57.35
State Averages	81	28	58	59	1.70	2.21	49.58	52.42

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through November 16, 2008

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