



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Week Ending November 9, 2014

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, November 9, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 6 percent very short, 37 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 36 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 35.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 58.8 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. Highs ranged from 64.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Farmerville to 74.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Morgan City. The precipitation for this week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the northwest part of the state with an average of 1.18 inches.

Crop progress for week ending November 9, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cotton, harvested	97	94	99	93
Pecans, harvested	37	30	39	46
Soybeans, harvested	99	98	100	98
Sugarcane, harvested	40	32	39	43
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	84	81	95	84
Winter Wheat, planted	63	47	64	-
Winter Wheat, emerged	35	10	35	23

Crop condition for week ending November 9, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Livestock	0	7	36	49	8
Pecans	8	16	31	40	5
Pasture	1	19	38	37	5
Sugarcane	2	10	32	41	15
Vegetables	1	17	35	41	6

Comments from Extension Agents

“Sugarcane harvest is going well; citrus producers have sweet fruit for sale; cattlemen need rain on pastures and vegetable producers selling produce.”

– B Barton Joffrion Jr., Terrebonne Parish

“Small amount of rain received during the week which should help recently planted ryegrass. Sugarcane harvest continues to proceed well.”

– Blair Hebert, Iberia Parish

“Ryegrass is emerging from recent rains, more is being planted. Cattlemen have begun supplementing cattle with feed in some cases. Rice second crop is being harvested now with good yields. Cane harvest has been under good conditions.”

– Andrew Granger, Vermillion Parish

“Some areas received rain on Thursday that really helped ryegrass fields. Second crop harvest in full swing, producers trying to get second crop rice out to flood fields for duck hunters.”

– Barrett Courville, Acadia Parish

“Light rain across most of the parish helped to settle dust. Cane harvest continues to rapidly advance. Dry weather is allowing growers to plow and make good field preparations for spring planting. Light frosts have damaged some hay fields. Many cattle producers are dealing with poor hay quality and the need for additional moisture to develop cool season pastures. Pecan quality has been damaged by stinkbugs and scab fungus.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

(Temperatures and precipitation for the week ending November 9, 2014 were not available at press time.)