



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report



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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, June 26, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 22 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 17 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 70.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Calhoun to 77.0 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. Highs ranged from 88.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Slidell to 94.5 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. Hot and dry conditions were prevalent throughout most of the state accounted for good condition for growth. The central part of the state received the highest average of rain concentration at 2.17 inches.

Crop progress for week ending June 26, 2016

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, silking	94	89	97	99
Corn, dough	47	24	48	48
Cotton, emerged	98	96	100	100
Cotton, squaring	58	42	64	68
Cotton, setting bolls	8	1	12	15
Hay, first cutting	89	84	83	93
Rice, headed	45	34	43	36
Sorghum, headed	75	49	65	66
Sorghum, coloring	2	NA	NA	4
Soybeans, planted	99	99	99	98
Soybeans, emerged	98	97	96	96
Soybeans, blooming	62	49	64	53
Soybeans, setting pods	8	NA	26	10
Sweet Potatoes, planted	87	69	83	91
Winter Wheat, harvested	100	99	98	99

Crop condition for week ending June 26, 2016

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	0	8	40	48	4
Cotton	0	5	20	70	5
Livestock	0	4	21	67	8
Pasture	0	7	26	59	8
Rice	0	5	27	60	8
Sorghum	0	2	18	63	17
Soybeans	0	2	22	68	8
Sugarcane	1	1	16	60	22
Vegetables	1	5	21	67	6
Sweet Potatoes	0	0	20	75	5

NA = Not Available.

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Crops are still looking good. It is getting drier, temperatures slightly higher than normal with high humidity making field work uncomfortable. Some corn beginning to dent.”

– Carol Pinnell-Allison, Franklin Parish

“Most Crops are in good shape and in heavy production at this time. Much of rice and grain sorghum crops are headed out, the corn crop also appears to be well advanced. An insect and disease presence are in many crops, stink bug populations in rice and soybeans are a concern at this time. Hay balers were in high gear last week as producers were finally able to get to their hay fields with good conditions. Livestock are battling the heat, and feral hogs are also making their presence as crops mature with damage being reported in rice reaching milk and dough stages as well in jointing sugarcane.”

– Vincent Deshotel, Saint Landry Parish

“Hot temperatures in South East LA with minimal rainfall. Some scattered showers but the weather conditions are great for harvesting; okra, corn, peas, beans and other warm season crops. Area producers will start harvesting watermelons this week. Livestock producers are selling spring calves in our area market.”

– Ahmad Robertson, Saint Helena Parish

“Hot and for the most part sunny weather allowed for some hay harvest. Many farmers are draining fields in preparation for harvest. Cane is making good growth and late planted rice is developing rapidly. Heat stress especially on black bulls is a problem.”

– Andrew Granger, Vermilion Parish

“As field conditions have improved sugarcane farmers have been busy working/preparing fallow ground. With a Section 18 granted for the cane fly; sugarcane farmers are monitoring fields and spraying where needed. This will be an added expense, and still too early to tell long term effect on yields. Early planted soybeans on cane rows continue to grow well; and farmers are busy monitoring and spraying for insect control. Cattle producers cutting pastures and making hay. Quality may be down as many pastures have been too wet to bail.”

– Blair Hebert, Iberia Parish

“Dry weather allowed producers a good opportunity to get in the field during the past week. Sugarcane producers are preparing for planting, working fallow fields and putting up rows.”

– Mariah Simoneaux, Saint James Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending June 26, 2016

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Minden	91.6	73.0	82.3	80.2	2.1	0.00	0	-1.22	5.28	0.71
Mooringsport	90.0	74.4	82.2	81.1	1.1	0.01	1	-1.20	1.80	-2.73
Red River	91.2	74.8	83.0	81.4	1.8	NA	NA	NA	3.25	-0.77
Shreveport	91.5	71.3	81.4	80.9	0.6	0.00	0	-1.04	4.52	0.20
Extreme/Average	91.1	73.4	82.2	80.9	1.4	0.00	1	-1.15	3.71	-0.65
North Central										
Calhoun	90.3	70.0	80.2	79.4	0.8	0.16	2	-0.80	6.15	2.24
Farmerville	90.0	74.6	82.3	80.2	2.1	0.00	0	-1.42	3.93	-1.47
Homer	90.4	72.0	81.2	78.5	2.9	0.10	1	-0.73	1.51	-1.78
Extreme/Average	90.2	72.2	81.2	79.3	1.9	0.09	2	-0.98	3.86	-0.34
Northeast										
Lake Providence	90.6	74.1	82.4	80.9	1.5	0.13	1	-0.69	4.05	2.04
St Joseph	91.4	73.4	82.4	81.5	1.0	1.83	1	1.15	6.37	2.83
Tallulah	93.5	75.7	84.6	80.6	4.0	1.08	1	0.20	5.10	1.67
Winnsboro	NA	NA	NA	81.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00	-0.82
Extreme/Average	91.8	74.4	83.1	81.0	2.1	1.01	1	0.22	3.88	1.43
West Central										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	79.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hodges Gardens	91.0	71.8	81.4	81.0	0.5	NA	NA	NA	5.12	1.23
Leesville	92.3	70.3	81.3	79.8	1.5	0.62	2	-0.63	8.82	4.09
Natchitoches	90.6	74.0	82.3	81.7	0.5	0.03	1	-1.34	4.24	-0.16
Extreme/Average	91.3	72.0	81.7	80.6	0.8	0.33	2	-0.99	6.06	1.72
Central										
Alexandria	91.3	73.7	82.5	81.8	0.7	0.55	2	-0.83	3.86	-1.03
Bunkie	91.5	73.3	82.4	81.2	1.2	2.90	2	1.81	7.70	3.16
Eunice	NA	NA	NA	82.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jonesville Locks	89.3	74.7	82.0	81.2	0.8	3.05	1	1.89	4.78	0.39
New Roads	93.0	72.5	82.8	81.9	1.1	NA	NA	NA	4.87	0.25
Extreme/Average	91.3	73.5	82.4	81.8	0.9	2.17	2	0.96	5.30	0.69
East Central										
Baton Rouge	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.22	1	-0.58	7.99	1.57
Hammond	NA	NA	NA	80.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Norwood	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.07	2	NA	5.15	NA
Slidell	88.0	72.6	80.3	NA	NA	0.25	1	NA	3.48	NA
Extreme/Average	88.0	72.6	80.3	80.5	NA	0.51	2	-0.58	5.54	1.57
Southwest										
Crowley	89.5	74.0	81.8	81.5	0.4	NA	NA	NA	6.49	1.05
DeRidder	89.6	71.6	80.6	81.1	-0.5	NA	0	-1.63	5.04	-0.55
Jennings	89.9	74.6	82.2	81.4	0.9	0.73	3	-0.93	5.93	-0.14
Oberlin Fire	89.9	72.3	81.1	80.8	0.3	0.43	3	-1.25	3.58	-2.48
Extreme/Average	89.7	73.1	81.4	81.2	0.3	0.58	3	-1.27	5.26	-0.53
South Central										
Donaldsonville	91.3	72.9	82.1	81.1	1.0	0.50	2	-1.27	7.88	1.36
Jeanerette	89.0	72.6	80.8	81.5	-0.6	0.12	2	-1.38	5.06	-1.44
Lafayette	NA	NA	NA	80.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Morgan City	92.7	72.8	82.8	81.2	1.6	1.58	2	0.02	5.49	0.07
Extreme/Average	91.0	72.8	81.9	81.2	0.7	0.73	2	-0.88	6.14	0.00
Southeast										
Galliano	87.2	74.0	80.6	81.5	-0.9	0.00	0	-1.88	6.41	0.55
Gonzales	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.16	1	-0.62	11.96	5.83
Grand Isle	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Orleans	94.5	77.0	86.3	NA	NA	0.01	1	NA	6.61	NA
Extreme/Average	90.8	75.5	83.4	81.5	-0.9	0.39	1	-1.25	8.33	3.19
State	90.5	73.3	82.0	80.9	0.7	0.72	1	-0.60	5.39	0.77

DFN = Departure from Normal.

Normal = Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.

NA = Not Available.