



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report



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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 10, 2016. Topsoil moisture supplies were 5 percent very short, 43 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent very short, 35 percent short, 57 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 67.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Bunkie to 81.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano. Highs ranged from 91.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano to 96.4 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. Hot and dry conditions were prevalent throughout most of the state which accounted for good conditions for growth. The east central part of the state received the highest average of rain concentration at 0.69 inches.

Crop progress for week ending July 10, 2016

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, silking	100	98	100	100
Corn, dough	85	67	90	89
Corn, dent	46	17	54	30
Cotton, squaring	85	75	88	92
Cotton, setting bolls	46	19	38	51
Hay, first cutting	98	93	95	98
Hay, second cutting	33	6	21	39
Rice, headed	70	57	72	64
Rice, mature	6	2	3	3
Sorghum, headed	91	86	89	89
Sorghum, coloring	38	20	26	36
Soybeans, emerged	100	99	100	100
Soybeans, blooming	81	74	83	76
Soybeans, setting pods	54	39	61	52
Sweet Potatoes, planted	98	93	96	99

Crop condition for week ending July 10, 2016

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	1	12	32	51	4
Cotton	0	5	14	73	8
Livestock	0	4	25	64	7
Pasture	1	8	29	55	7
Rice	0	5	28	57	10
Sorghum	0	2	19	63	16
Soybeans	0	3	25	63	9
Sugarcane	1	1	17	59	22
Sweet Potatoes	0	1	20	74	5
Vegetables	1	7	27	62	3

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“We are dry and need a rain. Producers trying to keep irrigation going to meet crop needs. Early planted corn is drying out. Forage growth slowed due to dry conditions.”

– Carol Pinnell-Alison, Franklin Parish

“Scattered showers interrupted fieldwork throughout the week. High temperatures coupled with high humidity limited grazing time by forcing livestock into the shade early in the day. Cane growers continued spraying for West Indian cane flies and prepared land for cane planting that will commence in a couple of weeks. Cane is comparatively taller than average for this time of year and should have a good planting ratio. Rice and soybeans are making good progress with growers making some fungicide applications. Pears are starting to ripen and the bulk of the fig crop has been harvested.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

“Starting to get dry with some scattered rainfall over weekend. A few rice fields are getting close to harvest this week. A lot of hay pastures cut last week, some fertilizer fields for second cutting in hopes of rain. Soybeans need a good rain this week for proper growth.”

– Jimmy Meaux, Calcasieu Parish

“Hot and Dry weather. Work continues in fields. 105 heat index for the last five days.”

– Reed Himel, Terrebonne Parish

“Rice is progressing well and many fields are drained and getting ready for cutting. Insect pressure has been sporadic as well as disease pressure. More cases of spotty blast are starting to emerge. Soybeans are looking very good and are developing very well. Many fields are still flowering and some are setting some pods. Soybean fields could use a good rain as field conditions are starting to dry. Hay cutting has made great progress and a lot of first cuttings have been made. Yields are looking good as well as quality.”

– Jeremy Hebert, Acadia Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending July 10, 2016

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Minden	95.1	77.1	86.1	81.8	4.3	0.00	0	-0.99	4.24	-0.34
Mooringsport	94.5	76.5	85.5	82.8	2.7	0.01	1	-0.72	1.08	-3.11
Red River	93.7	78.3	86.0	82.8	3.2	0.00	0	-0.93	2.89	-1.51
Shreveport	94.3	74.4	84.4	82.5	1.9	0.03	1	-0.93	3.00	-0.94
Extreme/Average	94.4	76.6	85.5	82.5	3.0	0.01	1	-0.89	2.80	-1.48
North Central										
Calhoun	93.6	74.1	83.9	80.9	3.0	0.21	1	-0.67	3.49	-0.47
Farmerville	95.0	76.0	85.5	82.0	3.5	NA	0	-0.95	2.68	-2.42
Homer	94.3	76.1	85.2	80.1	5.2	NA	0	-1.01	0.20	-3.06
Extreme/Average	94.3	75.4	84.9	81.0	3.9	0.21	1	-0.88	2.12	-1.98
Northeast										
Lake Providence	93.1	76.9	85.0	82.3	2.7	0.05	1	-0.81	2.42	-0.55
St Joseph	93.8	76.4	85.1	82.5	2.6	0.48	1	-0.27	6.33	2.87
Tallulah	95.6	77.6	86.6	81.8	4.8	0.40	3	-0.57	5.25	1.39
Winnsboro	NA	NA	NA	82.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	94.2	77.0	85.6	82.3	3.4	0.31	3	-0.55	4.67	1.24
West Central										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	81.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hodges Gardens	96.0	77.0	86.5	82.1	4.5	NA	NA	NA	2.69	-1.21
Leesville	95.0	75.0	85.0	81.0	4.0	0.03	1	-1.02	2.11	-2.56
Natchitoches	95.0	76.9	85.9	83.4	2.5	0.03	1	-0.70	1.62	-2.55
Extreme/Average	95.3	76.3	85.8	81.9	3.7	0.03	1	-0.86	2.14	-2.11
Central										
Alexandria	93.9	76.6	85.2	83.0	2.2	0.11	1	-1.00	2.37	-2.67
Bunkie	92.7	67.2	79.9	82.2	-2.2	0.00	0	-0.87	5.80	1.40
Eunice	NA	NA	NA	83.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jonesville Locks	94.7	74.1	84.4	82.3	2.1	0.00	0	-1.00	5.08	0.83
New Roads	93.2	76.5	84.9	82.8	2.1	NA	NA	NA	2.84	-1.43
Extreme/Average	93.6	73.6	83.6	82.8	1.1	0.04	1	-0.96	4.02	-0.47
East Central										
Baton Rouge	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.12	1	-1.42	6.54	-0.25
Hammond	NA	NA	NA	81.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Norwood	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.25	3	NA	3.72	NA
Slidell	92.3	79.1	85.7	NA	NA	NA	0	NA	2.80	NA
Extreme/Average	92.3	79.1	85.7	81.5	NA	0.69	3	-1.42	4.35	-0.25
Southwest										
Crowley	92.8	78.2	85.5	82.1	3.4	0.00	0	-1.04	2.10	-3.98
DeRidder	93.1	75.1	84.1	82.0	2.1	0.02	1	-1.39	0.60	-5.27
Jennings	93.6	78.9	86.2	82.1	4.2	0.04	1	-1.25	2.49	-3.65
Oberlin Fire	93.1	75.7	84.4	81.7	2.7	0.08	1	-1.33	2.12	-4.16
Extreme/Average	93.2	77.0	85.1	82.0	3.1	0.04	1	-1.25	1.83	-4.27
South Central										
Donaldsonville	93.1	76.4	84.8	81.9	2.9	0.12	1	-1.47	1.46	-5.35
Jeanerette	92.6	76.1	84.4	82.2	2.2	0.02	1	-1.78	2.09	-5.79
Lafayette	NA	NA	NA	81.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Morgan City	94.6	79.1	86.9	82.0	4.9	0.06	1	-1.65	2.14	-4.70
Extreme/Average	93.4	77.2	85.3	81.9	3.3	0.07	1	-1.63	1.90	-5.28
Southeast										
Galliano	91.0	81.0	86.0	82.2	3.9	0.52	2	-1.32	4.11	-3.22
Gonzales	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.15	1	-1.37	4.22	-2.49
Grand Isle	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Orleans	96.4	80.7	88.6	NA	NA	0.09	1	NA	6.86	NA
Extreme/Average	93.7	80.8	87.3	82.2	3.9	0.25	2	-1.35	5.06	-2.86
State	93.7	76.9	85.3	82.0	2.7	0.18	1	-1.09	3.26	-1.93

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.