



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 5.4

**Soil moisture supplies:** 3% very short, 27% short, 60% adequate and 10% surplus

### Field Crops Report

Last week was a lot drier than the previous week. Overall, the state averaged only .91 inch of rain compared to nearly 4 inches the previous week. Cotton and soybean harvesting was active. Soybean yields were mixed due to some fields remaining dry for most of the growing season. Asian rust in a late planted soybean field was reported in South Central Louisiana. Sugarcane planting was nearly completed. Harvesting of the sugarcane crop was just getting underway. Some more hay was put up during last week's good weather.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Planting strawberries was active as was planting winter vegetables. Citrus producers were getting ready to start picking satsumas.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Winter pasture planting progressed last week. Weaning and marketing of calves continued. Some cattle in South Central Louisiana were being stressed by high mosquito populations.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2012	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Bolls Opening	95	88	100	97
	Harvested	30	15	57	48
Pecans	Harvested	3	N/A	5	2
Rice	Harvested	99	96	99	94
Sorghum	Harvested	100	97	100	99
Soybeans	Turning Color	97	92	96	97
	Dropping Leaves	88	80	88	87
	Harvested	68	46	71	65
Sugarcane	Planted	96	92	89	86
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	40	35	40	30
Winter Wheat	Planted	1	N/A	1	3

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Cotton	0	0	28	54	18
Soybeans	0	6	19	57	18
Sugarcane	2	6	22	53	17
Sweet Potatoes	0	1	24	75	0
Pecans	3	11	47	34	5
Livestock	1	6	34	51	8
Vegetables	2	18	43	34	3
Pasture	3	16	44	33	4

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 09/23/13 TO 09/29/13

	AIR TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY TOTAL	PRECIPITATION		
	MAX	MIN	AVE	NRM		FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
<b>1. Northwest</b>								
LSU-Bossier City	MM	MM	MM	73	0.00	3.45	28.64	37.61
Minden	90	55	74	72	2.26	6.53	42.72	40.72
Mooringsport	91	55	74	MM	0.00	6.68	32.02	34.06
Shreveport South	92	55	74	MM	2.65	6.73	31.48	MMMMM
Extreme/Average	92	55	74	73	2.46	6.63	31.48	38.62
<b>2. North-Central</b>								
LSU-Calhoun	89	50	72	73	1.00	4.03	42.10	41.08
Homer/Hill Farm	89	(48)	70	72	1.92	4.77	36.42	41.09
Farmerville	89	55	75	MM	0.75	4.39	37.42	MMMMM
Extreme/Average	89	48	73	73	0.88	4.21	MMMMM	42.01
<b>3. Northeast</b>								
Lake Providence	87	57	74	73	1.10	3.01	42.56	43.36
LSU-St Joseph	MM	MM	MM	74	1.65	5.96	47.24	42.22
LSU-Winnsboro	MM	MM	MM	73	0.57	2.66	35.91	41.52
Tallulah	(95)	56	75	72	0.05	3.39	46.84	43.49
Extreme/Average	95	56	74	73	1.10	3.01	MMMMM	42.59
<b>4. West-Central</b>								
Leesville	93	55	75	73	2.34	6.10	41.41	42.48
Ashland	90	53	73	72	2.24	5.46	33.96	40.61
Hodges Gardens	92	56	75	MM	0.00	2.94	36.67	41.78
Extreme/Average	93	53	74	73	2.29	5.78	MMMMM	41.34
<b>5. Central</b>								
Alexandria	91	61	76	75	1.59	5.71	46.53	44.33
Jonesville Locks	MM	MM	MM	74	0.50	4.17	53.12	43.01
Eunice	91	61	77	76	0.02	11.24	62.53	44.98
Bunkie	89	61	75	74	0.00	4.61	51.50	45.64
New Roads 5 NE	91	63	78	75	0.26	5.35	60.46	46.70
Extreme/Average	91	61	76	75	0.47	6.73	60.46	45.02
<b>6. East-Central</b>								
Norwood	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.22	5.33	55.90	MMMMM
BTR-Concord	MM	MM	MM	MM	0.06	8.08	64.94	50.36
LSU-Hammond	90	59	75	74	0.56	4.90	58.75	50.18
Slidell	87	63	76	75	0.05	5.65	53.28	49.61
Extreme/Average	90	59	76	75	0.05	5.65	MMMMM	50.10
<b>7. Southwest</b>								
DeRidder	91	60	76	75	0.39	4.57	38.16	45.14
Jennings	93	63	78	75	0.21	4.32	55.41	45.70
LSU-Crowley	MM	MM	MM	76	0.02	3.40	55.34	45.81
Oberlin Fire Tower	91	60	76	75	0.00	8.19	46.48	50.28
Extreme/Average	93	60	77	76	0.20	4.57	MMMMM	46.49
<b>8. South-Central</b>								
Donaldsonville	90	62	76	75	0.33	4.40	57.02	48.30
LSU-Jeanerette	90	63	75	75	0.35	4.84	62.75	48.92
Morgan City	90	66	77	76	0.04	5.41	51.15	51.64
Lafayette	92	64	77	75	0.10	4.30	55.04	45.94
Extreme/Average	92	62	76	76	0.19	4.91	57.02	49.37
<b>9. Southeast</b>								
Grand Isle	90	71	81	MM	1.50	2.14	41.21	45.00
Galliano	89	67	78	76	0.51	4.86	55.37	52.97
NO Audubon Park	MM	MM	MM	77	0.16	7.23	51.17	51.02
Gonzales	MM	MM	MM	MM	1.01	8.66	60.83	50.29
Extreme/Average	90	67	81	77	1.50	MMMM	MMMMM	51.20
<b>State</b>								
State Averages	95	48	76	75	0.91	5.22	52.16	44.34

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