



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 6.4

Soil moisture supplies: 9% very short, 39% short, 48% adequate and 4% surplus

Field Crops Report

Hot and dry conditions continued across the northern part of the State while the south had a few scattered showers. Harvesting of most crops made excellent progress. Reports of reduced soybean yields in some of the dryer areas were received. Rice harvest was nearly complete in a couple of southwestern parishes. Fertilizing and flooding of ratoon (second-crop) rice continued. Sugarcane planting also continued.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers continued harvesting activities. Peanut harvest continued. Fertilizing and laying plastic in strawberry fields was reported in Southeast Louisiana as was irrigating of cabbage and cucumber fields. Citrus producers were checking for insects and diseases.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Weaning and marketing of calves continued. Preparations for early planted ryegrass advanced slightly.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2012	5 YR AVG
Corn	Harvested	89	63	94	87
Cotton	Bolls Opening	63	36	66	69
Rice	Headed	100	99	100	100
	Ripe	94	84	98	92
	Harvested	79	61	80	69
Sorghum	Coloring	100	99	100	100
	Mature	93	88	98	99
	Harvested	74	54	90	82
Soybeans	Setting Pods	99	97	100	100
	Turning Color	54	37	66	64
	Dropping Leaves	33	14	46	47
	Harvested	7	3	28	24
Sugarcane	Planted	51	32	43	49
Hay	Second Cutting	97	96	96	92
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	10	4	8	8

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	0	27	59	14
Cotton	0	0	29	59	12
Rice	0	2	25	54	19
Sorghum	0	3	34	53	10
Soybeans	0	3	21	54	22
Sugarcane	1	7	23	54	15
Sweet Potatoes	0	1	28	71	0
Livestock	1	6	37	50	6
Vegetables	2	19	42	35	2
Pasture	3	14	46	34	3

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 08/26/13 TO 09/01/13

	AIR TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY TOTAL	PRECIPITATION			NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVE	NRM		FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE		
1. Northwest									
LSU-Bossier City	98	70	84	80	0.00	0.19	25.19	34.76	
Minden	99	70	84	80	0.00	0.18	36.19	37.20	
Mooringsport	101	71	85	MM	0.00	0.76	25.34	30.88	
Shreveport South	(102)	70	85	MM	0.00	0.09	24.75	MMMMM	
Extreme/Average	102	70	84	80	0.00	0.15	24.75	35.46	
2. North-Central									
LSU-Calhoun	97	64	80	81	0.00	0.70	38.07	37.94	
Homer/Hill Farm	96	65	80	79	0.00	1.58	31.65	37.34	
Farmerville	98	68	84	MM	0.00	0.12	33.03	MMMMM	
Extreme/Average	98	64	81	80	0.00	0.12	MMMMM	38.58	
3. Northeast									
Lake Providence	95	68	81	80	0.00	1.18	39.55	40.61	
LSU-St Joseph	95	63	81	81	0.00	0.80	41.28	39.36	
LSU-Winnsboro	MM	MM	MM	80	MMMM	MMMM	33.25	38.84	
Tallulah	MM	MM	MM	80	0.00	0.76	43.45	40.54	
Extreme/Average	95	63	81	80	0.00	1.18	MMMMM	39.74	
4. West-Central									
Leesville	98	67	81	80	0.20	1.79	35.31	38.55	
Ashland	98	66	82	79	0.00	0.80	28.50	37.42	
Hodges Gardens	97	69	83	MM	0.04	1.06	32.89	38.36	
Extreme/Average	98	66	82	80	0.10	1.30	MMMMM	37.87	
5. Central									
Alexandria	95	71	82	82	0.06	4.00	40.82	40.61	
Jonesville Locks	92	69	81	81	0.00	4.79	48.95	39.84	
Eunice	96	70	82	82	0.04	1.28	51.29	40.36	
Bunkie	93	68	80	81	0.43	3.03	46.89	41.70	
New Roads 5 NE	97	67	81	81	0.00	4.03	55.11	42.12	
Extreme/Average	97	67	81	81	0.13	3.09	55.11	40.97	
6. East-Central									
Norwood	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.00	6.40	50.57	MMMMM	
BTR-Concord	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.27	4.60	56.85	46.30	
LSU-Hammond	93	(61)	78	81	0.04	4.18	53.85	45.90	
Slidell	90	65	79	81	0.06	3.02	47.63	44.77	
Extreme/Average	93	61	78	81	0.05	4.18	53.85	45.64	
7. Southwest									
DeRidder	96	70	82	81	0.68	1.63	33.59	40.79	
Jennings	94	71	81	81	0.29	3.43	51.09	40.22	
LSU-Crowley	95	68	80	81	0.34	5.54	51.94	41.20	
Oberlin Fire Tower	94	70	81	81	0.75	1.41	38.29	44.75	
Extreme/Average	96	68	81	81	0.52	3.00	47.11	41.36	
8. South-Central									
Donaldsonville	90	65	78	81	1.41	8.38	52.62	43.15	
LSU-Jeanerette	93	67	79	80	1.17	4.77	57.91	43.61	
Morgan City	94	70	81	81	0.42	3.43	45.74	45.55	
Lafayette	93	71	82	81	1.30	3.23	50.24	41.46	
Extreme/Average	94	65	80	81	1.08	5.53	52.62	44.09	
9. Southeast									
Grand Isle	90	71	81	MM	1.20	8.64	39.07	39.75	
Galliano	90	69	79	81	0.43	5.17	50.51	47.02	
NO Audubon Park	92	70	81	83	0.19	3.35	43.94	45.34	
Gonzales	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.73	4.71	52.17	46.06	
Extreme/Average	92	69	81	82	0.61	4.26	MMMMM	45.42	
State Averages	102	61	81	81	0.27	2.58	48.11	41.54	

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