



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report



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Week Ending May 29, 2016

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 29, 2016. Topsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 12 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 5 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Dry weather conditions throughout most of the state with some areas receiving rain towards the end of the week.

Crop progress for week ending May 29, 2016

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, silking	35	4	15	30
Cotton, planted	92	79	90	94
Cotton, emerged	80	59	69	81
Cotton, squaring	2	NA	1	2
Hay, first cutting	61	53	46	66
Rice, planted	99	97	100	100
Rice, emerged	97	95	97	97
Rice, headed	1	NA	0	0
Sorghum, planted	98	96	99	99
Sorghum, emerged	92	92	96	95
Soybeans, planted	90	82	84	87
Soybeans, emerged	85	73	79	79
Soybeans, blooming	2	NA	0	2
Sweet Potatoes, planted	23	16	18	31
Winter Wheat, coloring	97	85	93	96
Winter Wheat, harvested	31	8	25	49

Crop condition for week ending May 29, 2016

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	0	11	42	46	1
Cotton	0	4	24	68	4
Livestock	0	3	23	65	9
Pasture	0	7	29	57	7
Rice	1	5	29	61	4
Sorghum	0	6	29	50	15
Soybeans	0	3	19	72	6
Sugarcane	1	2	26	51	20
Vegetables	1	5	19	68	7
Winter Wheat	0	14	35	51	0

NA = Not Available.

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Received timely rain this past week. Corn in various stages of growth due to extended planting. Some late planted cotton on flooded ground. Soybeans looking good.”

– Carol Pinnell-Alison, Franklin Parish

“Very dry conditions and rain is in the forecast for the coming week possibly the weekend. Watermelons are fine but sweet corn, tomatoes and others needing some rain for those without irrigation.”

– Henry Harrison, Washington Parish

“Drier, sunnier weather allowed for good progress on cane fields and allowed for late planted rice to establish and speeded growth and development. Cattle ranchers continued to work cows and calves and some hay was harvested. Most of the rice was at green ring or beyond with some beginning to head.”

– Andrew Granger, Vermilion Parish

“Heavy rains toward the end of the week halted fieldwork. Sugarcane continues to make good growth and hot temperatures seem to be depressing brown rust development. Home gardeners are digging potatoes, onions and garlic and harvesting spring tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers and snap beans. Blackberries, blueberries and peaches are producing in home orchards.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

“Dry, favorable conditions during the past week allowed much progress in the field. The majority of sugarcane farmers are finished fertilizing and are working on lay by.”

– Sarah Everhart, Jefferson Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for
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Not Available