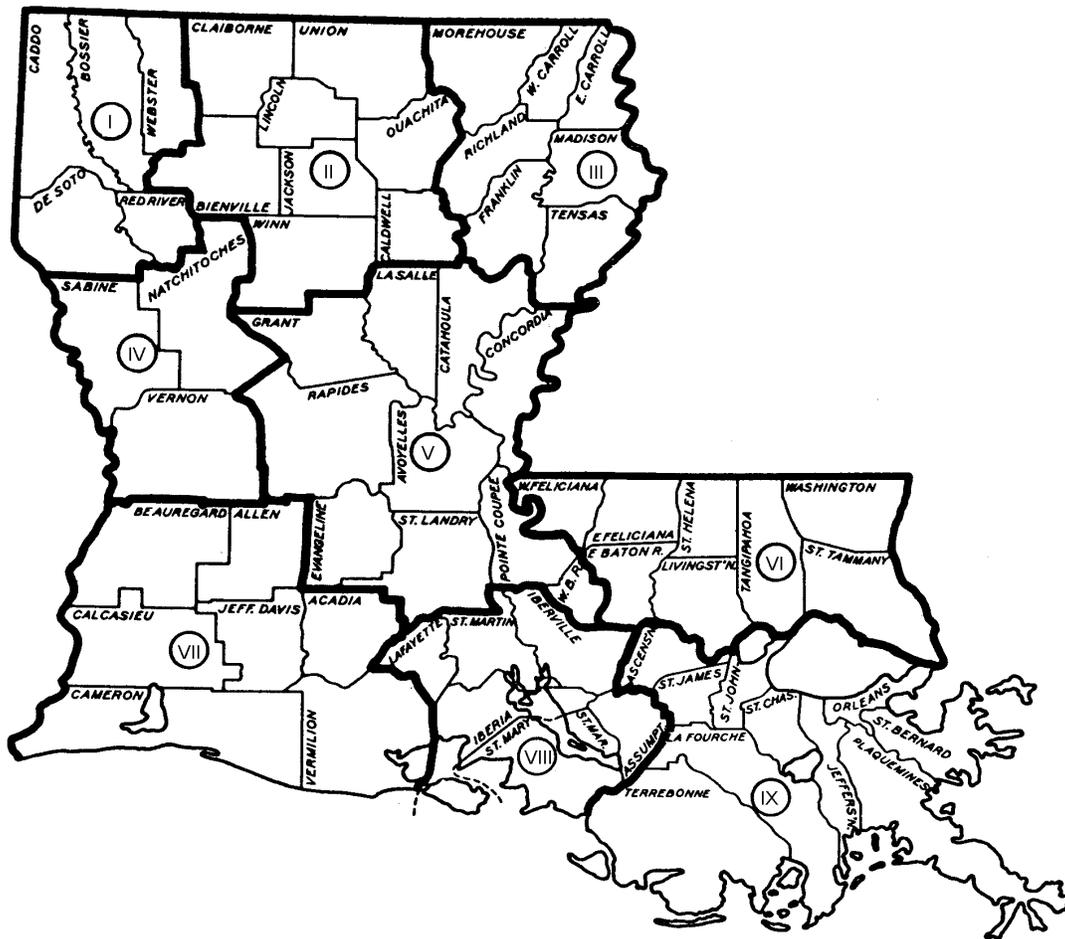


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The 2011 Louisiana Agricultural Statistics bulletin provides a wealth of economic, crop, livestock and weather data for the state as a whole. Additionally, for major commodities, the bulletin provides parish level estimates for the years 2007-2011.

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*Message from Commissioner Strain*

The strength of a community is determined by the success of its farmers. A successful farmer means food is on your table and clothes are on your back. Everyone benefits from agriculture. Our mission at the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) is to promote, protect and advance agriculture and forestry industries.

As an example, I'd like to share an economic development success story that has been in the works for several years.

In July 2012, after years of struggling to secure financing, the newly expanded New Orleans Cold Storage (NOCS) warehouse is now operational. The warehouse is not only an economic development success for the City of New Orleans but also a boon to Louisiana's agricultural industry.

The result: We now have rural communities that will continue to flourish and expand as they deliver their agricultural commodities and products to a thriving city so it can be pushed out to the rest of the world. Yes, Louisiana products are feeding people in such far off places as Rio De Janeiro and Singapore.

NOCS faced many challenges following Hurricane Katrina and operations were scaled back when the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet closed following the hurricane. LDAF stepped in and helped secure \$10 million in disaster funding from the Community Development Block Grant program for the NOCS expansion to maintain an important marketing channel for Louisiana's farmers and ranchers. The total cost of the new 142,000 square foot

warehouse at the Port of New Orleans Henry Clay Avenue Wharf was \$40 million. The facility can store and freeze millions of pounds of perishable commodities and it is a major exporter of meat products.

This success story would not be complete if it did not benefit all of Louisiana. NOCS will store chicken from farmers in Arcadia, Farmerville and Natchitoches for shipment to overseas markets. The expansion of the NOCS will ensure these homegrown products are the freshest and best available for market. From an economic standpoint, this facility provides jobs for residents, helps maintain our poultry industry and benefits our ports. Agriculture is the biggest industry in our state and this is a "win-win" for both rural and urban areas. LDAF is committed to supporting our farmers and the industries that feed Louisianan's as well as people around the world.

While poultry production continues to be Louisiana's largest animal industry, valued at more than \$1.6 billion, the state's agricultural industry is diverse in what it produces, from rice and sweet potatoes, to soybeans and corn, to beef and milk, and the best fruits and vegetables grown anywhere. So whether it's a large farm or a small family operation, always support what is grown locally. With that said, be sure to visit your local farmers market. You will find safe, affordable, fresh supplies of fruits, vegetables, meats and seafood. It's a healthier alternative to the fast food we find so convenient in our fast-paced lives.

The great strength of Louisiana is its incredible diversity and nowhere is that seen more than in Louisiana's farmers and ranchers and what they produce. Their bounty benefits not only our own rural areas, but our cities and the world beyond.

This is why agricultural statistics are so valuable and critical to our overall mission. Crucial decisions are made based on this data/information that sets the priorities for ongoing and future programs and direction.

Very truly yours,

Mike Strain, D.V.M.  
Commissioner



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Early ideal weather conditions in Louisiana marked a mixed growing season in 2011. Moisture supplies early in the spring aided producers in getting early season crops planted. Dry weather patterns began to surface before all planting could be completed with producers postponing completion of early season crops until soil moisture conditions were adequate. Crops experienced signs of water shortage throughout the growing season including some crop development problems. Soil moisture for most of the growing season was mostly short to very short. During droughts, crops usually mature at a faster pace than normal with lower yields and this was evident during the 2011 crop season.

Rice producers had an exceptional year in 2011 setting the state yield record at 6,320 pounds per acre. Producers got the needed rainfall to offset any chances of salt water problems that hindered the crop last year. The ratoon "second" crop production was reported to be in good condition as the final yield indicated that few problems occurred for this crop. Sweet potato producers experienced a mostly normal year with yields slightly down from last year's crop. Grain crops across the board had good yields and exceptional prices for the 2011 year. Prices for sugarcane also held above the 2010 crop as producers benefited from the tight sweetener market. Cow-calf operators continued to realize a 'good' return as calf prices remained high in 2011.

We thank all Louisianans who have participated in the March, June, September and December Agricultural Surveys, Monthly Crop Yield Surveys, January and July Cattle Surveys, Cotton Objective Yield Survey, January Sheep and Goat Survey along with a number of other surveys conducted on an annual basis. Producers were under tremendous amount of stress making decisions on whether or not to plant crops or which crops to plant depending on land conditions and crop prices. USDA-NASS, Louisiana Field Office was able to provide valuable information to producers during critical decision-making periods because of your cooperation on the annual and monthly surveys that are conducted by this office.

Data included in this publication represent numerous agricultural, and economic surveys completed by a multitude of Louisiana producers over the years. Without the cooperation of agricultural producers, agri-business and private industry these data series would not be possible. Thank you again for your participation.

The Louisiana Field Office is a state office within the National Agricultural Statistics Service which is the agency charged with providing agricultural statistics for the United States Department of Agriculture.

Nathan L. Crisp  
Director

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## Gross Farm Income, Expenses, and Net Income: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Item	2008	2009	2010	2011
-----Million Dollars-----				
Cash Receipts, from Farm Marketings +	3,004.1	2,707.8	3,082.2	3,460.6
Direct Government Payments <sup>1</sup> +	219.1	247.5	209.7	210.1
Other Farm Income <sup>2</sup> +	173.5	134.6	131.2	158.5
Non-Cash Income <sup>3</sup> +	182.2	199.1	183.7	190.4
Value of Inventory Adjustment <sup>4</sup> + (-)	(74.6)	(60.0)	(65.2)	(35.6)
Gross Value Added Farm Income <sup>5</sup>	3,504.3	3,229.0	3,541.6	3,984.0
Production Expenses (-)	2,708.6	2,395.2	2,632.1	2,798.4
Net Farm Income <sup>5</sup>	795.7	833.8	909.5	1,185.6

<sup>1</sup> Direct government payments minus motor vehicle registration, licensing fees and property taxes.

<sup>2</sup> Includes machine hire, custom work, forest products sold and other farm income.

<sup>3</sup> Includes the rental value of housing provided by farm dwellings and the value of farm products consumed directly in farm dwellings.

<sup>4</sup> The estimated physical change in livestock and crops owned by farmers, valued at average prices prevailing during the year.

<sup>5</sup> Totals may not add (subtract) due to rounding.

## Farm Production Expenses: Louisiana, 2008-2011<sup>1</sup>

Item	2008	2009	2010	2011
-----Million Dollars-----				
Feed Purchases	281.3	187.5	233.6	309.4
Livestock & Poultry Purchased	44.1	35.8	38.3	38.9
Seed Purchased	164.1	153.2	177.8	199.7
Fertilizer & Lime	271.5	225.4	234.6	253.0
Pesticides	205.7	237.8	225.0	260.3
Petroleum Fuel & Oils	215.7	172.8	185.0	213.0
Electricity	37.9	42.0	40.0	40.0
Repair & Maintenance	114.6	105.9	147.1	130.8
Contract & Hired Labor	202.9	192.6	193.2	165.9
Capital Consumption	294.3	309.1	314.1	328.2
Net Rent (to Non-operator landlords)	166.2	175.9	216.2	155.9
Interest (Real estate & Non-real estate)	152.9	148.6	143.1	143.1
Other Miscellaneous <sup>2</sup>	343.2	408.6	484.1	560.2
Total Production Expenses <sup>3</sup>	2,494.4	2,395.2	2,632.1	2,798.4

<sup>1</sup> Includes expenses related to operators' dwellings located on farms.

<sup>2</sup> Includes machine hire and custom work plus marketing, storage and transportation expenses, and miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>3</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding.

## Cash Receipts from Farm Marketings by Commodity: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011
-----Million Dollars-----				
<b>All Commodities</b>	<b>3,004,086</b>	<b>2,707,785</b>	<b>3,082,168</b>	<b>3,460,570</b>
<b>Total Crops</b>	<b>1,984,590</b>	<b>1,838,235</b>	<b>2,103,327</b>	<b>2,402,228</b>
Corn	394,441	291,585	306,458	472,358
Cotton (Lint & Seed)	124,905	91,571	191,084	242,383
Fruits and Nuts	30,850	34,090	26,315	24,395
Hay (All)	22,000	22,230	22,468	23,820
Pecans	4,750	8,125	29,275	16,000
Rice	399,929	364,321	356,387	364,683
Sorghum Grain	56,384	14,627	14,115	43,359
Soybeans	260,180	379,945	457,518	406,533
Sugarcane	338,896	404,641	502,902	515,687
Sweet Potatoes	32,909	26,136	41,150	44,094
Winter Wheat	163,625	60,980	26,631	104,805
Other Crops (All) <sup>1</sup>	155,721	139,984	129,024	144,111
<b>Total Livestock &amp; Products</b>	<b>1,019,496</b>	<b>869,549</b>	<b>978,841</b>	<b>1,058,342</b>
Aquaculture	179,948	167,405	219,899	258,125
Cattle & Calves	191,012	197,932	194,731	227,616
Dairy Products	64,377	37,914	41,400	49,713
Poultry/Eggs	541,075	422,035	483,746	483,193
Hogs	1,709	1,024	1,381	2,827
Other Livestock & Products (All) <sup>2</sup>	41,375	43,259	37,684	36,868

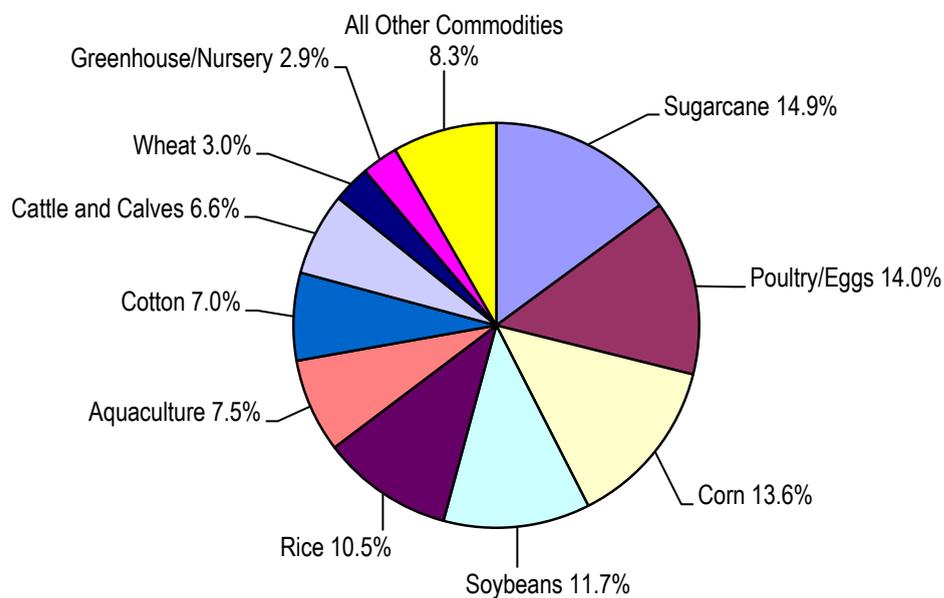
<sup>1</sup> Includes sunflowers, cucumbers, green peppers, tomatoes, other vegetables, berries, miscellaneous fruits and nuts, forestry products and other field crops.

<sup>2</sup> Includes horses, honey, wool and all other livestock.

### Cash Receipts from Sales: Louisiana, 2011

Rank	Commodity	Cash Receipts Dollars	Percent of Total
1	Sugarcane	515,687,000	14.9
2	Poultry/Eggs	483,193,000	14.0
3	Corn	472,358,000	13.6
4	Soybeans	406,533,000	11.7
5	Rice	364,683,000	10.5
6	Aquaculture	258,125,000	7.5
7	Cotton	242,383,000	7.0
8	Cattle and Calves	227,616,000	6.6
9	Wheat	104,805,000	3.0
10	Greenhouse/Nursery	99,795,000	2.9
	All Other Commodities	285,392,000	8.3
<b>Total Cash Receipts</b>		<b>3,460,570,000</b>	

### Louisiana Cash Receipts by Commodity



### Farm Numbers, Cash Rents and Land Values: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Item	Unit	2008	2009	2010	2011
Farms	Number	30,000	30,000	29,500	29,000
Land in Farms	Acres	8,050,000	8,050,000	8,000,000	7,950,000
Average Size of Farm	Acres	268	268	271	274
Cash Rent for Irrigated Cropland	Dollars/Acre	97	85	87	89
Cash Rent for Non-Irrigated Cropland	Dollars/Acre	67	66	66	67
Cash Rent for Pasture	Dollars/Acre	27	16	16	14
Land Value for Irrigated Cropland	Dollars/Acre	1,560	1,500	1,700	1,850
Land Value for Non-Irrigated Cropland	Dollars/Acre	1,890	1,800	1,830	2,000
Land Value for Pasture	Dollars/Acre	2,060	2,100	2,100	2,200

### Trends in Farmland Acreage, Use and Value: Louisiana, 1992-2007

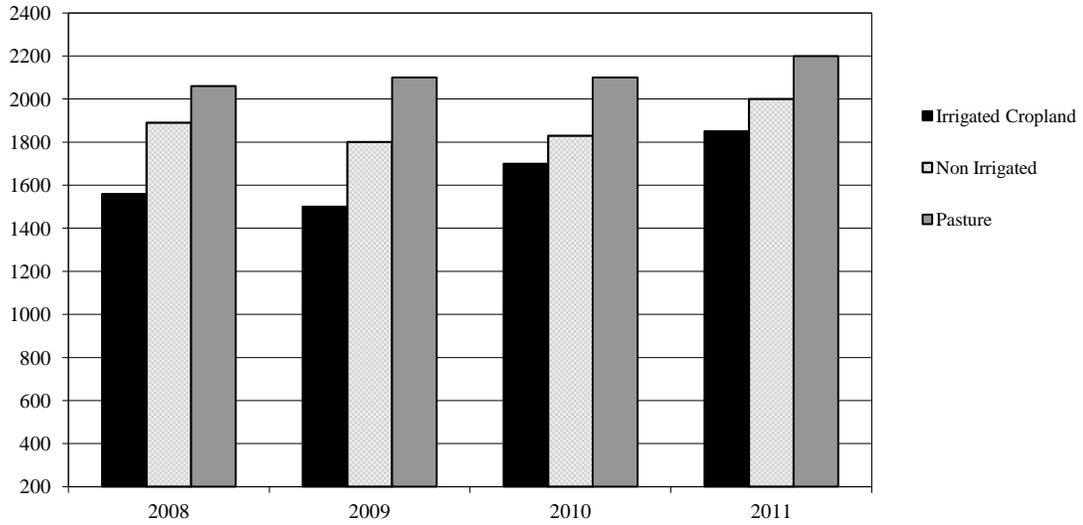
Item	Unit	1992 <sup>1</sup>	1997 <sup>2</sup>	2002 <sup>2</sup>	2007 <sup>2</sup>
Farms	Number	25,652	30,425	27,413	30,106
Land in Farms	Acres	7,837,545	8,367,843	7,830,664	8,109,975
Average Size of Farm	Acres	306	275	286	269
Average Per Farm Value of Land & Bldg	Dollars	291,332	338,828	444,007	554,270
Average Per Acre Value of Land & Bldg	Dollars	972	1,236	1,534	2,058
Total Cropland	Acres	5,552,733	5,567,627	5,071,537	4,691,344
Harvested Cropland	Acres	3,810,690	4,022,664	3,332,146	3,342,048
Cropland Used for Pasture or Grazing	Acres	876,372	908,024	841,621	635,317
All Other Cropland	Acres	865,671	636,939	897,770	713,979
Irrigated Land	Acres	897,641	960,831	938,841	954,353
Farms, Under 10 Acres	Number	1,934	2,525	2,526	3,282
Farms, 10-179 Acres	Number	14,786	19,018	16,866	18,851
Farms, 180-1,999 Acres	Number	7,024	6,775	6,030	6,051
Farms, 2,000 Acres & Over	Number	1,345	1,386	1,253	1,103
Farms by Tenure of Operator, Full Owner	Number	563	721	738	819
Farms by Tenure of Operator, Part-Owner	Number	13,751	17,769	17,184	20,472
Farms by Tenure of Operator, Tenants	Number	8,018	8,753	7,358	7,024

<sup>1</sup> From The Census of Agriculture, 1992 Department of Commerce, Census Bureau. 1992 totals unadjusted for non-coverage and non-response.

<sup>2</sup> The Census of Agriculture, 1997, 2002 and 2007, Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, totals adjusted for non-coverage and non-response. NASS annual estimates in the top table are rounded while Census coverage and non-coverage adjusted totals are "raw".

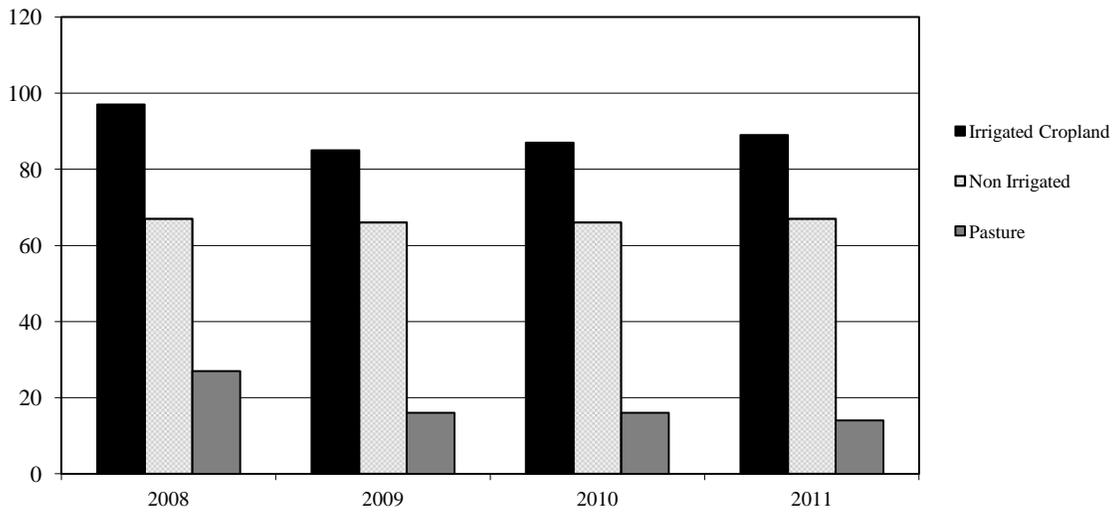
### Land Values for Cropland and Pasture: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Dollars Per Acre



### Cash Rents for Cropland and Pasture: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Dollars per Acre



### Monthly Crop Prices – Cotton Lint, Rice and Soybeans: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Season Average
<i><b>Cotton Lint</b></i> (Cents per Pound)													
<b>2008</b>	60.50	64.30	64.30	64.70	67.50	65.50	66.70	52.90	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	52.00	44.90	<b>52.40</b>
<b>2009</b>	45.50	45.60	40.00	40.80	41.50	41.70	42.70	<u>1/</u>	57.00	60.90	64.20	60.10	<b>62.80</b>
<b>2010</b>	60.30	61.20	63.30	65.80	67.30	67.50	1/	1/	74.00	77.30	91.40	72.90	<b>81.00</b>
<b>2011</b>	76.40	80.20	1/	81.60	81.90	82.30	82.50	1/	93.40	92.40	92.30	88.60	<b>92.00</b>
<i><b>Rice</b></i> (Dollars per Cwt)													
<b>2008</b>	11.80	12.70	14.30	15.30	16.80	17.80	16.30	16.70	16.70	17.80	17.40	17.40	<b>15.40</b>
<b>2009</b>	15.60	15.50	13.20	12.80	12.80	12.50	12.00	12.40	12.90	12.60	13.20	13.30	<b>13.00</b>
<b>2010</b>	13.70	14.00	13.90	13.00	13.30	11.50	12.80	10.40	10.40	10.90	11.30	12.20	<b>11.90</b>
<b>2011</b>	12.60	12.90	12.80	12.40	12.20	11.70	12.30	12.80	14.10	14.50	14.60	14.50	<b>13.70</b>
<i><b>Soybeans</b></i> (Dollars per Bushel)													
<b>2008</b>	8.89	9.31	11.60	11.70	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	11.00	9.85	9.89	9.22	9.59	9.12	<b>9.52</b>
<b>2009</b>	9.54	9.44	9.12	9.38	10.80	11.30	<u>1/</u>	10.10	9.72	9.51	9.60	9.41	<b>9.66</b>
<b>2010</b>	9.99	9.44	1/	9.32	9.06	7.68	9.90	9.75	10.10	10.80	12.10	10.30	<b>10.50</b>
<b>2011</b>	10.90	12.50	13.30	12.00	12.80	12.50	12.30	11.80	12.00	12.00	11.90	11.70	<b>11.90</b>

<sup>1</sup> Data not published due to insufficient sales.

### Season Average Price - Selected Commodities: Louisiana, 2008 - 2011

Item	Unit	2008	2009	2010	2011
-----Dollars per Unit-----					
Corn for Grain	Bushel	4.45	3.55	4.90	6.10
All Hay	Ton	87.00	102.00	95.00	156.00
Sorghum for Grain	Cwt	6.90	5.70	6.90	10.20
Sugarcane for Sugar	Ton	29.10	31.30	45.20	1/
Sweet Potatoes	Cwt	18.30	18.10	19.20	17.60
Winter Wheat	Bushels	5.50	4.70	4.80	7.05

<sup>1</sup> Data not available until February 2013.

## Livestock Prices Received - Monthly and Season Average Prices: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Season Average
<b><u>Beef Cattle</u></b> (Dollars per Cwt) <sup>1</sup>													
<b>2008</b>	59.30	65.30	64.20	63.20	65.70	64.10	66.20	68.80	63.30	58.20	52.30	51.00	<b>62.60</b>
<b>2009</b>	55.60	54.10	54.10	58.90	59.80	55.30	57.00	57.80	55.20	53.50	52.60	53.50	<b>55.50</b>
<b>2010</b>	56.90	61.10	64.10	68.60	68.20	66.80	69.30	70.50	65.50	64.40	66.30	66.50	<b>65.20</b>
<b>2011</b>	<u>2/</u>												
<b><u>Calves</u></b> (Dollars per Cwt)													
<b>2008</b>	100.00	109.00	108.00	100.00	103.00	97.40	98.80	102.00	99.50	91.00	90.30	84.20	<b>99.50</b>
<b>2009</b>	94.00	93.00	91.20	98.30	97.40	93.30	92.50	93.30	89.40	89.70	89.30	94.30	<b>93.20</b>
<b>2010</b>	96.70	98.80	108.00	114.00	110.00	106.00	111.00	111.00	103.00	100.00	103.00	107.00	<b>106.00</b>
<b>2011</b>	<u>2/</u>												
<b><u>Steers and Heifers</u></b> (Dollars per Cwt)													
<b>2008</b>	87.40	98.70	95.20	89.70	94.00	89.60	90.70	93.10	86.10	78.40	76.20	73.50	<b>88.60</b>
<b>2009</b>	83.00	79.70	81.70	88.70	89.10	84.40	84.50	85.30	81.30	77.20	76.80	77.80	<b>82.90</b>
<b>2010</b>	83.80	89.30	96.50	101.00	98.60	95.80	98.50	96.60	91.50	90.50	93.40	96.20	<b>94.40</b>
<b>2011</b>	<u>2/</u>												
<b><u>Cows</u></b> (Dollars per Cwt) <sup>3</sup>													
<b>2008</b>	47.20	52.30	52.20	52.40	53.00	52.70	53.60	54.50	49.90	46.30	38.90	40.40	<b>50.30</b>
<b>2009</b>	43.80	44.10	43.40	46.70	46.70	42.20	42.90	41.70	39.90	39.60	39.00	42.10	<b>42.70</b>
<b>2010</b>	45.40	50.20	51.50	55.40	54.50	53.80	54.30	55.20	50.20	49.00	51.00	52.50	<b>51.50</b>
<b>2011</b>	<u>2/</u>												
<b><u>Milk Cows</u></b> (Dollars per Cwt) <sup>4</sup>													
<b>2008</b>													<b>1,750</b>
<b>2009</b>													<b>1,400</b>
<b>2010</b>													<b>1,320</b>
<b>2011</b>													<b>1,400</b>

<sup>1</sup> Cows and steers and heifers combined.

<sup>2</sup> Estimates discontinued in January 2011.

<sup>3</sup> Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

<sup>4</sup> Cows sold for dairy herd replacement, season average price only.

## Index of Prices Received by Farmers: United States, 2008-2011

1990-92=100

Item	2008	2009	2010	2011
Food Grains	259	186	177	239
Feed Grains and Hay	206	162	165	252
Cotton	100	81	117	145
Oil Bearing Crops	202	177	172	223
All Fruit and Nuts	149	134	148	158
All Commercial Vegetables	151	161	162	169
Potatoes and Dry Beans	157	150	140	175
All Crops	169	150	153	202
Meat Animals	117	106	123	151
Dairy Products	140	98	125	154
Poultry and Eggs	151	139	152	152
All Livestock and Products	130	112	130	152
All Farm Products	149	131	141	178

## Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, Wage Rates and Parity Ratio<sup>1</sup>: United States, 2008-2011

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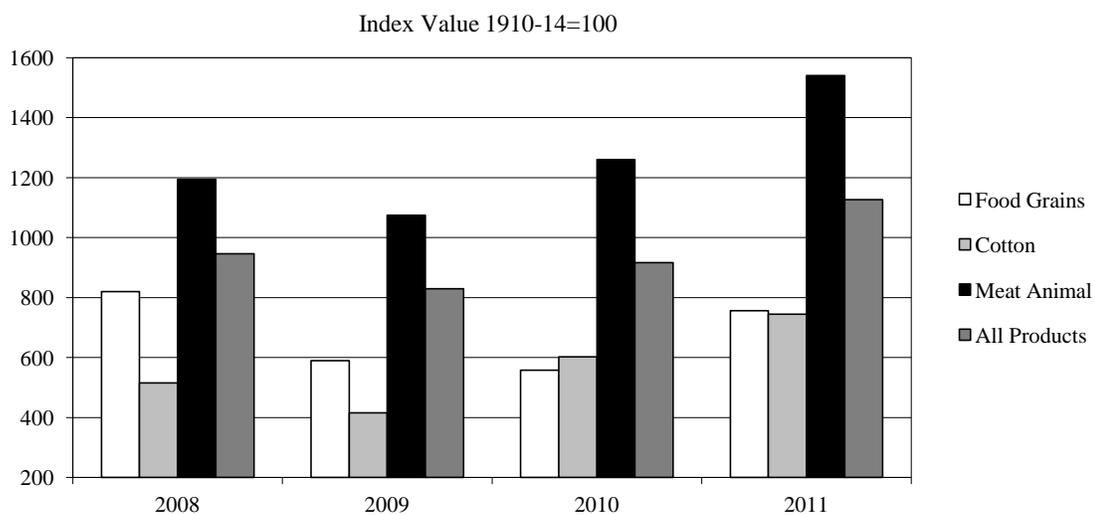
Item	2008	2009	2010	2011
Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates	183	178	183	203
Production Items	190	182	188	215
Interest	149	137	132	135
Taxes	209	204	211	222
Wage Rates	183	188	189	192
Production Items, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates	188	181	187	209
Parity Ratio <sup>1</sup>	82	74	77	88

<sup>1</sup> Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers for All Farm Products to Index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates.

**Index of Prices Received by Farmers: United States, 2008-2011**  
**1910-14=100**

Item	2008	2009	2010	2011
Food Grains	820	590	560	756
Feed Grains and Hay	734	579	587	900
Cotton	515	416	601	745
Oil Bearing Crops	1,107	971	944	1,225
All Fruit and Nuts	1,038	934	1,031	1,102
All Commercial Vegetables	1,076	1,153	1,161	1,208
Potatoes and Dry Beans	797	761	708	889
All Crops	836	743	758	1,001
Meat Animals	1,195	1,075	1,256	1,540
Dairy Products	1,128	790	1,000	1,239
Poultry and Eggs	424	390	427	427
All Livestock and Products	1,000	857	996	1,167
All Farm Products	947	829	895	1,127

**Index of Prices Received by Farmers for Selected Items: United States, 2008-2011**



## Weather Review: Louisiana, 2011

Louisiana's weather highlights for 2011 featured drought, an active severe weather season, the hottest summer on record in Louisiana, and coastal flooding from Tropical Storm Lee. Statewide, annual temperature averaged 67.7° F. which was 0.4° F below normal.

**January:** The month of January in Louisiana was cold and dry. Rainfall in the southern portion of the state was well below normal, while the rainfall in the northern portion was closer to normal. In fact, the northeast and west central regions had slightly above normal rainfall totals for the month. A front crossed the state on January 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, producing snow and freezing rain in the northwestern parishes. Louisiana's temperature averaged 38°F for January, 10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> which was an amazing 11°F below normal.

**February:** The first half of the month was extremely cold, which was counter balanced by a warm two weeks to close out the month. On the first, a front brought severe weather to the state. A tornado was reported north of Many, LA and wind damage was reported in 16 parishes. Also in the first week of the month, a storm brought an icy mix of precipitation to the state, mostly in the form of sleet and freezing rain. Another severe weather event occurred at the end of the month, producing one tornado and some wind damage. Statewide rainfall for the month was nearly three inches below normal, worsening the drought conditions.

**March:** The highlight of the month was severe weather. There were 19 tornadoes in the month of March, spawned from three separate outbreaks. Despite the amount of severe weather that occurred, statewide rainfall for the month was still 1.5 inches below normal.

**April:** The month of April had two of the largest severe and most devastating weather outbreaks the Southeast has experienced in recent history. The first outbreak occurred at the beginning of the month and produced 12 tornadoes in the state. The second severe weather outbreak occurred at the end of the month and produced at least 23 tornadoes in the state.

**May:** The month of May brought an interesting situation of both flood and drought occurring at the same time. The flooding occurred on the Mississippi River, resulting from heavy rains in the Central United States arriving here via the river. However, Louisiana was left high and dry—at least regarding rainfall for agricultural fields as well as lawns and gardens. Severe weather continued into the month of May and many tornadoes were recorded in the state.

**June:** The month started out very hot. High temperatures even exceeded 100°, breaking records statewide. Certain locations in central Louisiana, such as Elmer and Alexandria received over five inches in a single day on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Despite this and the fact that there were many raindays in June, rainfall for the month was still 2.64 inches below normal.

**July:** The month began with heat and severe drought conditions. The city of Mooringsport reached 105°F on the ninth. Convective showers were prevalent the second half of the month, providing some relief for drought conditions in the southern part of the state. Statewide precipitation averaged 5.9 inches for the month, which was 0.9 inches above normal.

**August:** The highlight of the month of August was extreme heat throughout the state. During the first few weeks of the month, heat index values of 105°F to 115°F were common, and the 115° was even exceeded in some locations. Statewide temperature averaged 87°F, which was 5°F above normal. Drought conditions continued to worsen in the month of August.

**September:** The first and only tropical activity of the year for Louisiana occurred in September. On the first of September, a tropical wave formed in the southern Gulf, and by the second of September there was a Tropical Depression sitting nearly stationary along the Louisiana coast. Winds were strong enough in the state to bring down tree limbs and cause damage to power lines in many of the southern parishes. On the third of September it bloomed into Tropical Storm Lee, just offshore near Vermilion Bay. A tornado was reported in Lafayette Parish, and wind damage was reported in St. Bernard that may also have been a tornado. Tropical Storm Lee made landfall near on the fourth of September just south of New Iberia and moved north very slowly through the fifth of September. With the storm's slow movement, rainfall totals were impressive all across south Louisiana, but especially in southeastern Louisiana where between 10-15 inches of rain fell.

**October:** The month of October was extremely dry. Statewide precipitation averaged 0.9 inches, which was 3.1 inches below normal. Rainfall amounts were deficient everywhere, but opposite of September, were more abundant in northern Parishes and most deficient in the Southeast.

**November:** Severe weather season returned to Louisiana in the month of November. At least 11 tornadoes were spawned from two different storm systems that moved through the state. A meaningful rain event occurred on November 21<sup>st</sup> with a cold front situated to the northwest of Louisiana, which then crossed the state on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. This event produced between one and two inches of rain over a large portion of Louisiana, with 2.45 inches logged at Opelousas for the highest total in this event.

**December:** Roller-coaster temperatures marked December as several fronts crossed the state, ushering in very cold temperatures. The month of December had abundant rainfall in the northern portion of the state, but drought conditions worsened in the southern portion. A rainfall event on the sixth and seventh of December produced heavy rains across northern Parishes of the state. There were numerous sites in the region that recorded over three inches of rainfall, with the wettest location – Farmerville – logging 4.96 inches for the event. The year ended with most of the state still suffering from drought.

## Average Temperature and Precipitation Summary: Louisiana, 2011<sup>1</sup>

District		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
<b>Temperature (Degrees Fahrenheit)</b>														
Northwest	2011	43.4	49.9	59.3	69.6	72.7	85.3	87.9	90.6	77.2	66.0	57.8	47.4	67.26
	Norm $\pm$	-1.7	0.2	2.5	5.6	0.9	6.5	5.7	9.0	1.6	1.1	1.7	0.0	2.29
North Central	2011	42.5	48.9	57.7	67.8	71.3	83.9	84.7	87.0	74.8	63.4	56.5	46.2	65.39
	Norm $\pm$	-2.5	-0.8	0.7	3.8	-0.6	5.1	2.7	5.8	-0.6	-1.2	0.8	0.8	0.85
Northeast	2011	43.9	50.9	58.8	69.2	72.5	83.7	85.1	86.1	74.9	63.7	58.1	48.1	66.25
	Norm $\pm$	-1.5	1.0	1.4	4.6	-0.1	4.3	2.8	4.6	-1.0	-1.7	1.5	0.0	1.12
West Central	2011	45.1	51.1	60.5	70.2	73.4	84.1	84.8	88.4	76.8	66.9	58.8	48.7	67.40
	Norm $\pm$	-1.8	-0.1	2.3	5.5	1.1	5.3	3.0	7.2	0.9	1.6	1.3	-0.6	1.74
Central	2011	46.8	52.2	62.2	70.6	74.3	84.1	84.3	87.3	76.2	65.8	58.8	50.5	67.76
	Norm $\pm$	-1.9	-0.5	2.5	4.4	0.5	4.3	2.0	5.6	-0.8	-1.2	0.0	-0.3	0.97
East Central	2011	47.1	53.3	62.8	69.7	73.4	82.5	82.4	84.4	75.2	64.6	59.6	53.3	67.36
	Norm $\pm$	-3.0	-0.2	2.6	3.4	-0.3	3.1	0.8	3.2	-1.9	-2.7	0.4	1.1	0.33
Southwest	2011	48.7	53.1	64.0	71.4	74.8	83.9	83.7	86.6	77.3	67.4	60.8	53.0	68.73
	Norm $\pm$	-2.0	-1.2	3.0	4.2	0.2	3.8	1.6	4.8	-0.4	-1.1	-0.1	0.1	0.78
South Central	2011	48.8	53.8	64.7	71.1	74.4	83.2	82.5	85.2	76.0	66.6	61.3	54.5	68.51
	Norm $\pm$	-3.0	-1.2	3.3	3.5	-0.5	3.0	0.4	3.4	-2.0	-2.4	0.2	0.6	0.30
Southeast	2011	50.8	55.8	66.7	73.2	76.7	84.5	84.1	86.6	78.8	69.9	64.7	58.4	70.85
	Norm $\pm$	-2.2	-0.3	4.5	5.1	1.3	4.0	1.7	4.4	0.0	-0.1	2.0	-2.8	1.55
Statewide	2011	<b>46.3</b>	<b>52.1</b>	<b>61.9</b>	<b>70.3</b>	<b>73.7</b>	<b>83.9</b>	<b>84.4</b>	<b>86.9</b>	<b>76.4</b>	<b>66.0</b>	<b>59.6</b>	<b>51.1</b>	<b>67.7</b>
	Norm $\pm$	<b>49.1</b>	<b>52.7</b>	<b>59.3</b>	<b>66.3</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>79.9</b>	<b>82.2</b>	<b>82.1</b>	<b>77.0</b>	<b>67.4</b>	<b>58.7</b>	<b>50.8</b>	<b>68.1</b>
<b>Precipitation (Inches)</b>														
Northwest	2011	4.49	2.46	1.08	3.69	2.42	1.48	1.62	0.86	1.41	1.46	4.65	7.81	33.43
	Norm $\pm$	-0.50	-1.94	-3.55	-0.90	-2.60	-3.41	-2.32	-2.04	-1.98	-2.94	-0.18	2.71	-19.34
North Central	2011	5.63	2.62	1.43	5.72	2.34	2.44	3.16	1.60	2.08	1.77	4.14	9.41	42.34
	Norm $\pm$	-0.18	-2.16	-4.14	0.67	-3.20	2.31	-0.76	-1.45	-1.59	-2.47	-1.04	3.84	-14.22
Northeast	2011	6.52	2.63	4.46	6.94	1.50	2.09	2.99	1.27	3.86	1.04	4.27	7.99	45.56
	Norm $\pm$	0.52	-2.35	-1.74	1.26	-4.10	-2.35	-0.76	-1.73	0.81	-2.93	-0.97	2.27	-10.93
West Central	2011	5.78	2.15	1.51	1.44	2.76	3.27	2.82	0.87	3.54	1.56	4.91	1.39	32.00
	Norm $\pm$	0.08	-2.37	-3.67	-3.06	-2.84	-1.40	-1.31	-2.59	-0.02	-2.49	-0.62	-4.58	-24.63
Central	2011	4.91	1.94	5.50	1.55	1.92	3.26	4.32	1.46	8.01	0.72	3.84	5.39	42.82
	Norm $\pm$	-1.39	-2.88	-0.05	-3.50	-3.65	-1.55	-0.31	-2.64	3.68	-3.66	-1.80	-0.44	-17.03
East Central	2011	4.61	2.26	6.94	1.51	1.05	3.85	8.94	3.01	11.12	0.34	3.68	3.23	50.54
	Norm $\pm$	-1.65	-3.06	0.90	-4.10	-4.57	-1.28	2.96	-2.50	6.36	-3.26	-0.66	-2.15	-11.36
Southwest	2011	4.54	1.72	2.53	2.19	1.06	3.80	8.35	1.82	6.01	0.82	3.57	4.17	40.58
	Norm $\pm$	-1.50	-2.24	-1.90	-2.02	-4.59	-2.06	2.49	-3.35	0.54	-3.52	-1.50	-1.16	-20.56
South Central	2011	4.25	1.75	3.76	1.45	0.52	4.75	8.33	2.76	8.36	0.41	3.11	2.14	41.59
	Norm $\pm$	-1.51	-2.53	-0.93	-3.31	-4.58	-1.49	1.51	-3.48	2.72	-3.52	-1.11	-2.98	-20.43
Southeast	2011	3.30	2.00	5.93	0.45	0.70	3.56	11.47	2.42	13.38	0.34	1.75	1.39	46.69
	Norm $\pm$	-2.48	-2.88	0.39	-4.29	-4.43	-2.30	4.50	3.88	7.23	-3.01	-2.24	-3.41	-16.87
Statewide	2011	<b>4.89</b>	<b>2.17</b>	<b>3.68</b>	<b>2.77</b>	<b>1.59</b>	<b>3.17</b>	<b>5.78</b>	<b>1.79</b>	<b>6.42</b>	<b>0.94</b>	<b>3.77</b>	<b>4.77</b>	<b>41.73</b>
	Norm $\pm$	<b>5.20</b>	<b>5.03</b>	<b>4.75</b>	<b>4.37</b>	<b>4.80</b>	<b>5.81</b>	<b>4.99</b>	<b>4.50</b>	<b>4.39</b>	<b>4.82</b>	<b>4.89</b>	<b>5.44</b>	<b>58.99</b>

<sup>1</sup>Norm=1981-2010 Divisional Normals. DFN = Departure from Normal.

Source: Louisiana Office of State Climatology, National Climatic Data Center

## Louisiana Crop Weather, 2011

Soil moisture supply measures how much moisture is present in cropland top soil during the week. Soil moisture is reported as a percentage. The categories very short, short, adequate and surplus must add up to 100%.

**Very Short** - Soil moisture supplies are significantly less than required for normal plant development. Growth would be stopped, or nearly so, and plants would be showing visible signs of moisture stress. Under these conditions, plants would quickly suffer irreparable damage.

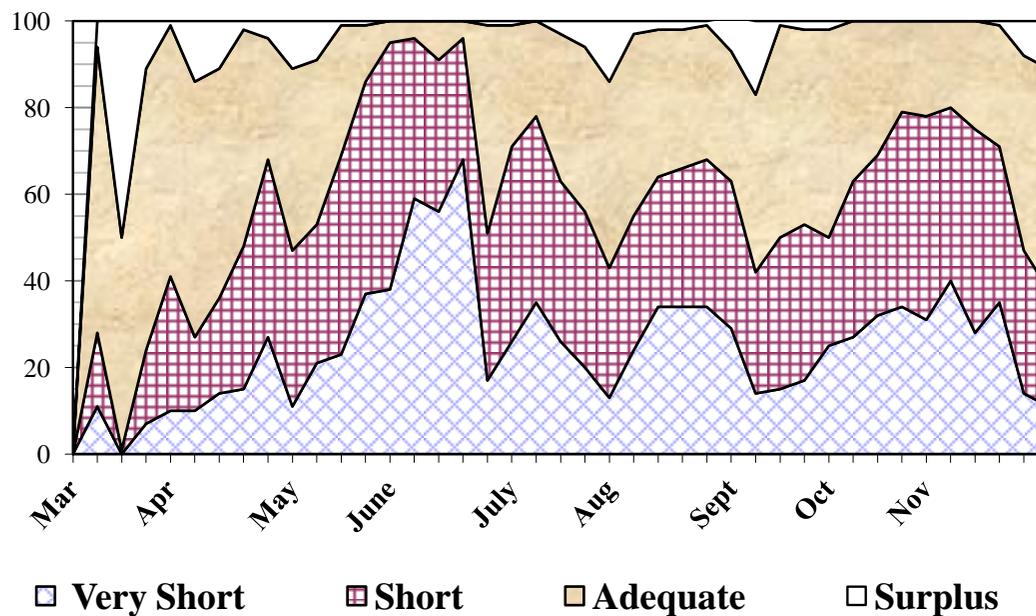
**Short** - Soil dry. Seed germination and/or normal crop growth and development would be curtailed.

**Adequate** - Soil moist. Seed germination and/or crop growth and development would be normal or unhindered.

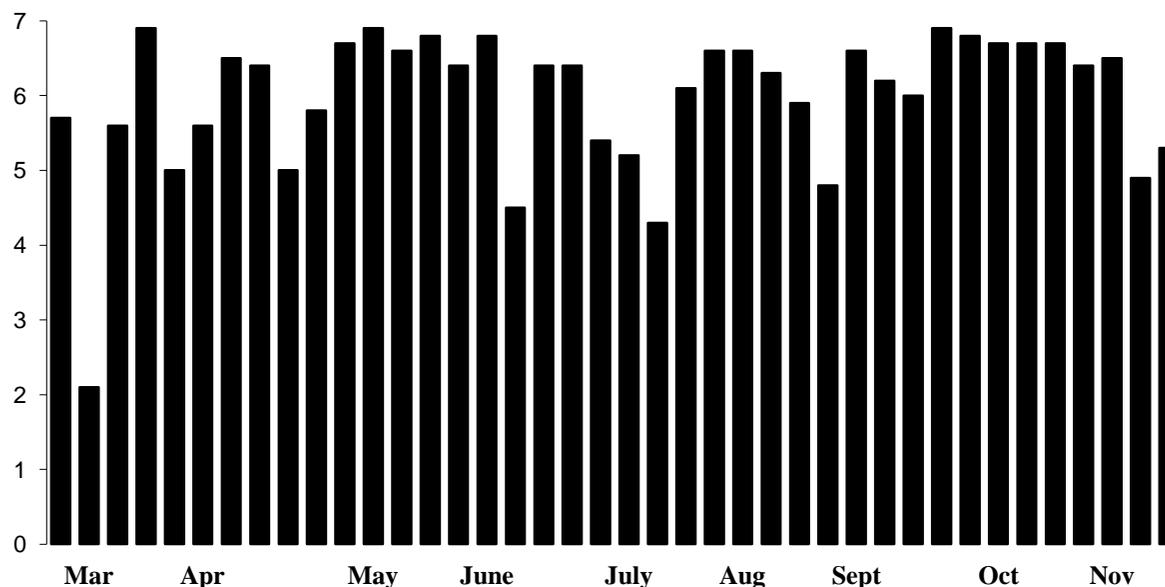
**Surplus** - Soil wet. Fields might be muddy and would generally be unable to absorb additional moisture. Young developing crops might be yellowing from excess moisture.

**Days suitable for fieldwork** measures how many days during the week were “ones where weather and field conditions allowed producers to work in fields for the majority of the day”.

### Soil Moisture Supply



### Days Suitable for Fieldwork



## Soil Moisture Supply and Number of Days Suitable for Fieldwork: Louisiana, 2011<sup>1</sup>

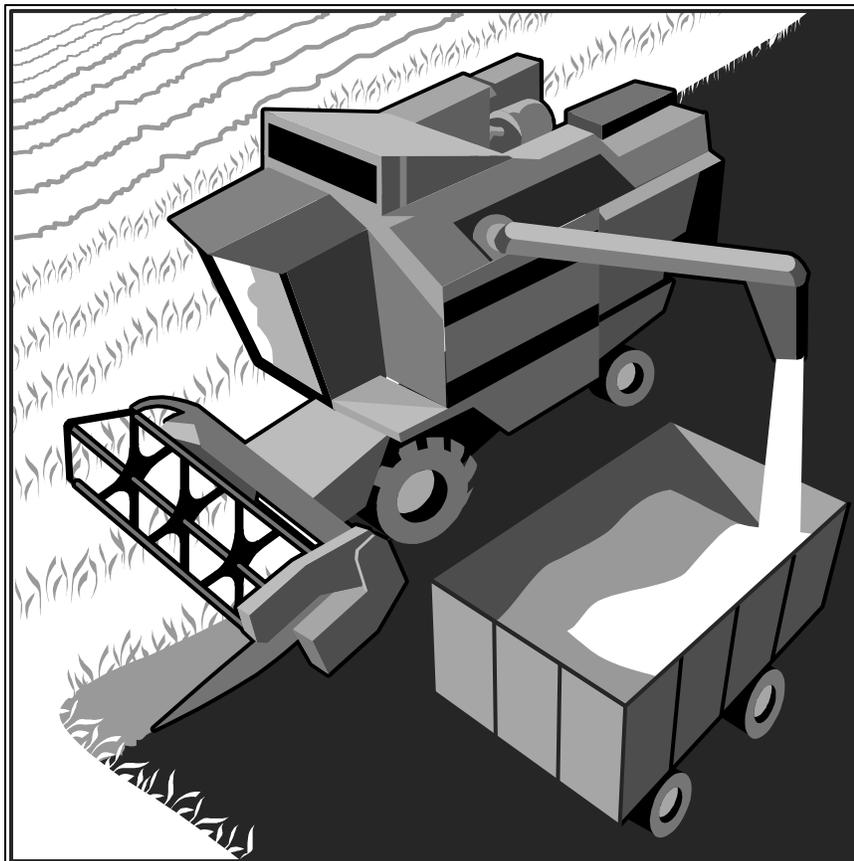
Week	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Number of Days Suitable for Fieldwork
	-----Percent-----				Days
02/28/11 – 03/06/11	11	17	66	6	5.7
03/07/11 – 03/13/11	0	1	49	50	2.1
03/14/11 – 03/20/11	7	17	65	11	5.6
03/21/11 – 03/27/11	10	31	58	1	6.9
03/28/11 – 04/03/11	10	17	59	14	5.0
04/04/11 – 04/10/11	14	22	53	11	5.6
04/11/11 – 04/17/11	15	33	50	2	6.5
04/18/11 – 04/24/11	27	41	28	4	6.4
04/25/11 – 05/01/11	11	36	42	11	5.0
05/02/11 – 05/08/11	21	32	38	9	5.8
05/09/11 – 05/15/11	23	46	30	1	6.7
05/16/11 – 05/22/11	37	49	13	1	6.9
05/23/11 – 05/29/11	38	57	5	0	6.6
05/30/11 – 06/05/11	59	37	4	0	6.8
06/06/11 – 06/12/11	56	35	9	0	6.4
06/13/11 – 06/19/11	68	28	4	0	6.8
06/20/11 – 06/26/11	17	34	48	1	4.5
06/27/11 – 07/03/11	26	45	28	1	6.4
07/04/11 – 07/10/11	35	43	22	0	6.4
07/11/11 – 07/17/11	26	37	34	3	5.4
07/18/11 – 07/24/11	20	36	38	6	5.2
07/25/11 – 07/31/11	13	30	43	14	4.3
08/01/11 – 08/07/11	24	31	42	3	6.1
08/08/11 – 08/14/11	34	30	34	2	6.6
08/15/11 – 08/21/11	34	32	32	2	6.6
08/22/11 – 08/28/11	34	34	31	1	6.3
08/29/11 – 09/04/11	28	34	30	8	5.9
09/05/11 – 09/11/11	14	28	41	17	4.8
09/12/11 – 09/18/11	15	35	49	1	6.6
09/19/11 – 09/25/11	17	36	45	2	6.2
09/26/11 – 10/02/11	25	25	48	2	6.0
10/03/11 – 10/09/11	27	36	37	0	6.9
10/10/11 – 10/16/11	32	37	31	0	6.8
10/17/11 – 10/23/11	34	45	21	0	6.7
10/24/11 – 10/30/11	31	47	22	0	6.7
10/31/11 – 11/06/11	40	40	20	0	6.7
11/07/11 – 11/13/11	28	47	25	0	6.4
11/14/11 – 11/20/11	35	36	28	1	6.5
11/21/11 – 11/27/11	14	33	45	8	4.9
11/28/11 – 12/04/11	11	27	51	11	5.3

<sup>1</sup> A "suitable" day is one during which weather and field conditions would allow producers to work in fields a major portion of the day.

**Planting and Harvesting Dates: Louisiana, 2011**

Crop	2011 Planting Dates			2011 Harvesting Dates		
	Began	Most Active	Ended	Began	Most Active	Ended
Corn	13-Mar	Mar 20-Apr 3	17-Apr	24-Jul	Jul 31-Aug 28	4-Sep
Cotton	10-Apr	Apr 17-May 15	5-Jun	4-Sep	Sept 11-Oct 11	30-Oct
Rice	13-Mar	Mar 20-Apr 24	29-May	31-Jul	Aug 19-Sept 11	9-Oct
Sorghum	20-Mar	Mar 27-Apr 17	15-May	31-Jul	Aug 7-Aug 28	25-Sep
Soybeans	10-Apr	Apr 17-May 29	10-Jul	14-Aug	Aug 21-Oct 9	6-Nov
Sugarcane	7-Aug	Aug 14-Sept 25	9-Oct	9-Oct	Oct 16- <u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>
Sweet Potatoes	15-May	May 22-July 3	24-Jul	4-Sep	Sept 11-Nov 6	27-Nov
Wheat, Winter	16-Oct	Oct 23-Nov 20	4-Dec	8-May	May 15-June 5	12-Jun

<sup>1</sup> Data were not collected after December 4, 2011. Planting or harvesting had not been completed as of that date.



## Crop Record Highs and Lows for Acreage, Yield and Production: Louisiana

Commodity	Record High		Year	Record Low		Year	Records Kept Since
<b><u>Corn for Grain</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	1,170,000	acres	1911	30,000	acres	1980	1866
Yield per Acre	163.0	bu	2007	9.6	bu	1934	1866
Production	11,899,000	bu	2007	1,380,000	bu	1980	1866
<b><u>Cotton</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	1,953,000	acres	1930	225,000	acres	2009	1866
Yield per Acre	1,017.0	lbs	2007	109.0	lbs	1919	1866
Production	1,512,000	bales	1994	281,000	bales	2008	1866
<b><u>All Hay</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	457,000	acres	1964	170,000	acres	1912	1909
Yield per Acre	3.0	tons	2004	0.8	tons	1924	1909
Production	1,260,000	tons	2010*	171,000	tons	1924	1909
<b><u>All Rice</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	679,000	acres	1968*	148,000	acres	1896	1895
Yield per Acre	6,320.0	lbs	2011	855.0	lbs	1896	1895
Production	32,625,000	cwt	2010	1,265,000	cwt	1896	1895
<b><u>Sorghum for Grain</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	410,000	acres	1985	1,000	acres	1946*	1929
Yield per Acre	97.0	bu	2005	11.5	bu	1938	1929
Production	27,880,000	bu	1985	14,000	bu	1946*	1929
<b><u>Soybeans</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	3,350,000	acres	1980*	7,000	acres	1933	1924
Yield per Acre	43.0	bu	2007	7.5	bu	1928	1924
Production	93,800,000	bu	1979	64,000	bu	1924	1924
<b><u>Sugarcane for Sugar &amp; Seed</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	500,000	acres	2000	89,000	acres	1927	1909
Yield per Acre	32.7	tons	1999	6.8	tons	1926	1909
Production	15,206,000	tons	1999	1,088,000	tons	1926	1909
<b><u>Sweet Potatoes</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	125,000	acres	1946	11,000	acres	2008*	1868
Yield per Acre	200.0	cwt	2007	22.0	cwt	1881*	1868
Production	6,699,000	cwt	1945	330,000	cwt	1881*	1868
<b><u>Wheat, Winter</u></b>							
Acres Harvested	500,000	acre	1982	15,000	acres	1978	1955
Yield per Acre	63.0	bu	2011	15.0	bu	1958*	1955
Production	21,945,000	bu	2008	320,000	bu	1975	1955

<sup>1</sup> 480 lb net weight bales.

\* Most current year with this record high or low.

## Louisiana Crop Summary: 2008-2011

Crop Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Unit	Total Production	Season Average Price	Total Value of Production
	-----Acres-----	-----Acres-----			--1,000 Units--	-----Dollars-----	--1,000 Dollars--
<u><i>All Corn</i></u>							
<b>2008</b>	520,000	515,000	---		---	---	---
<b>2009</b>	630,000	613,000	---		---	---	---
<b>2010</b>	510,000	505,000	---		---	---	---
<b>2011</b>	580,000	573,000	---		---	---	---
<u><i>Corn for Grain</i></u>							
<b>2008</b>	---	510,000	144	bushels	73,440	4.45	326,808
<b>2009</b>	---	610,000	132	bushels	80,520	3.55	285,846
<b>2010</b>	---	500,000	140	bushels	70,000	4.90	343,000
<b>2011</b>	---	570,000	135	bushels	76,950	6.10	469,395
<u><i>Corn Silage</i></u>							
<b>2008</b>	---	5,000	14	tons	70	---	---
<b>2009</b>	---	3,000	13	tons	39	---	---
<b>2010</b>	---	5,000	16	tons	80	---	---
<b>2011</b>	---	3,000	12	tons	36	---	---
<u><i>Upland Cotton</i></u>							
<b>2008</b>	300,000	234,000	576	lbs: bales	281	0.524	70,677
<b>2009</b>	230,000	225,000	745	lbs: bales	349	0.628	105,203
<b>2010</b>	255,000	249,000	842	lbs: bales	437	0.810	169,906
<b>2011</b>	295,000	290,000	846	lbs: bales	511	0.920	227,424
<u><i>All Hay</i></u>							
<b>2008</b>	---	430,000	2.5	tons	1,075	87.00	93,525
<b>2009</b>	---	380,000	2.8	tons	1,064	102.00	108,528
<b>2010</b>	---	450,000	2.8	tons	1,260	95.00	119,700
<b>2011</b>	---	430,000	2.1	tons	903	156.00	140,868
<u><i>All Rice</i></u>							
<b>2008</b>	470,000	464,000	5,830	lbs: cwt	27,037	15.40	416,370
<b>2009</b>	470,000	464,000	6,300	lbs: cwt	29,217	13.00	379,821
<b>2010</b>	540,000	535,000	6,100	lbs: cwt	32,625	11.90	388,238
<b>2011</b>	423,000	418,000	6,320	lbs: cwt	26,430	13.70	362,091
<u><i>Rice - Long Grain</i></u>							
<b>2008</b>	455,000	450,000	5,820	lbs: cwt	26,190	---	---
<b>2009</b>	415,000	410,000	6,320	lbs: cwt	25,912	---	---
<b>2010</b>	500,000	495,000	6,110	lbs: cwt	30,245	---	---
<b>2011</b>	375,000	370,000	6,300	lbs: cwt	23,310	---	---
<u><i>Rice - Medium Grain</i></u>							
<b>2008</b>	15,000	14,000	6,050	lbs: cwt	847	---	---
<b>2009</b>	55,000	54,000	6,120	lbs: cwt	3,305	---	---
<b>2010</b>	40,000	40,000	5,950	lbs: cwt	2,380	---	---
<b>2011</b>	48,000	48,000	6,500	lbs: cwt	3,120	---	---

## Louisiana Crop Summary: 2008-2011 *(continued)*

Crop Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Unit	Total Production	Season Average Price	Total Value of Production
	-----Acres-----	-----Acres-----			--1,000 Units--	-----Dollars-----	--1,000 Dollars--
<b><u>Sorghum</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	120,000	110,000	87.0	bushels	9,570	6.90	36,978
<b>2009</b>	70,000	65,000	82.0	bushels	5,330	5.70	17,013
<b>2010</b>	82,000	78,000	95.0	bushels	7,410	6.90	28,632
<b>2011</b>	130,000	124,000	87.0	bushels	10,788	10.20	61,621
<b><u>Sorghum Silage</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	---	1,000	10.0	tons	10	---	---
<b>2009</b>	---	1,000	11.0	tons	11	---	---
<b>2010</b>	---	1,000	11.0	tons	11	---	---
<b>2011</b>	---	1,000	11.0	tons	11	---	---
<b><u>Soybeans</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	1,050,000	950,000	33.0	bushels	31,350	9.52	298,452
<b>2009</b>	1,020,000	940,000	39.0	bushels	36,660	9.66	354,136
<b>2010</b>	1,030,000	1,020,000	41.0	bushels	41,820	10.50	439,110
<b>2011</b>	1,020,000	980,000	35.0	bushels	34,300	11.90	408,170
<b><u>Sugarcane for Sugar &amp; Seed</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	---	405,000	28.3	net tons	11,462	29.10	333,544
<b>2009</b>	---	425,000	32.2	net tons	13,685	31.30	428,340
<b>2010</b>	---	420,000	27.8	net tons	11,676	45.20	527,755
<b>2011</b>	---	410,000	27.6	net tons	11,320	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
<b><u>Sweet Potatoes</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	15,000	11,000	100	cwt	1,100	18.30	20,130
<b>2009</b>	14,000	12,000	135	cwt	1,620	18.10	29,322
<b>2010</b>	13,500	13,000	190	cwt	2,470	19.20	47,424
<b>2011</b>	14,000	13,000	185	cwt	2,405	17.60	42,328
<b><u>Wheat, Winter</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	400,000	385,000	57.0	bushels	21,945	5.50	120,698
<b>2009</b>	185,000	175,000	56.0	bushels	9,800	4.70	46,060
<b>2010</b>	125,000	110,000	50.0	bushels	5,500	4.80	26,400
<b>2011</b>	240,000	235,000	63.0	bushels	14,805	7.05	104,375

<sup>1</sup> Cotton production is in 480 pound net weight bales.

<sup>2</sup> Data not available until February 2013.

--- Data not available.

## United States Crop Summary: 2008-2011

Crop Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Unit	Total Production	Season Average Price	Total Value of Production
	---1,000 Acres---	---1,000 Acres---			--1,000 Units--	-----Dollars-----	--1,000 Dollars--
<b><u>Corn for Grain</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	85,982	78,570	153.9	bushels	12,091,648	4.06	49,312,615
<b>2009</b>	86,382	79,490	164.7	bushels	13,091,862	3.55	46,734,066
<b>2010</b>	88,192	81,446	152.8	bushels	12,446,865	5.18	64,643,295
<b>2011</b>	91,921	83,981	147.2	bushels	12,358,412	6.20	76,464,126
<b><u>Upland Cotton</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	9,297	7,400	803	lbs: bales	12,385	0.478	2,816,852
<b>2009</b>	9,008	7,391	766	lbs: bales	11,788	0.629	3,563,534
<b>2010</b>	10,770	10,497	805	lbs: bales	17,600	0.815	6,915,833
<b>2011</b>	14,428	9,156	772	lbs: bales	14,722	0.913	6,596,123
<b><u>All Rice</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	2,995	2,976	6,846	lbs: cwt	203,733	16.80	3,603,460
<b>2009</b>	3,135	3,103	7,085	lbs: cwt	219,850	14.40	3,209,236
<b>2010</b>	3,636	3,615	6,725	lbs: cwt	243,104	12.70	3,183,213
<b>2011</b>	2,689	2,618	7,067	lbs: cwt	185,009	14.20	2,631,681
<b><u>Sorghum</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	8,284	7,271	65.0	bushels	472,342	5.72	1,631,065
<b>2009</b>	6,633	5,520	69.4	bushels	382,983	5.75	1,207,111
<b>2010</b>	5,404	4,813	71.8	bushels	345,625	8.96	1,617,851
<b>2011</b>	5,481	3,929	54.6	bushels	214,443	10.90	1,284,177
<b><u>Soybeans</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	75,718	74,681	39.7	bushels	2,967,007	9.97	29,458,225
<b>2009</b>	77,451	76,372	44.0	bushels	3,359,011	9.59	32,145,207
<b>2010</b>	77,404	76,610	43.5	bushels	3,329,181	11.30	37,546,840
<b>2011</b>	74,976	73,636	41.5	bushels	3,056,032	11.70	35,784,360
<b><u>Sugarcane for Sugar &amp; Seed</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	---	868.0	31.8	net tons	27,603	29.50	814,479
<b>2009</b>	---	873.9	34.8	net tons	30,432	34.70	1,056,613
<b>2010</b>	---	877.5	31.2	net tons	27,360	41.70	1,140,636
<b>2011</b>	---	872.6	33.7	net tons	29,383	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
<b><u>Wheat, All</u></b>							
<b>2008</b>	63,193	55,699	44.9	bushels	2,499,164	6.78	16,625,759
<b>2009</b>	59,168	49,893	44.5	bushels	2,218,061	4.87	10,654,115
<b>2010</b>	53,593	47,619	46.3	bushels	2,206,916	5.70	12,827,254
<b>2011</b>	54,409	45,705	43.7	bushels	1,999,347	7.30	14,367,556

<sup>1</sup> Cotton production is in 480 pound net weight bales.

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## State Rankings - Harvested Acres, Selected Crops:

### Louisiana and 10 Leading States, 2011

Item	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	LA Rank
Corn for Grain	IA	IL	NE	MN	IN	SD	KS	WI	OH	MO	21
All Cotton	TX	GA	NC	AR	MS	TN	CA	AL	MO	SC	11
All Rice	AR	CA	<b>LA</b>	TX	MS	MO					3
Sorghum for Grain	KS	TX	CO	<b>LA</b>	SD	AR	OK	NE	MS	GA	4
Soybeans	IA	IL	MN	IN	MO	NE	OH	SD	ND	KS	18
Sugarcane	<b>LA</b>	FL	TX	HI							1
Sweet Potatoes	NC	MS	CA	<b>LA</b>	AR	AL	FL	NJ	TX		4
All Wheat	KS	ND	MT	OK	SD	WA	CO	TX	MN	NE	26
Total Acres of Principal Crops Harvested	IA	IL	KS	MN	NE	ND	SD	MO	IN	TX	25

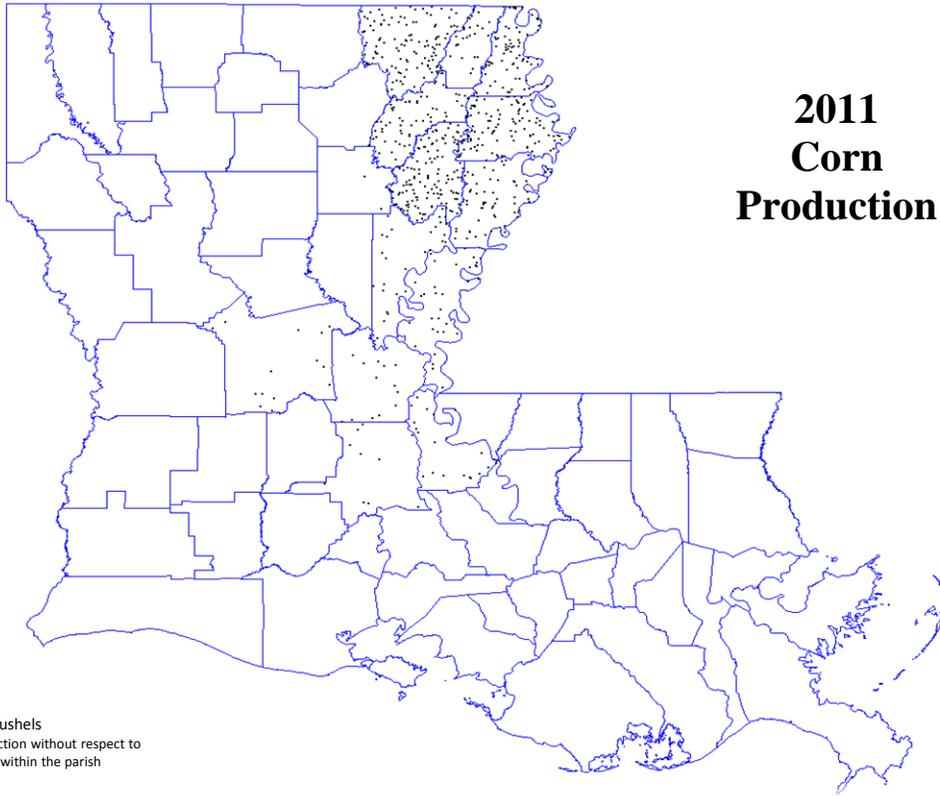
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## State Rankings - Crop Production, Selected Crops:

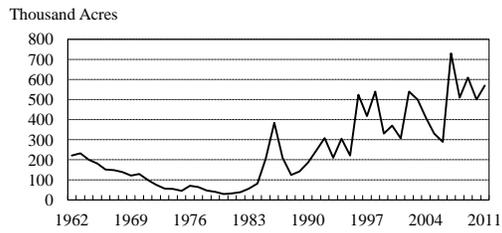
### Louisiana and 10 Leading States, 2011

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Corn for Grain	IA	IL	NE	MN	IN	SD	WI	OH	KS	MO	20
All Cotton	TX	GA	CA	AR	MS	NC	TN	AZ	MO	AL	11
All Rice	AR	CA	<b>LA</b>	TX	MS	MO					3
Sorghum for Grain	KS	TX	<b>LA</b>	SD	NE	AR	CO	MS	MO	IL	3
Soybeans for Beans	IA	IL	MN	NE	IN	OH	MO	SD	AR	ND	18
Sugarcane	FL	<b>LA</b>	TX	HI							2
Sweet Potatoes	NC	CA	MS	<b>LA</b>	AR	FL	AL	NJ	TX		4
All Wheat	KS	ND	MT	WA	ID	SD	CO	OR	MN	OK	26

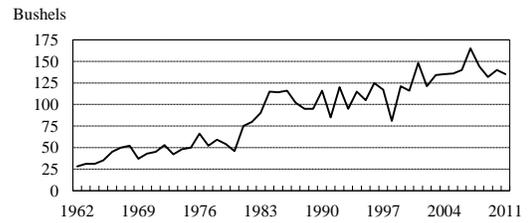
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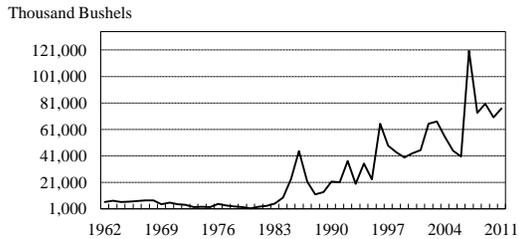
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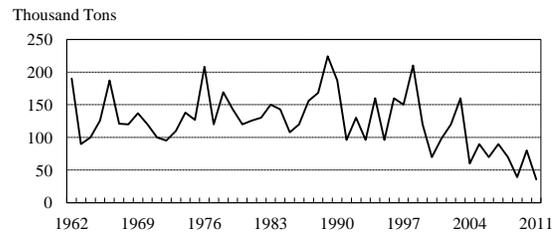
### Yield per Acre for Grain 1962-2011



### Total Grain Production 1962-2011



### Total Silage Production 1962-2011



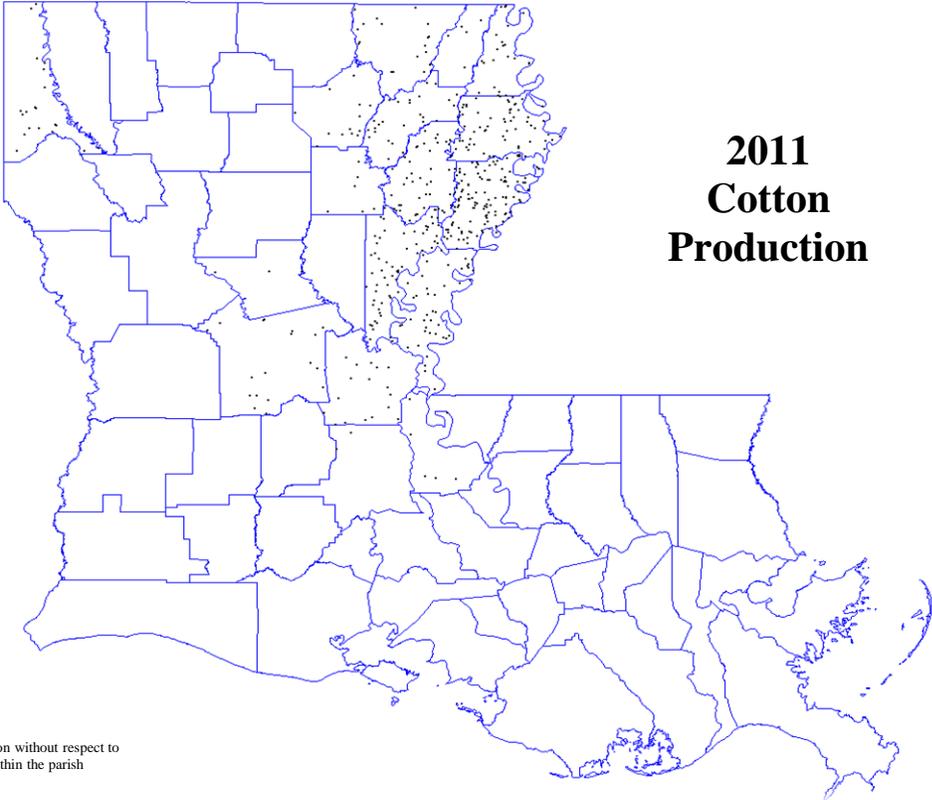
**2011 Corn Parish Estimates**

District and Parish	Planted for all Purposes	Harvested for Grain	Yield per Acre	Total Production	District and Parish	Planted for all Purposes	Harvested for Grain	Yield per Acre	Total Production
	-----Acres-----		-----Bushels-----			-----Acres-----		-----Bushels-----	
Bossier	2,600	2,600	72.3	188,000	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	6,100	3,600	92.8	334,000
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	23,800	23,800	85.9	2,044,000	<b>District VI</b>	<b>6,100</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>92.8</b>	<b>334,000</b>
<b>District I</b>	<b>26,400</b>	<b>26,400</b>	<b>84.5</b>	<b>2,232,000</b>	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	2,800	2,500	83.2	208,000
Caldwell	2,500	2,500	105.6	264,000	<b>Combined Districts<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>83.2</b>	<b>208,000</b>
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	10,700	10,700	119.3	1,277,000					
<b>District II</b>	<b>13,200</b>	<b>13,200</b>	<b>116.7</b>	<b>1,541,000</b>	<b>State Total</b>	<b>580,000</b>	<b>570,000</b>	<b>135.0</b>	<b>76,950,000</b>
East Carroll	59,600	57,100	141.1	8,056,000					
Franklin	80,800	80,000	176.0	14,080,000	<b>Top 5 Corn Producing Parishes</b>				
Madison	82,500	82,100	126.6	10,391,000	(Bushels)				
Morehouse	72,600	72,200	162.0	11,700,000	Franklin			14,080,000	
Richland	49,500	48,600	131.8	6,406,000	Morehouse			11,700,000	
Tensas	47,600	47,000	119.3	5,606,000	Madison			10,391,000	
West Carroll	23,400	23,000	112.2	2,580,000	East Carroll			8,056,000	
<b>District III</b>	<b>416,000</b>	<b>410,000</b>	<b>143.5</b>	<b>58,819,000</b>	Richland			6,406,000	
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	16,500	16,300	98.7	1,609,000					
<b>District IV</b>	<b>16,500</b>	<b>16,300</b>	<b>98.7</b>	<b>1,609,000</b>					
Avoyelles	11,000	10,900	121.1	1,320,000					
Catahoula	23,300	23,000	130.4	3,000,000					
Concordia	24,700	24,600	127.9	3,146,000					
Grant	1,700	1,700	68.8	117,000					
Pointe Coupee	13,600	13,400	149.6	2,005,000					
Rapides	11,900	11,600	121.1	1,405,000					
Saint Landry	11,300	11,300	94.7	1,070,000					
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	1,500	1,500	96.0	144,000					
<b>District V</b>	<b>99,000</b>	<b>98,000</b>	<b>124.6</b>	<b>12,207,000</b>					

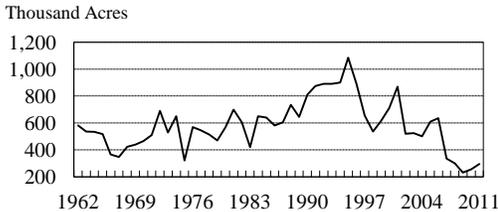
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See map of Agricultural Statistics Districts inside front cover.

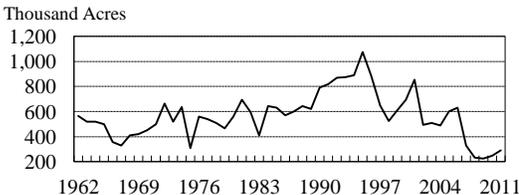
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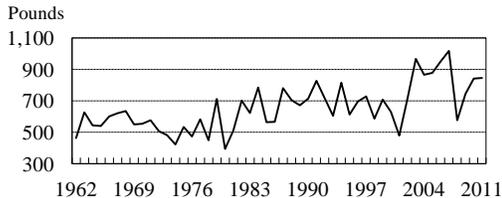
**Planted Acres  
1962-2011**



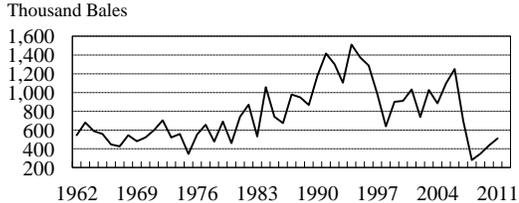
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1962-2011**

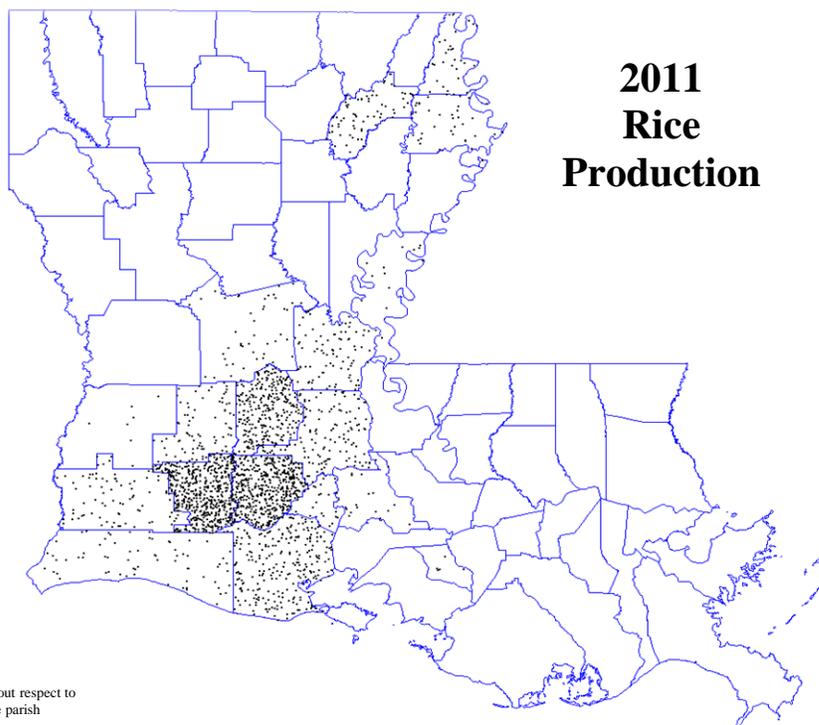


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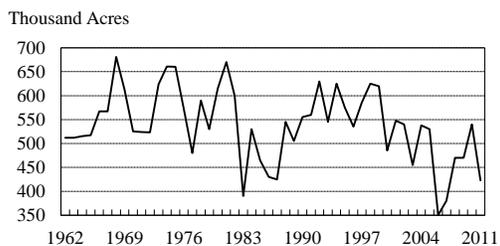


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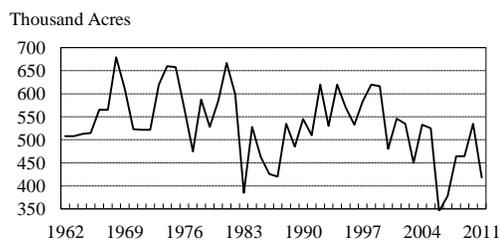


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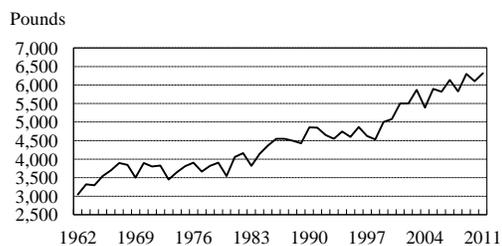
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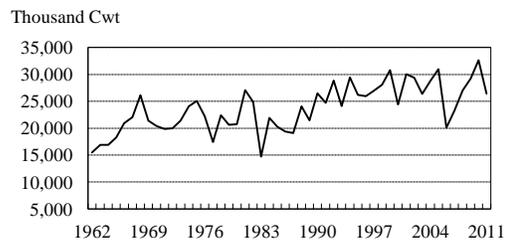
### Harvested Acres 1962-2011



### Yield per Acre 1962-2011



### Total Production 1962-2011



### 2011 Rice Parish Estimates

District and Parish	Planted for all Purposes	Harvested for Grain	Yield per Acre	Total Production	District and Parish	Planted for all Purposes	Harvested for Grain	Yield per Acre	Total Production
	-----Acres-----		Pounds	Cwt		-----Acres-----		Pounds	Cwt
East Carroll	4,700	4,700	6,850	322,000	Lafayette	4,100	4,100	5,570	228,500
Madison	5,100	5,100	7,060	360,000	Saint Martin	4,700	4,700	5,170	243,000
Richland	10,300	10,300	6,600	680,000	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	1,200	1,100	5,050	55,500
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	35,000	34,600	6,650	2,300,000	<b>District VIII</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>9,900</b>	<b>5,320</b>	<b>527,000</b>
<b>District III</b>	<b>55,100</b>	<b>54,700</b>	<b>6,690</b>	<b>3,662,000</b>	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	7,400	7,200	6,210	447,000
Avoyelles	13,800	13,800	6,590	909,000	<b>Combined Districts<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>7,400</b>	<b>7,200</b>	<b>6,210</b>	<b>447,000</b>
Concordia	2,400	2,400	6,130	147,000	<b>State Total</b>	<b>423,000</b>	<b>418,000</b>	<b>6,320</b>	<b>26,430,000</b>
Evangeline	43,100	43,000	6,790	2,918,000					
Rapides	8,900	8,900	5,380	479,000					
Saint Landry	22,700	22,500	5,700	1,282,000					
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	13,100	12,600	6,780	854,000					
<b>District V</b>	<b>104,000</b>	<b>103,200</b>	<b>6,380</b>	<b>6,589,000</b>					
Acadia	74,900	74,900	6,540	4,898,000					
Allen	14,700	14,700	5,510	810,000					
Beauregard	1,200	1,200	6,830	82,000					
Calcasieu	12,000	12,000	6,580	790,000					
Cameron	11,100	10,600	6,620	702,000					
Jefferson Davis	80,900	80,500	6,550	5,272,000					
Vermilion	51,700	49,100	5,400	2,651,000					
<b>District VII</b>	<b>246,500</b>	<b>243,000</b>	<b>6,260</b>	<b>15,205,000</b>					

**Top 5 Rice Producing Parishes**

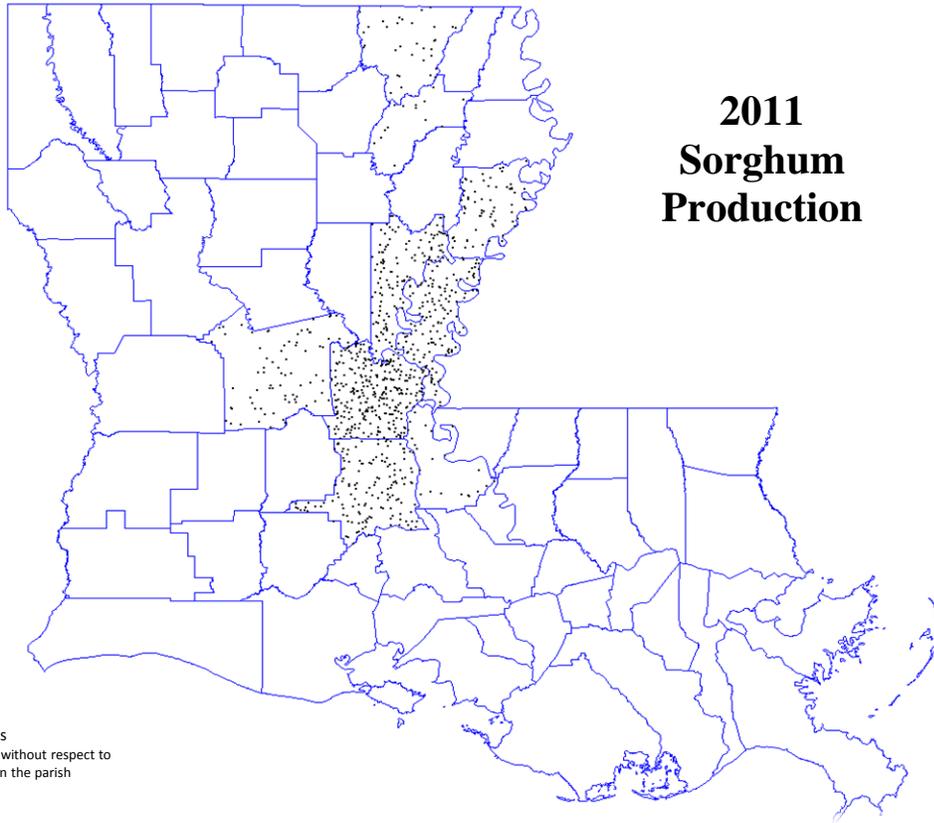
(Cwt)

Jefferson Davis	5,272,000
Acadia	4,898,000
Evangeline	2,918,000
Vermilion	2,651,000
Saint Landry	1,282,000

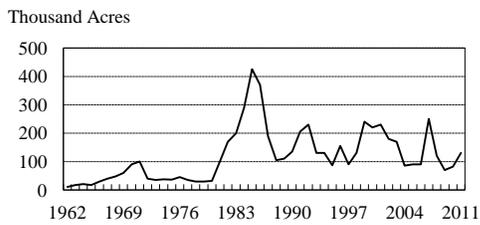
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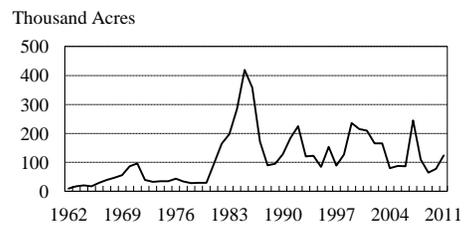
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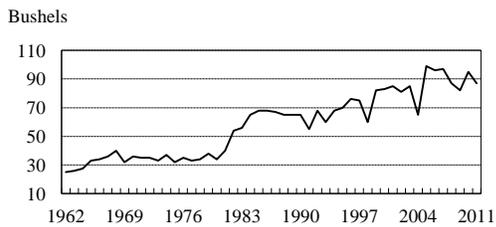
**Planted Acres  
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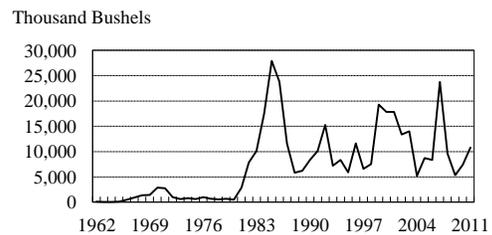
**Acres Harvested for Grain  
1962-2011**



**Yield Per Acre for Grain  
1962-2011**



**Total Grain Production  
1962-2011**



### 2011 Sorghum Parish Estimates

District and Parish	Planted for all Purposes	Harvested for Grain	Yield per Acre	Total Production	District and Parish	Planted for all Purposes	Harvested for Grain	Yield per Acre	Total Production
	-----Acres-----		Pounds	Cwt		-----Acres-----		Pounds	Cwt
Morehouse	4,600	4,600	73.3	337,000	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	11,400	10,400	73.1	760,000
Richland	2,900	2,300	61.7	142,000	<b>Combined Districts</b>	<b>11,400</b>	<b>10,400</b>	<b>73.1</b>	<b>760,000</b>
Tensas	6,700	6,600	101.1	667,000					
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	6,400	6,400	82.5	528,000	<b>State Total</b>	<b>130,000</b>	<b>124,000</b>	<b>87.0</b>	<b>10,788,000</b>
<b>District III</b>	<b>20,600</b>	<b>19,900</b>	<b>84.1</b>	<b>1,674,000</b>					
Avoyelles	33,000	30,400	95.2	2,893,000					
Catahoula	19,600	18,700	72.5	1,355,000					
Concordia	15,000	14,800	92.6	1,371,000					
Pointe Coupee	2,500	2,000	100.0	200,000					
Rapides	8,600	8,600	90.0	774,000					
Saint Landry	16,200	16,200	92.9	1,505,000					
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	3,100	3,000	85.3	256,000					
<b>District V</b>	<b>98,000</b>	<b>93,700</b>	<b>89.2</b>	<b>8,354,000</b>					

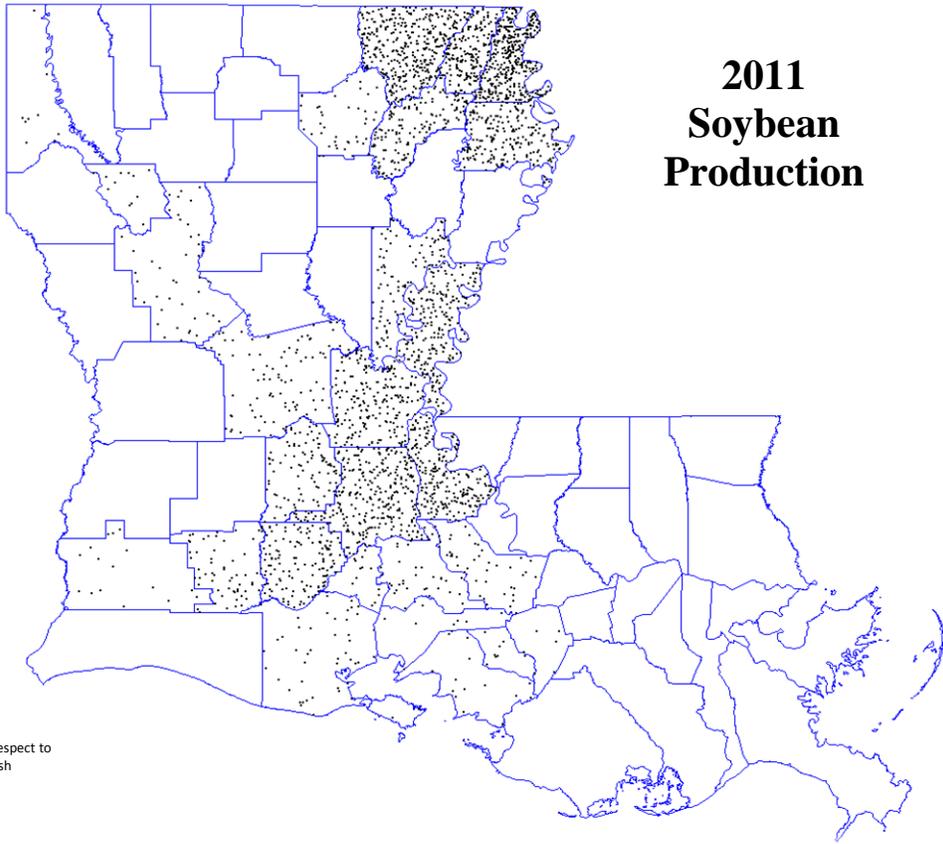
  

<b><u>Top 5 Sorghum Producing Parishes</u></b>	
(Bushels)	
Avoyelles	2,893,000
St. Landry	1,505,000
Concordia	1,371,000
Catahoula	1,355,000
Rapides	774,000

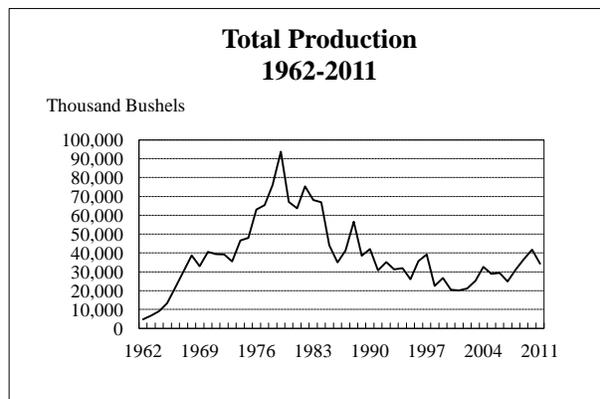
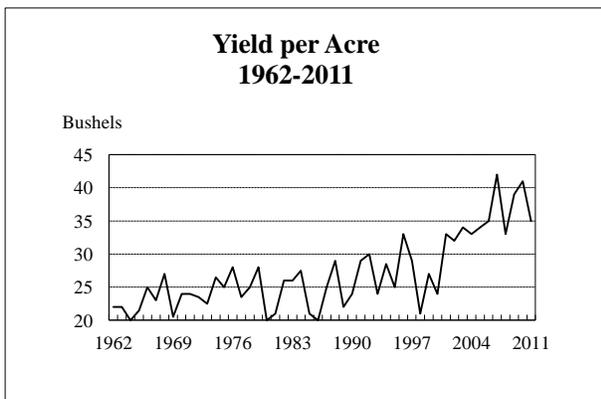
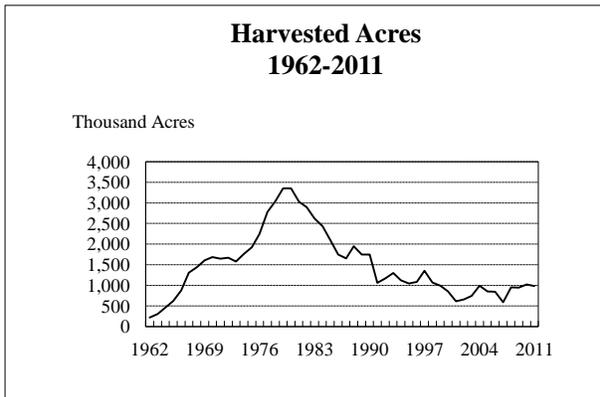
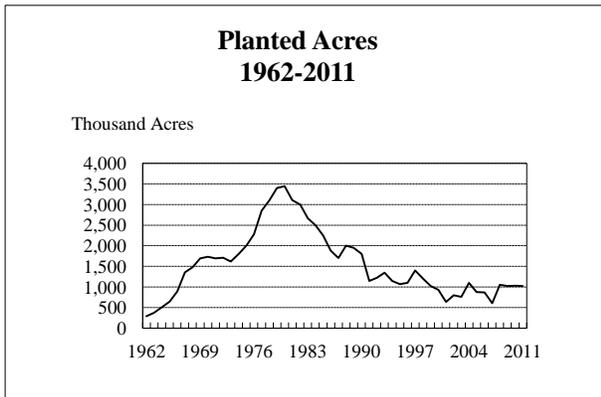
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# 2011 Soybean Production



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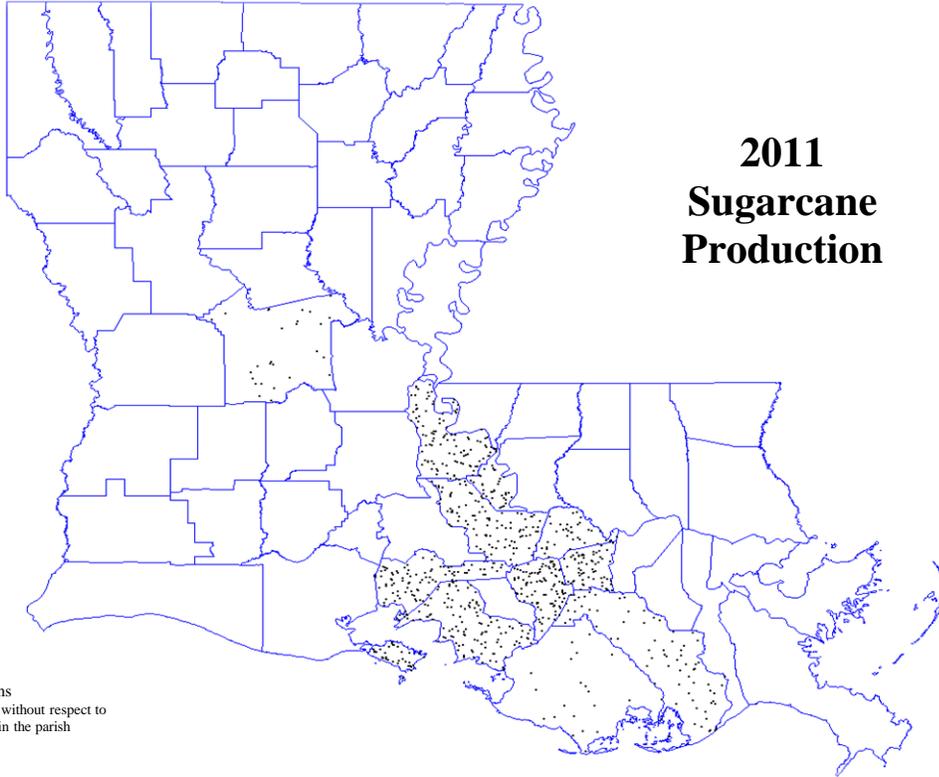
### 2011 Soybean Parish Estimates

District and Parish	Planted for all Purposes	Harvested for Beans	Yield per Acre	Total Production	District and Parish	Planted for all Purposes	Harvested for Beans	Yield per Acre	Total Production
	-----Acres-----		-----Bushels-----			-----Acres-----		-----Bushels-----	
Caddo	6,900	5,300	19.2	102,000	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	10,600	10,400	33.6	349,000
Red River	6,100	5,100	24.5	125,000	<b>District VI</b>	<b>10,600</b>	<b>10,400</b>	<b>33.6</b>	<b>349,000</b>
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	4,400	3,600	10.6	38,000	Acadia	46,300	46,100	29.6	1,363,000
<b>District I</b>	<b>17,400</b>	<b>14,000</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>265,000</b>	Calcasieu	6,700	6,600	24.5	162,000
Ouachita	12,700	12,700	33.2	422,000	Jefferson Davis	29,000	28,700	20.3	584,000
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	8,400	7,900	24.3	192,000	Vermilion	17,000	16,300	27.9	455,000
<b>District II</b>	<b>21,100</b>	<b>20,600</b>	<b>29.8</b>	<b>614,000</b>	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	9,500	9,300	25.4	236,000
East Carroll	89,000	86,500	44.0	3,803,000	<b>District VII</b>	<b>108,500</b>	<b>107,000</b>	<b>26.2</b>	<b>2,800,000</b>
Madison	58,500	56,600	36.3	2,055,000	Assumption	3,500	2,400	23.3	56,000
Morehouse	81,200	79,100	46.8	3,705,000	Iberia	5,700	3,400	33.5	114,000
Richland	39,400	38,200	39.4	1,505,000	Iberville	9,400	9,000	46.7	420,000
West Carroll	39,100	37,000	46.8	1,733,000	Lafayette	5,900	5,700	27.2	155,000
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	69,800	68,100	41.4	2,818,000	Saint Martin	11,300	11,000	37.9	417,000
<b>District III</b>	<b>377,000</b>	<b>265,500</b>	<b>42.7</b>	<b>15,619,000</b>	Saint Mary	4,200	4,100	34.9	143,000
Natchitoches	17,000	15,700	28.3	444,000	<b>District VIII</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>35,600</b>	<b>36.7</b>	<b>1,305,000</b>
<b>District IV</b>	<b>17,000</b>	<b>15,700</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>444,000</b>	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	6,900	5,700	34.2	195,000
Avoyelles	75,800	74,200	28.3	2,100,000	<b>District IX</b>	<b>6,900</b>	<b>5,700</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>195,000</b>
Catahoula	43,100	38,600	26.4	1,020,000	<b>State Total</b>	<b>1,020,000</b>	<b>980,000</b>	<b>35.0</b>	<b>34,300,000</b>
Concordia	74,700	70,400	31.9	2,245,000	<b><u>Top 5 Soybean Producing Parishes</u></b>				
Evangeline	33,200	32,700	25.2	925,000	(Bushels)				
Pointe Coupee	58,600	56,100	40.8	2,290,000	East Carroll				3,803,000
Rapides	27,800	26,800	34.7	929,000	Morehouse				3,705,000
St. Landry	95,600	95,300	30.4	2,895,000	Saint Landry				2,895,000
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	12,700	11,400	35.5	405,000	Pointe Coupee				2,290,000
<b>District V</b>	<b>421,500</b>	<b>405,500</b>	<b>31.3</b>	<b>12,709,000</b>	Concordia				2,245,000

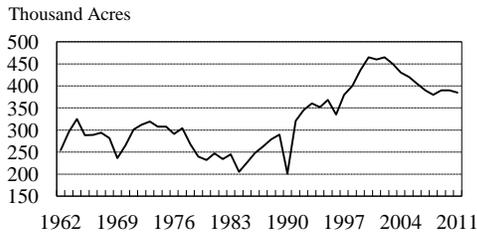
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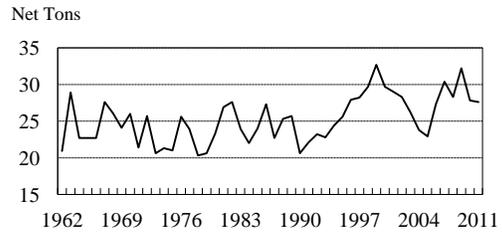
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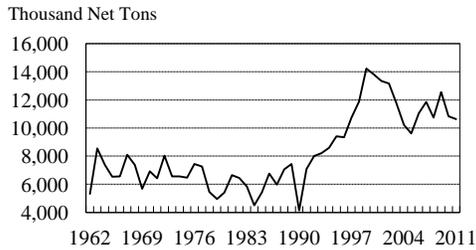
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1962-2011**



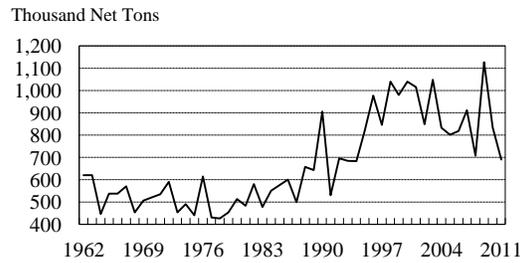
**Yield per Acre for Sugar  
1962-2011**



**Sugarcane Production for Sugar  
1962-2011**



**Sugarcane Production for Seed  
1962-2011**



**2011 Sugarcane For Sugar Parish Estimates**

District and Parish	Harvested For Sugar	Yield per Acre	Total Production	District and Parish	Harvested For Sugar	Yield per Acre	Total Production
	----Acres----	-----Net Tons-----			----Acres----	-----Net Tons-----	
Point Coupee	35,600	30.7	1,092,000	Ascension	13,500	27.4	370,000
Rapides	9,300	29.2	272,000	Lafourche	27,000	26.9	725,000
West Baton Rouge	13,000	28.8	374,000	Saint James	23,100	26.8	620,000
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	14,300	26.7	382,000	Terrebonne	8,500	24.7	210,000
<b>District V</b>	<b>72,200</b>	<b>29.4</b>	<b>2,120,000</b>	Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	8,800	26.7	235,000
				<b>District IX</b>	<b>80,900</b>	<b>26.7</b>	<b>2,160,000</b>
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	33,900	27.7	940,000				
<b>District VII</b>	<b>33,900</b>	<b>27.7</b>	<b>940,000</b>	<b>State Total</b>	<b>385,000</b>	<b>27.6</b>	<b>10,630,000</b>
Assumption	36,600	27.4	1,003,000	<b><u>Top 5 Sugarcane Producing Parishes</u></b>			
Iberia	50,800	26.2	1,330,000	<b>(Net Tons)</b>			
Iberville	32,600	30.4	990,000	Iberia	1,330,000		
Saint Mary	41,000	27.7	1,135,000	Saint Mary	1,135,000		
Other Parishes <sup>1</sup>	37,000	25.7	952,000	Point Coupee	1,092,000		
<b>District VIII</b>	<b>198,000</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>5,410,000</b>	Assumption	1,003,000		
				Iberville	990,000		

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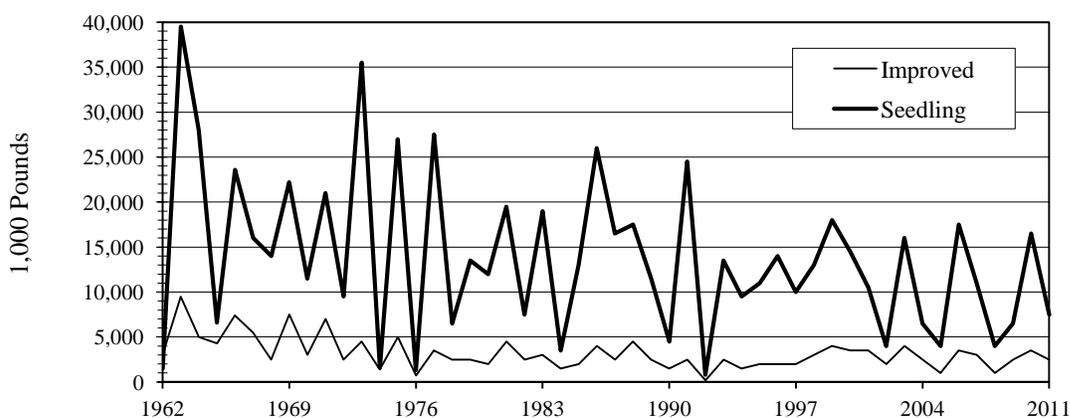
## Pecans

Louisiana's total pecan production was valued at 16.0 million dollars in 2011. Of this total, native and seedling varieties represented 66 percent, while improved varieties represented 34 percent. Production of all pecans totaled 10.0 million pounds, compared to 20 million pounds the previous year. Of the total, native and seedling varieties represented 75 percent of the poundage, while improved varieties represented 25 percent.

### Pecans - Production, Price and Value of Production: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Crop Year	Total Production	Season Average Price	Total value of Production
	-----1,000 Pounds-----	-----Cents per Pounds-----	-----1,000 Dollars-----
<u>All Pecans</u>			
2008	5,000	95.0	4,750
2009	9,000	90.3	8,125
2010	20,000	146.0	29,275
2011	10,000	160.0	16,000
<u>Improved Varieties</u>			
2008	1,000	135.0	1,350
2009	2,500	130.0	3,250
2010	3,500	200.0	7,000
2011	2,500	220.0	5,500
<u>Native and Seedling</u>			
2008	4,000	85.0	3,400
2009	6,500	75.0	4,875
2010	16,500	135.0	22,275
2011	7,500	140.0	10,500

### Pecan Production: Louisiana, 1962-2011



## Louisiana Timber Production and Resources

### Overview\*

Louisiana's forest lands cover 14 million acres -- about 50 percent of the state's land area -- the state's single greatest land use. Fifty-nine of the state's 64 parishes contain land capable of producing sufficient timber to support forest-industry activities as well as provide wildlife habitat, recreational opportunity, scenic beauty and other environmental benefits. There are 148,000 owners of Louisiana forest land. Private, non-industrial landowners own 81 percent of the state's forest land; forest-products industries own ten percent and the public owns nine percent. In 2011, forestry accounted for 53 percent of the gross farm value of all plant commodities grown in Louisiana. Forestry contributes 35 percent of the gross farm value of Louisiana's combined plant and animal agricultural commodities.

\* Prepared annually by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry from multiple sources.

### Louisiana Saw Timber, Pulpwood and Chip-n-Saw Harvested, 1997-2011

Year	Saw Timber Harvested		Pulpwood Harvested		Chip-n-Saw Harvested
	Pine	Hardwood	Pine	Hardwood	Pine
	-----1,000 board feet-----		-----1,000 standard cords-----		1,000 standard cords
1997	1,230,898	193,861	3,630	1,604	387
1998	1,153,231	219,908	3,769	1,549	631
1999	1,148,459	191,086	3,731	1,677	842
2000	1,122,673	189,698	3,669	1,551	846
2001	984,603	171,016	3,512	1,403	898
2002	1,006,167	148,184	3,568	1,379	853
2003	1,071,031	195,152	4,182	1,563	993
2004	1,059,954	161,371	3,962	1,274	1,102
2005	1,015,090	169,740	3,942	1,401	1,144
2006	1,194,647	181,941	4,610	1,435	985
2007	985,603	171,016	3,512	1,403	898
2008	778,495	129,981	4,723	1,133	751
2009	604,851	105,628	4,389	1,004	688
2010	691,712	120,264	4,610	1,057	719
2011	700,807	127,831	4,209	871	764

SOURCE: Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry.

**Louisiana Saw Timber, Pulpwood and Chip-n-Saw  
Income to Landowner, 1997-2011**

Year	Saw Timber Harvested		Pulpwood Harvested		Chip-n-Saw Harvested
	Pine	Hardwood	Pine	Hardwood	Pine
	-----1,000 Dollars-----		-----1,000 Dollars-----		1,000 Dollars
1997	428,353	36,558	86,935	24,142	34,327
1998	485,810	54,113	107,799	30,730	66,146
1999	430,626	46,604	101,861	24,674	76,549
2000	414,401	43,325	92,307	19,307	84,998
2001	338,260	42,150	76,007	16,547	86,418
2002	347,661	42,735	74,777	19,236	84,032
2003	347,550	58,198	80,130	25,143	94,337
2004	343,955	48,124	75,903	20,498	104,614
2005	331,549	53,210	74,102	21,022	101,827
2006	427,779	61,809	101,558	27,514	109,087
2007	337,322	42,150	76,007	16,547	86,418
2008	251,501	34,753	123,885	18,736	42,352
2009	189,972	31,121	114,785	17,085	55,149
2010	187,814	36,195	120,231	25,128	48,126
2011	240,449	31,528	91,146	10,274	73,509

SOURCE: Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry.

**Miscellaneous Timber and Forestry Production, 2011**

Product	Quantity	Unit
Baled pine needles	21,600	Bales (40 lbs)
Christmas trees	14,034	Trees sold
Forest seedlings	2,055,000	(1,000)

SOURCE: LSU Ag Summary

**Louisiana Timber & Wood Industry Employment and Wages, 2010**

Item	Wood	Furniture	Paper	Forestry and Logging	Total
	NAICS <sup>1</sup> 321 SIC <sup>2</sup> 24	NAICS <sup>1</sup> 337 SIC <sup>2</sup> 25	NAICS <sup>1</sup> 322 SIC <sup>2</sup> 26	NAICS <sup>1</sup> 113 SIC <sup>2</sup> 08	
NUMBER EMPLOYED (1,000)	5.7	1.0	7.0	3.0	16.7
NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS	217	233	85	416	949
Wages Paid (1,000) Dollars	232,448	30,636	481,946	116,112	876,477

<sup>1</sup>North American Industry Classification System.

<sup>2</sup>Standard Industrial Code.

SOURCE: Tabulated from quarterly reports of the Louisiana Department of Labor. 2011 Annual Report not due until Fall 2013.

## Livestock Record Highs and Lows: Louisiana

Item	Record High		Record Low		Year Records Began
	Number of Head	Year	Number of head	Year	

---1,000---

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### Cattle

<b>All Cattle</b>	1,880	1976	790	2012*	1920
Beef cows	980	1965	217	1928	1920
Milk cows	379	1945	18	2012	1867
Beef replacement heifers 500 + pounds	221	1954	50	1929	1920
Milk replacement heifers 500 + pounds	101	1944	5	2011	1920
Other heifers 500 + pounds	122	1943	12	1995	1920
Steers, heifers, and bulls under 500 pounds	462	1976	151	2011	1970

### Hogs

<b>All Hogs</b>	1,125	1911	7	2011	1866
Breeding hogs	46	1967	1.5	2007	1963
Market hogs	183	1967	5	2011	1963
Under 50 pounds	89	1967	1	2011	1963
50-119 pounds	60	1963	2	2011*	1963
120-179 pounds	27	1971*	1	2011	1963
180 pounds and over	26	1971	1	2011*	1963

### Chickens

<b>All Chickens</b>	7,259	1944	1,850	1991	1924
Total hens & pullets of laying age	5,746	1944	1,045	1991	1924
Hens of laying age	4,119	1927	440	2003*	1924
Pullets of laying age	3,470	1944	575	1991	1930
Pullets not of laying age	1,371	1969	470	1993	1965
Pullets 13-20 weeks	856	1969	165	1997	1965
Pullets under 13 weeks	640	1972	95	1998	1965
Other Chickens	1,576	1943	53	2000	1924

\* Most current year with this record high or low.

## Livestock - Number of Head, by Class

### Cattle - Number of Head, by Class: Louisiana, January 1, 2008-2012

Class	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
	-----1,000 head-----				
<b>All Cattle</b>	890	890	840	790	790
Beef cows	513	515	499	461	452
Milk cows	27	25	21	19	18
Bulls 500+ pounds	34	34	32	30	28
Beef replacement heifers 500+ pounds	90	87	82	82	81
Milk replacement heifers 500+ pounds	8	7	7	5	6
Other heifers 500+ pounds	20	17	16	21	24
Steers, 500+ pounds	23	24	21	21	23
Calves under 500 pounds	175	181	162	151	158

### Hogs - Number of Head, by Class: Louisiana, December 1, 2007-2011

Class	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
	-----1,000 head-----				
<b>All Hogs</b>	11	11	10	10	7
Breeding hogs	1.5	2	2	2	2
Market hogs	9.5	9	8	8	5
Under 50 pounds	3	3	3	3	1
50 - 119 pounds	3	2	2	2	2
120 - 179 pounds	2	2	2	2	1
180 pounds and over	1.5	2	1	1	1

### Chickens - Number of Head, by Class: Louisiana, December 1, 2007-2011

Class	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
	-----1,000 head-----				
<b>All Chickens</b>	2,689	2,365	2,630	2,680	2,690
Total hens & pullets of laying age	1,911	1,785	1,782	1,920	1,889
Pullets not of laying age	678	467	689	648	649
Other Chickens	100	113	159	112	152

## Cattle and Calves

### Inventory, Supply and Disposition: Louisiana, 2008-2012<sup>1</sup>

Year	Inventory January 1	Calf Crop	Inshipments	Marketings <sup>2</sup>		Farm Slaughter <sup>3</sup>	Deaths	
				Cattle	Calves		Cattle	Calves
-----1,000 Head-----								
2008	890	420	2	142	241	2	18	19
2009	890	400	2	153	260	2	21	16
2010	840	360	2	138	235	2	18	19
2011	790	375	2	127	215	2	15	18
2012	790	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/

<sup>1</sup> Sum of inventory January 1 of previous year, calf crop, and inshipments is equal to the sum of marketings, farm slaughter, deaths, and inventory January 1 current year.

<sup>2</sup> Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments; excludes interfarm sales within the state.

<sup>3</sup> Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.

<sup>4</sup> Data will be available in February, 2013.

### Production and Income: Louisiana, 2008-2011

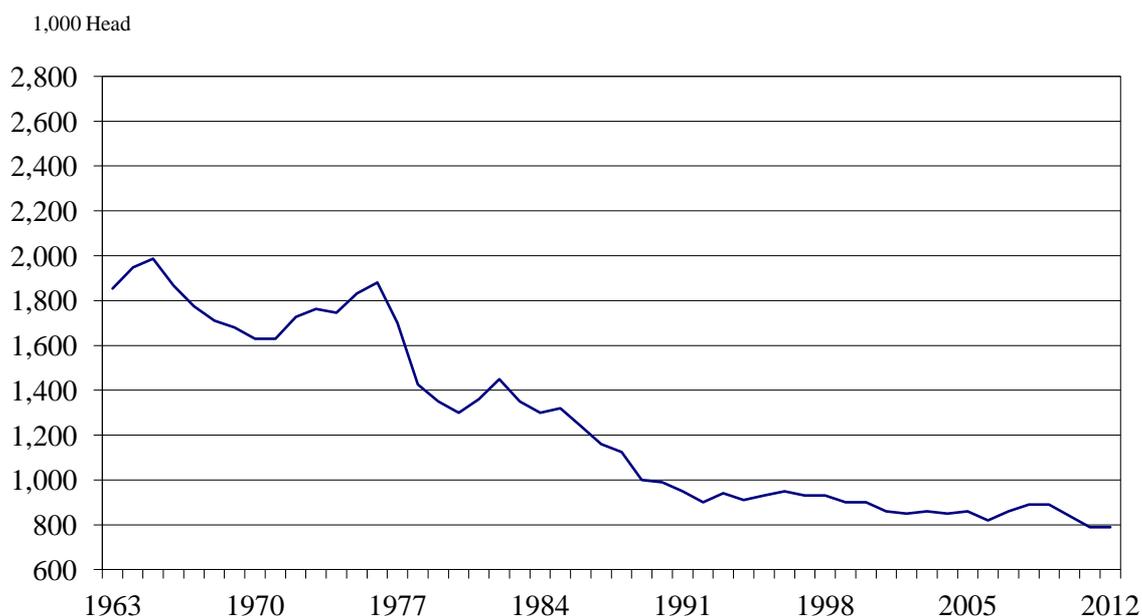
Year	Production <sup>1</sup>	Marketings <sup>2</sup>	Average Price per 100 Pounds		Value of Production	Cash Receipts <sup>3</sup>	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
			Cattle	Calves				
-----1,000 Pounds-----	-----Dollars-----		-----1,000 Dollars-----					
2008	231,335	234,100	62.60	99.50	189,776	191,011	989	192,000
2009	222,360	252,400	55.50	93.20	170,208	189,092	888	189,980
2010	191,067	225,140	65.20	106.00	171,121	194,731	1,064	195,795
2011	203,290	206,560	71.20	117.00	225,510	227,616	1,349	228,965

<sup>1</sup> Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments.

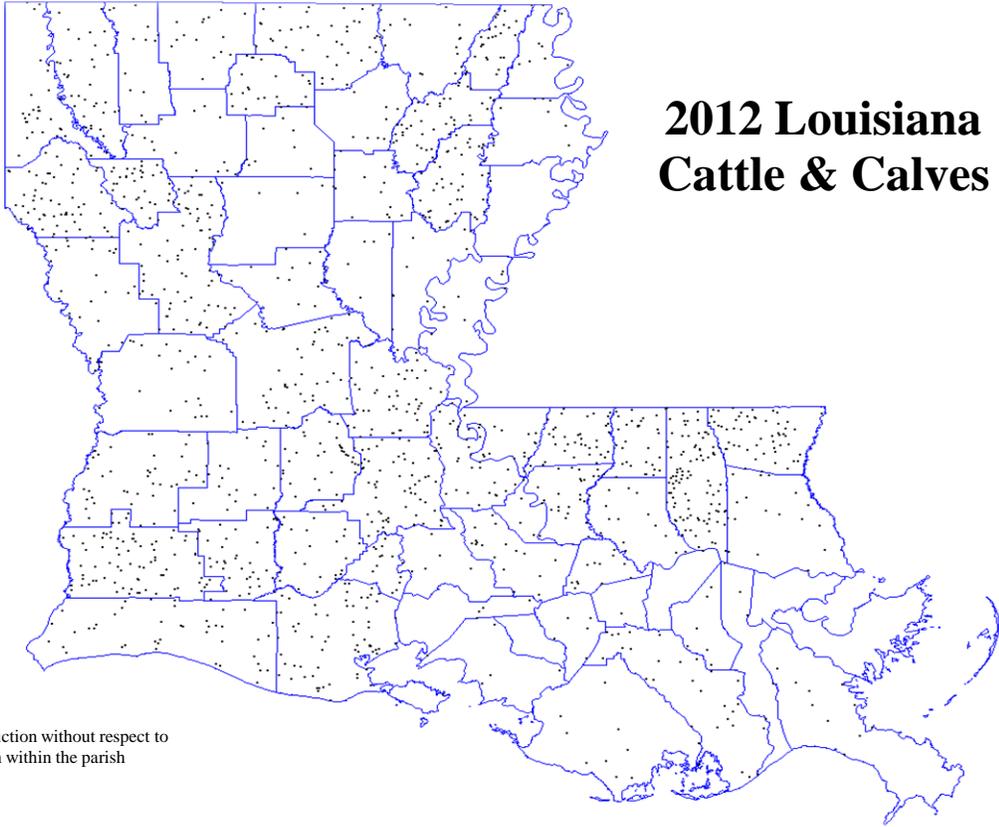
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### Total Cattle and Calves: Louisiana, 1963-2012

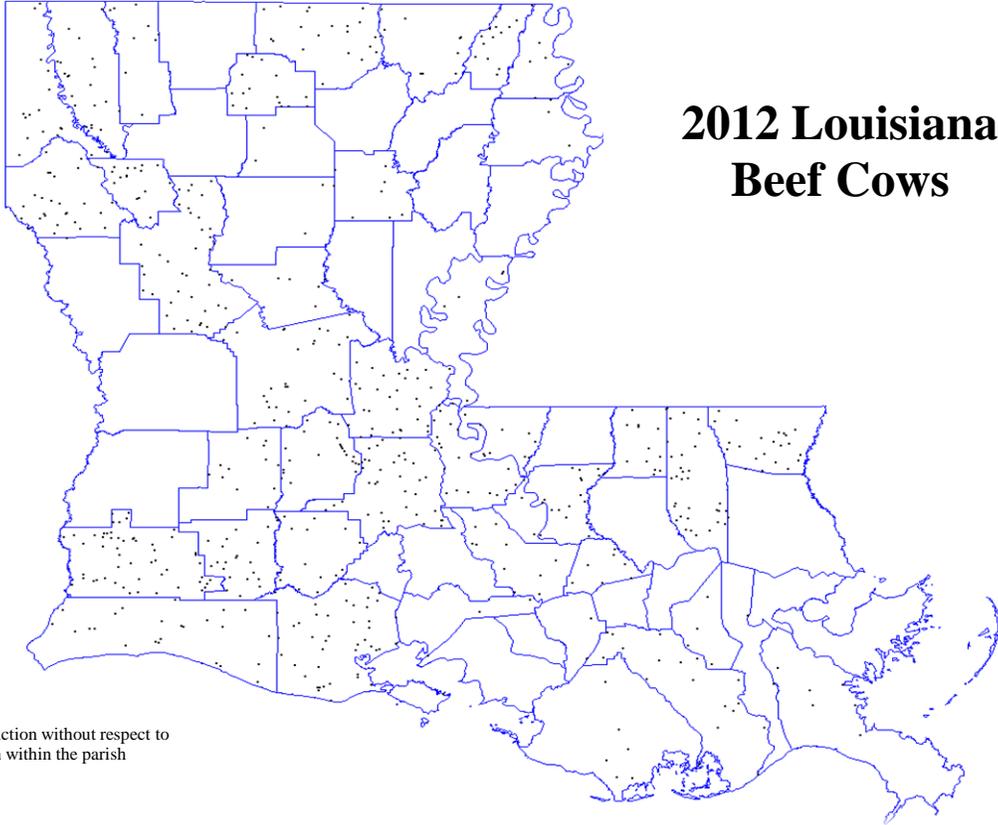


## 2012 Louisiana Cattle & Calves



1 dot = 500 head  
Dots indicate production without respect to geographic location within the parish

## 2012 Louisiana Beef Cows



1 dot = 500 head  
Dots indicate production without respect to geographic location within the parish

## 2012 Cattle & Calves, Beef Cows Parish Estimates<sup>1</sup>

District and Parish	All Cattle & Calves	Beef Cows	District and Parish	All Cattle & Calves	Beef Cows
	Jan. 1, 2012			Jan. 1, 2012	
	-----Number of Head-----			-----Number of Head-----	
Acadia	11,000	7,300	Natchitoches	35,000	20,500
Allen	9,300	6,400	Ouachita	4,800	2/
Ascension	6,000	3,800	Plaquemines	5,200	3,400
Assumption	2,600	1,400	Pointe Coupee	16,000	9,500
Avoyelles	25,500	15,500	Rapides	24,000	14,000
Beauregard	21,500	2/	Red River	17,700	8,700
Bienville	7,800	2/	Richland	21,000	2/
Bossier	17,400	10,400	Sabine	14,400	2/
Caddo	15,300	8,800	Saint Charles	3,400	2,200
Calcasieu	40,500	27,000	Saint Helena	16,000	7,400
Caldwell	5,400	3,300	Saint James	600	400
Cameron	21,500	12,900	Saint Landry	31,000	19,400
Catahoula	5,700	2/	Saint Martin	2,900	2/
Claiborne	8,200	2/	Saint Mary	2,400	2/
Concordia	4,200	2,700	Saint Tammany	8,000	2/
Desoto	30,500	14,200	Tangipahoa	49,000	16,000
East Baton Rouge	13,500	9,000	Tensas	500	400
East Carroll	5,200	2,600	Terrebonne	5,000	3,200
East Feliciana	18,200	2/	Union	19,800	10,600
Evangeline	17,200	11,600	Vermilion	32,000	21,500
Franklin	22,000	2/	Vernon	11,300	2/
Grant	6,500	3,400	Washington	27,000	11,000
Iberia	3,400	2,200	Webster	6,900	4,600
Iberville	8,600	5,100	West Baton Rouge	1,700	1,200
Jackson	4,800	1,700	West Carroll	13,000	7,000
Jefferson	1,500	1,000	West Feliciana	8,800	5,300
Jefferson Davis	17,800	11,100	Winn	3,200	1,600
La Salle	4,300	2/			
Lafayette	7,600	2/	<b>Combined Parishes<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>400</b>	<b>98,500</b>
Lafourche	15,400	9,400			
Lincoln	12,300	8,400	<b>State Total</b>	<b>790,000</b>	<b>452,000</b>
Livingston	7,100	2/			
Madison	3,000	1,700			
Morehouse	8,200	4,700			

<sup>1</sup> 2012 Preliminary data.

<sup>2</sup> Estimates for parishes having the commodity of interest but not meeting disclosure requirements are summed and published as "Combined Parishes".

# Milk

## Milk Cows and Production of Milk and Milkfat: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Year	Number of Milk Cows	Production per Milk Cow		Percent of Fat	Total Production	
		Milk	Milkfat		Milk	Milkfat
	--1,000 Head--	-----Pounds-----		----Percent----	-----Million Pounds-----	
2008	26	12,269	434	3.54	319	11.3
2009	23	11,870	420	3.54	273	9.7
2010	20	11,750	414	3.52	235	8.3
2011	18	12,889	467	3.62	232	8.4

## Production and Disposition: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Year	Total Production	Milk Used Where Produced			Milk Marketed by Producers to Plants and Dealers
		Fed to Calves	Used for Cream and	Total	
		-----Million Pounds-----			
2008	319	6	2	8	311
2009	273	5	1	6	267
2010	235	4	1	5	230
2011	232	4	1	5	227

## Value and Farm Income: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Year	Milk Sold to Plants and Dealers			Value of Milk, Cream and Consumed Produced	Gross Producer Income <sup>1</sup>
	Quantity	Price per 100 Pounds	Cash Receipts		
	Million Pounds	--Dollars--		-----1,000 Dollars-----	
2008	311	20.70	64,377	414	64,791
2009	267	14.20	37,914	142	38,056
2010	230	18.00	41,400	180	41,580
2011	227	21.90	49,713	219	49,932

<sup>1</sup> Cash Receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption.

## Hogs and Pigs

### Pig Crop - Sows Farrowed, Pigs Per Litter and Pigs Saved: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Year	Sows Farrowed	Pigs per Litter	Pigs Saved
	-----1,000 Head-----	-----Number-----	-----1,000 Head-----
<b>2008</b>	3.2	6.8	22
<b>2009</b>	1.7	8.3	14
<b>2010</b>	1.9	8.5	16
<b>2011</b>	2.1	9.6	20

### Inventory, Supply and Disposition: Louisiana, 2008-2011<sup>1</sup>

Year	Inventory Previous Dec. 1	Pig Crop	Inshipments	Marketings <sup>2</sup>	Farm Slaughter <sup>3</sup>	Deaths
	-----1,000 Head-----					
<b>2008</b>	11	22.4	2	22.7	1	0.7
<b>2009</b>	11	14.1	2	15.1	1	1.0
<b>2010</b>	10	16.1	2	16.3	1	0.8
<b>2011</b>	10	20.2	2	23.0	1	1.2

<sup>1</sup> Sum of inventory December 1, previous year, pig crop, and inshipments is equal to the sum of marketings, farm slaughter, deaths, and inventory December 1, current year.

<sup>2</sup> Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments; excludes interfarm sales within the state.

<sup>3</sup> Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.

### Production and Income: Louisiana, 2008-2011

Year	Production <sup>1</sup>	Marketings <sup>2</sup>	Average Price per 100 lbs	Value of Production <sup>3</sup>	Cash Receipts <sup>3,4</sup>	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
	-----1,000 Pounds-----	-----1,000 Pounds-----	--Dollars--	-----1,000 Dollars-----			
<b>2008</b>	4,713	4,427	38.60	1,817	1,709	75	1,784
<b>2009</b>	2,757	2,869	35.70	976	1,024	67	1,091
<b>2010</b>	3,212	3,097	44.60	1,425	1,381	83	1,464
<b>2011</b>	4,275	4,370	64.70	2,771	2,827	120	2,947

<sup>1</sup> Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the state.

<sup>3</sup> Includes allowance for higher average price of state inshipment and outshipment of feeder pigs.

<sup>4</sup> Receipts from marketings and sales of farm slaughter.

## Chickens

### Number on Farms, Rate of Lay and Egg Production: Louisiana, 2008-2011<sup>1</sup>

Year	Chickens on Farms,		Average Number of Layers During Year	Annual Rate of Lay per Hen <sup>2</sup>	Total Egg Production
	1-Dec				
	All Chickens	Value			
	--1,000 Head--	--1,000 Dollars--	-----1,000 Head-----	----Number----	---Million---
<b>2008</b>	2,365	8,041	1,848	259	479
<b>2009</b>	2,630	9,205	1,737	262	455
<b>2010</b>	2,680	10,720	1,759	263	462
<b>2011</b>	2,690	10,491	1,919	265	508

<sup>1</sup> Estimates cover the 12 month period December 1, previous year, through November 30 of year referenced.

<sup>2</sup> Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand.

## Layers

### Production and Income: Louisiana, 2008-2011<sup>1</sup>

Year	Pounds Sold	Price per Pound	Value of Production
	-----1,000 Pounds-----	-----Dollars-----	-----1,000 Dollars-----
<b>2008</b>	12,366	0.078	965
<b>2009</b>	9,986	0.080	799
<b>2010</b>	12,971	0.122	1,582
<b>2011</b>	9,095	0.133	1,210

<sup>1</sup> Estimates cover the 12 month period December 1, previous year, through November 30 of year referenced.

## Eggs

### Production Price and Value: Louisiana, 2008-2011<sup>1</sup>

Year	Eggs Produced	Price per Dozen <sup>2</sup>	Value of Production
	-----Million-----	-----Dollars-----	-----1,000 Dollars-----
<b>2008</b>	479	1.19	47,694
<b>2009</b>	455	1.00	38,009
<b>2010</b>	462	1.20	46,210
<b>2011</b>	508	1.30	55,250

<sup>1</sup> Estimates cover the 12 month period December 1, previous year, through November 30 of year referenced.

<sup>2</sup> Average of all eggs sold by producers, including hatching eggs.



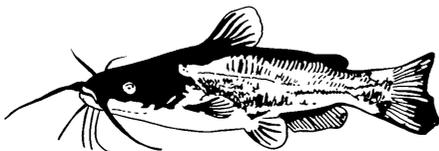
## Bees and Honey

Honey production from Louisiana producers with five or more colonies during 2011 totaled 2.8 million pounds, four percent below the 2010 level. Producers harvested honey from 36,000 colonies. Production per colony averaged 77 pounds.

Prices from the 2011 honey crop averaged \$1.67 per pound, up \$0.17 from 2010. Prices were based on retail sales by producers and sales to private processors and co-ops. Louisiana producers had 471,000 pounds of honey in stock on December 15, 2011, compared with 288,000 pounds on hand the previous year.

**Number of Colonies, Production, Stocks and Value: Louisiana, 2008-2011**

Year	Number of Colonies	Average Yield per Colony	Production	Stocks Dec 15 <sup>th</sup>	Average Price per Pound	Value of Production
	---1,000---	---Pounds---	-----1,000 Pounds-----		---Cents---	---\$1,000---
2008	40	77	3,080	493	136.0	4,186
2009	37	103	3,811	610	136.0	5,183
2010	36	80	2,880	288	150.0	4,320
2011	36	77	2,772	471	167.0	4,629



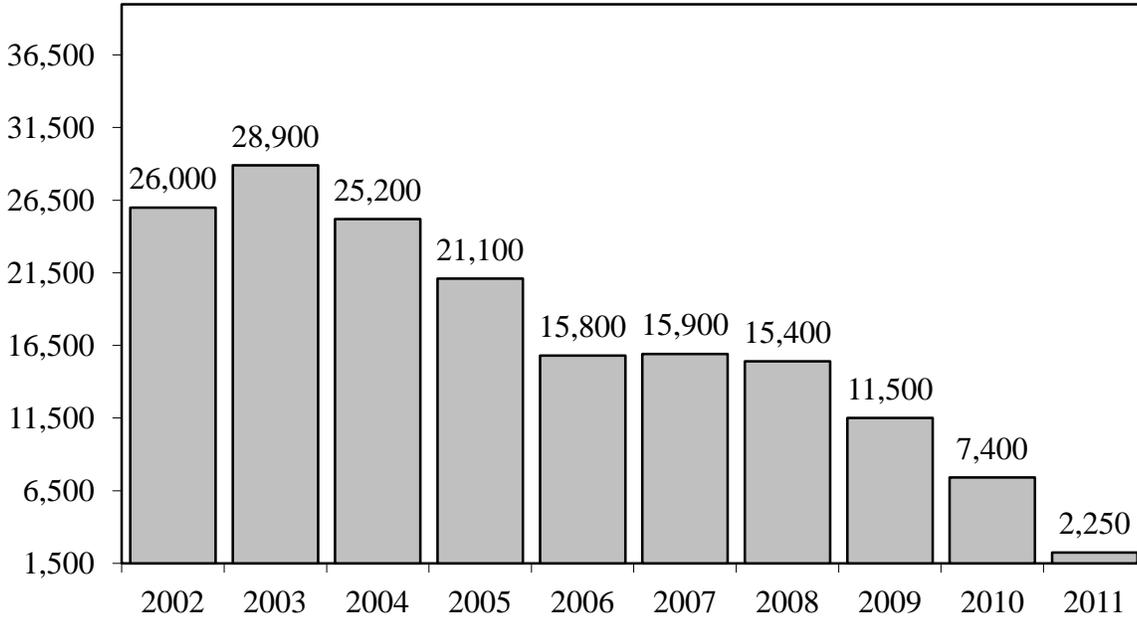
## Catfish

Louisiana ranks sixth in the nation in foodsize catfish production, water surface acres and total sales of catfish. Mississippi leads the nation in foodsize catfish production, followed by Alabama, Arkansas and Texas.

Total sales of catfish in Louisiana for the year 2011 were three million dollars, down 56 percent from sales in 2010. Farmers sold 2.3 million pounds of foodsize catfish in 2011 compared to 7.4 million pounds in 2010. Sales in 2011 averaged 1.16 cents per pound, up 35 cents from 2010.

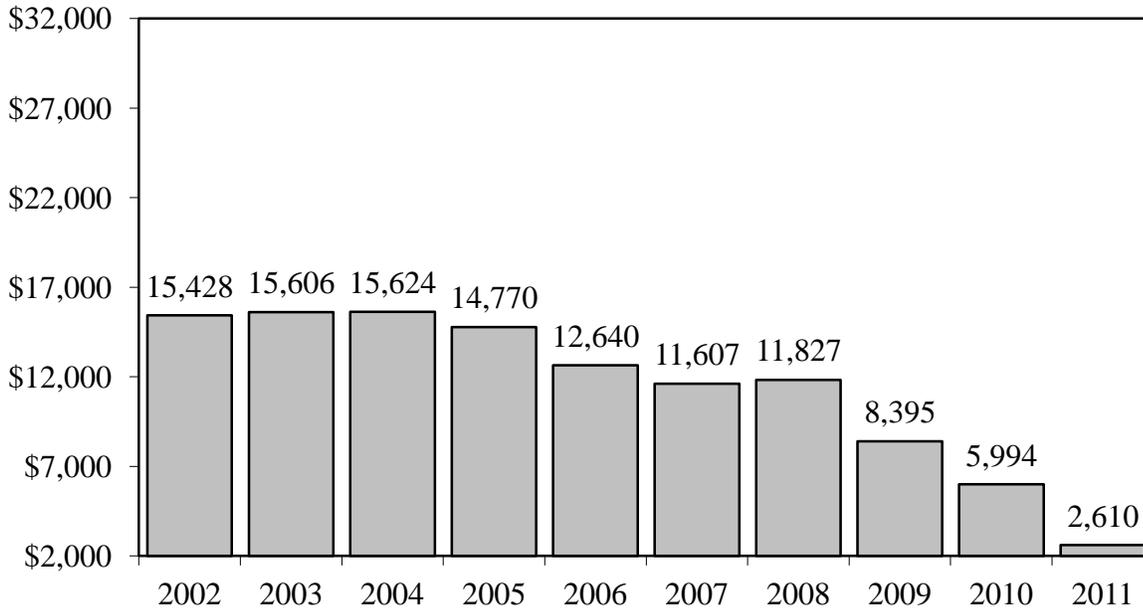
**CATFISH**  
**Pounds of Foodsize Fish Sold:**  
**Louisiana, 2002-2011**

Thousand Pounds



**CATFISH**  
**Value of Foodsize Fish Sold:**  
**Louisiana, 2002-2011**

Thousand Dollars



## Commercial Cattle Slaughter: Louisiana, 2008-2011

### Number of Head

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
-----1,000 Head-----													
<b>2008</b>	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.6	<b>7.5</b>
<b>2009</b>	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	<b>6.9</b>
<b>2010</b>	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	<b>5.5</b>
<b>2011</b>	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4	<b>6.1</b>

### Average Live Weight per Head

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg
-----Pounds-----													
<b>2008</b>	766	819	802	815	737	769	769	753	728	716	723	741	<b>759</b>
<b>2009</b>	734	769	766	758	776	738	712	691	733	705	720	714	<b>736</b>
<b>2010</b>	745	800	786	831	774	761	759	784	746	730	727	715	<b>763</b>
<b>2011</b>	772	839	800	774	824	741	709	761	722	729	736	770	<b>762</b>

### Total Live Weight

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
-----1,000 Pounds-----													
<b>2008</b>	470	438	489	517	472	461	420	487	531	553	473	415	<b>5,726</b>
<b>2009</b>	421	473	517	519	437	446	456	418	406	395	340	264	<b>5,091</b>
<b>2010</b>	279	355	381	394	351	325	341	320	422	355	333	352	<b>4,208</b>
<b>2011</b>	326	369	429	396	369	388	362	436	399	411	438	331	<b>4,654</b>

## Commercial Calf Slaughter: Louisiana, 2008-2011

### Number of Head

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
-----1,000 Head-----													
<b>2008</b>	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	<b>4.5</b>
<b>2009</b>	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	<b>4.4</b>
<b>2010</b>	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	<b>5.6</b>
<b>2011</b>	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	<b>4.7</b>

### Average Live Weight per Head

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg
-----Pounds-----													
<b>2008</b>	519	512	511	529	532	499	524	528	522	512	524	524	<b>519</b>
<b>2009</b>	514	517	522	530	527	506	507	504	537	494	516	502	<b>514</b>
<b>2010</b>	531	542	535	534	533	528	536	525	544	536	541	526	<b>534</b>
<b>2011</b>	523	541	537	538	533	525	524	486	512	518	454	534	<b>518</b>

### Total Live Weight

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
-----1,000 Pounds-----													
<b>2008</b>	129	160	143	162	137	176	228	161	268	309	265	207	<b>2,345</b>
<b>2009</b>	173	164	158	133	182	180	183	180	255	221	218	210	<b>2,259</b>
<b>2010</b>	278	241	231	239	229	246	210	250	274	326	248	197	<b>2,968</b>
<b>2011</b>	243	180	223	173	220	176	167	166	207	236	216	214	<b>2,420</b>

## Commercial Hog Slaughter: Louisiana, 2008-2011

### Number of Head

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
-----1,000 Head-----													
<b>2008</b>	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.4	1.4	1.8	<b>15.6</b>
<b>2009</b>	1.0	0.9	1.5	1.4	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.5	<b>13.2</b>
<b>2010</b>	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.2	1.5	<b>11.8</b>
<b>2011</b>	0.9	1.0	1.3	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.5	1.4	<b>11.9</b>

### Average Live Weight per Head

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg
-----Pounds-----													
<b>2008</b>	209	238	234	211	196	186	173	191	201	183	173	140	<b>195</b>
<b>2009</b>	182	211	230	185	201	191	200	193	179	184	182	161	<b>191</b>
<b>2010</b>	190	188	205	201	179	189	190	181	190	197	164	159	<b>185</b>
<b>2011</b>	184	189	213	192	204	194	186	204	174	192	157	146	<b>184</b>

### Total Live Weight

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
-----1,000 Pounds-----													
<b>2008</b>	315	381	402	269	216	192	168	181	174	249	244	258	<b>3,048</b>
<b>2009</b>	178	201	347	254	178	177	162	148	191	205	226	249	<b>2,515</b>
<b>2010</b>	161	217	290	185	141	149	140	124	173	174	190	237	<b>2,182</b>
<b>2011</b>	158	184	268	189	165	173	133	155	148	176	239	205	<b>2,193</b>

## Commercial Sheep and Lamb Slaughter: Louisiana, 2008-2011

### Number of Head

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
-----1,000 Head-----													
<b>2008</b>	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	<b>3.8</b>
<b>2009</b>	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	<b>4.2</b>
<b>2010</b>	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	<b>4.1</b>
<b>2011</b>	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	<b>3.7</b>

### Average Live Weight per Head

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg
-----Pounds-----													
<b>2008</b>	83	96	86	68	64	64	65	64	64	69	68	62	<b>71</b>
<b>2009</b>	58	77	89	55	59	62	56	60	60	60	60	60	<b>64</b>
<b>2010</b>	66	88	76	76	60	63	63	56	71	63	58	54	<b>66</b>
<b>2011</b>	62	69	78	64	59	58	59	58	63	66	62	61	<b>63</b>

### Total Live Weight

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
-----1,000 Pounds-----													
<b>2008</b>	16	38	29	21	14	17	23	25	21	23	18	22	<b>268</b>
<b>2009</b>	11	23	40	22	18	29	18	25	27	17	18	18	<b>266</b>
<b>2010</b>	16	24	28	21	18	21	21	30	27	28	17	15	<b>266</b>
<b>2011</b>	14	18	20	17	15	19	22	26	18	27	22	16	<b>233</b>

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