



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, August 18, 2013

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 5.2

Soil moisture supplies: 7% very short, 28% short, 54% adequate and 11% surplus

Field Crops Report

Scattered showers were received across the state, with triple digit temperatures reported in some locations statewide. Corn maturing, cotton setting bolls, rice headed, sorghum coloring, soybeans blooming & setting pod, and hay second cutting were nearing completion. Rice harvest was doing well with the extremely dry weather. Rice harvest reached 51% complete, 17 points ahead of last week, 4 points behind last year, and 8 points ahead of the 5-year average. Sugarcane planting has begun in some areas.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers continued preparation for fall planting and harvesting. Peach harvest was completed. Citrus producers continued scouting for insects and diseases.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pastures received much needed rain in some areas of the state. Cattlemen continued working livestock.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2012	5 YR AVG
Corn	Mature	97	93	100	99
	Harvested	39	14	71	61
Cotton	Setting Bolls	99	96	100	99
	Bolls Opening	26	10	35	40
Rice	Headed	97	95	100	98
	Ripe	79	65	85	74
	Harvested	51	34	55	43
Sorghum	Coloring	96	87	100	99
	Mature	78	58	90	90
	Harvested	40	12	66	57
Soybeans	Blooming	99	98	100	100
	Setting Pods	94	91	99	96
	Turning Color	17	5	46	43
	Dropping Leaves	8	1	24	23
Sugarcane	Planted	18	9	27	23
Hay	Second Cutting	93	88	90	85
Peaches	Harvested	100	99	100	99

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	0	23	61	16
Cotton	0	0	24	61	15
Rice	0	2	23	55	20
Sorghum	0	4	35	52	9
Soybeans	0	4	24	51	21
Sugarcane	1	7	27	49	16
Livestock	1	4	30	57	8
Vegetables	2	16	42	39	1
Pasture	2	10	41	41	6

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 08/12/13 TO 08/18/13

	AIR TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION			NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVE	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	98	60	82	82	0.12	1.87	25.12	33.50
Minden	96	61	79	82	0.18	2.75	36.19	35.95
Mooringsport	96	60	78	MM	0.09	1.15	25.34	29.56
Shreveport South	(101)	62	80	MM	0.09	1.63	24.75	MM.MM
Extreme/Average	101	60	79	82	0.09	1.39	24.75	34.16
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	96	58	78	83	0.48	2.28	37.85	36.54
Homer/Hill Farm	94	(57)	76	81	1.58	5.01	31.65	35.98
Farmerville	96	59	77	MM	0.12	2.42	33.03	MM.MM
Extreme/Average	96	57	77	82	0.85	2.42	MM.MM	37.17
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	93	64	78	82	0.00	3.51	39.55	39.36
LSU-St Joseph	95	66	79	82	0.80	2.78	41.28	37.96
Tallulah	95	64	80	81	0.25	2.96	43.15	39.20
Extreme/Average	95	64	78	82	0.00	3.51	MM.MM	38.47
4. West-Central								
Leesville	100	63	80	81	1.29	2.67	35.11	36.86
Ashland	96	59	78	81	0.80	3.26	28.50	36.10
Hodges Gardens	100	64	81	MM	0.83	1.92	32.66	36.68
Extreme/Average	100	59	79	82	1.05	2.67	MM.MM	36.32
5. Central								
Alexandria	97	66	82	83	2.82	5.30	40.00	38.65
Jonesville Locks	93	66	79	82	4.79	5.79	44.95	38.39
Eunice	96	65	81	83	0.48	2.48	51.18	38.23
Bunkie	97	65	79	82	2.35	2.97	46.21	39.92
New Roads 5 NE	MM	MM	MM	82	1.85	6.32	55.08	39.78
Extreme/Average	97	65	80	82	2.61	2.73	MM.MM	39.10
6. East-Central								
BTR-Concord	MM	MM	MM	MM	3.75	5.78	56.02	43.75
LSU-Hammond	92	70	79	82	3.70	5.62	53.68	43.09
Slidell	90	71	79	82	2.09	4.43	47.24	42.21
Extreme/Average	92	70	MM	82	M.MM	M.MM	MM.MM	43.25
7. Southwest								
De Ridder	97	66	81	82	0.70	1.25	32.66	38.90
Jennings	95	68	81	82	0.63	2.55	49.98	37.96
LSU-Crowley	97	69	82	82	1.71	3.76	49.10	38.96
Oberlin Fire Tow	96	66	81	83	0.03	1.36	36.91	42.54
Extreme/Average	97	66	81	82	0.45	1.96	43.45	38.97
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	93	70	80	82	4.53	7.76	50.29	40.59
LSU-Jeanerette	93	71	81	81	1.98	5.12	56.08	40.74
Morgan City	93	72	81	81	0.88	4.96	44.56	42.23
Lafayette	95	68	81	82	1.87	2.89	48.93	39.46
Extreme/Average	95	68	81	82	2.43	6.36	50.29	41.29
9. Southeast								
Grand Isle	MM	MM	MM	MM	2.40	6.90	33.28	36.99
Galliano	92	72	81	82	2.15	5.14	48.84	43.85
NO Audubon Park	MM	MM	MM	83	1.74	2.42	42.36	42.43
Gonzales	MM	MM	MM	MM	3.47	6.67	51.26	43.26
Extreme/Average	92	72	81	83	2.15	M.MM	MM.MM	42.54
State Averages	101	57	80	82	1.27	2.80	40.09	38.23

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through August 18, 2013

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