



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 6.1

Soil moisture supplies: 6 % very short, 36 % short, 53% adequate and 5% surplus

Field Crops Report

Cooler seasonal temperatures continued throughout the state last week. Sugarcane harvest continued to make progress. Wheat producers continued planting. Sweet potato harvest continued with improved quality.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers harvested greenhouse tomatoes, greens, and cabbage. Strawberry harvest was underway while producers treated fields to control disease. Crawfish producers pumped ponds to maintain water levels.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Fall forage plantings have developed slow due to lack of moisture. Pastures were dry and need rain.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2007	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Harvested	99	99	100	100
Pecans	Harvested	66	55	77	70
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	95	92	99	98
Sugarcane	Harvested	46	38	57	56
Winter Wheat	Planted	78	54	66	63
	Emerged	42	23	0	31

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Sugarcane	4	17	45	28	6
Livestock	3	11	39	46	1
Vegetables	5	18	47	29	1
Pasture	6	21	47	24	2

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 11/17/08 TO 11/23/08

	TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	AIR NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	76	28	48	53	0.00	3.06	44.74	45.82
Minden	74	28	45	53	0.00	2.99	42.03	49.16
Mooringsport	75	(23)	47	MM	0.00	3.37	41.33	42.37
Extreme/Average	76	23	47	54	0.00	3.14	42.70	47.07
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	74	25	45	54	0.00	1.80	46.97	49.09
Homer/Hill Farm	73	27	46	52	0.01	2.99	37.96	49.63
ULM-Monroe	75	26	46	54	0.00	2.00	42.93	50.98
Columbia Lock	MM	MM	MM	MM	M.MM	3.54	49.48	52.40
Extreme/Average	75	25	45	54	0.00	2.50	42.93	50.27
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	70	27	45	53	0.00	1.98	55.95	51.99
LSU-St Joseph	70	31	47	56	0.00	3.49	59.21	49.77
LSU-Winnisboro	72	26	45	55	0.00	3.52	55.86	49.71
Tallulah	68	27	46	54	0.00	2.80	49.99	51.43
Extreme/Average	72	26	46	55	0.00	2.95	55.05	50.69
4. West-Central								
Leesville	73	27	49	56	0.00	4.59	40.73	50.57
LSU-Rosepine	(78)	30	49	56	0.00	3.22	40.07	51.92
Natchitoches	76	32	49	55	0.00	3.53	49.25	48.00
Extreme/Average	78	27	49	56	0.00	3.78	43.35	49.33
5. Central								
Alexandria	77	32	49	57	0.00	2.95	44.78	53.85
Brusly	74	30	48	57	0.00	0.68	52.88	56.52
Bunkie	77	29	51	57	0.00	1.09	53.93	54.47
LSU-Alexandria	78	30	49	56	0.00	3.02	56.14	52.68
Extreme/Average	78	29	49	57	0.00	1.57	53.41	53.96
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	76	29	47	MM	0.00	0.78	45.08	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	76	33	50	58	0.00	0.84	49.68	55.28
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	57	M.MM	0.00	40.41	56.53
LSU-Hammond	75	26	47	57	0.00	0.63	52.05	57.64
Slidell	70	33	49	59	0.00	0.92	54.21	56.92
Extreme/Average	76	26	48	58	0.00	0.79	50.26	57.80
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	76	32	50	57	0.00	2.57	46.23	53.56
Jennings	76	34	51	58	0.00	2.56	49.52	54.34
LSU-Crowley	76	33	50	59	0.00	1.83	48.34	54.08
Extreme/Average	76	32	50	59	0.00	2.32	48.93	55.09
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	75	33	50	59	0.00	1.24	45.12	55.94
LSU-Jeanerette	76	36	51	59	0.00	1.38	54.91	56.47
Morgan City	72	34	50	60	0.00	0.58	46.35	59.48
Extreme/Average	76	33	50	60	0.00	1.07	54.91	57.21
9. Southeast								
Galliano	73	37	52	61	0.00	0.61	56.80	60.54
Houma	75	32	50	61	0.01	0.37	52.92	58.32
Terrytown 3S	76	37	52	MM	0.00	0.32	64.68	MM.MM
Reserve	77	38	53	59	0.00	0.84	53.18	59.16
Extreme/Average	77	32	52	61	0.00	0.54	53.05	58.60
State								
State Averages	78	23	49	57	0.00	1.99	49.58	53.66

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through November 23, 2008

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