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Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report



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Week Ending September 10, 2017

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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, September 10, 2017**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 83 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 58.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 70.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano. Highs ranged from 83.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Oberlin Fire to 88.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Winnsboro. The precipitation for this week was minimal throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the northwest part of the state with an average of 0.67 inches.

Crop progress for week ending September 10, 2017

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, harvested	97	91	92	94
Cotton, open bolls	82	72	91	82
Cotton, harvested	1	0	2	5
Hay, second cutting	88	77	93	97
Rice, mature	100	99	99	98
Rice, harvested	91	87	83	87
Sorghum, mature	100	97	100	99
Sorghum, harvested	91	87	96	92
Soybeans, turning color	93	87	82	81
Soybeans, dropping leaves	75	64	61	65
Soybeans, mature	64	53	51	NA
Soybeans, harvested	40	30	30	38
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	20	11	19	21
Sugarcane, planted	62	47	58	67

NA= Not Available

Crop condition for week ending September 10, 2017

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Cotton	0	12	42	44	2
Livestock	2	7	30	55	6
Pasture	2	9	36	47	6
Soybeans	0	9	39	46	6
Sugarcane	1	3	19	60	17
Sweet Potatoes	0	5	20	72	3
Vegetables	4	12	40	43	1

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Good weather last week helped with finishing the harvest of corn and helped get soybean harvest started. Soybean seed quality effected by overcast rainy days from Hurricane Harvey.”

– Carol Pinnell-Alison, Franklin Parish

“Sunny and windy weather last week has allowed for harvesting to continue.”

– Kylie Miller, Condordia Parish

“Soybean harvest will be in full swing over the upcoming days with dry, cool conditions. Sugarcane producers made good progress with planting. Some land preparation for next year's crop will soon begin. Hay cutters and balers rolled with good progress as fields dry for the first time since May. Cattle producers marketed spring born calves. Winter pasture planting preparation took place in some areas.”

– Vincent Deshotel, Saint Landry Parish

“A much needed return to drier conditions allowed a quick acceleration in fieldwork progress. Most sugarcane growers expect to be finished planting by the start of grinding season scheduled to start on September 20th. Soybean growers harvested mature group IV beans with high levels of damage. Hay cutting was in high gear around the parish. Many hay producers in this area got their first cutting. Cattle producers started to prepare land for winter pasture planting.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

“Tremendous progress has been made regarding the planting of sugarcane. If the farmers can get another 4 or 5 days, planting will be for the most part complete. Sugarcane crop still standing and the crop appeared to be a good crop. Strong plant populations and good plant height.”

– Jimmy Flanagan, Saint Mary Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending September 10, 2017

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Minden	86.0	60.6	73.3	78.6	-5.3	1.26	2	0.46	6.45	3.73
Mooringsport	85.4	60.0	72.7	79.3	-6.6	0.70	1	-0.06	2.81	0.09
Red River	84.6	61.0	72.8	79.4	-6.7	0.04	1	-0.62	5.73	3.44
Shreveport	84.4	60.6	72.5	79.4	-6.9	NA	0	-0.60	5.51	3.42
Extreme/Average	85.1	60.5	72.8	79.2	-6.4	0.67	2	-0.20	5.12	2.67
North Central										
Calhoun	NA	NA	NA	77.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farmerville	NA	NA	NA	78.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Homer	83.5	58.0	70.8	77.1	-6.5	0.08	1	-0.58	4.74	2.25
Extreme/Average	83.5	58.0	70.8	77.7	-6.5	0.08	1	-0.58	4.74	2.25
Northeast										
Lake Providence	84.8	61.7	73.3	78.9	-5.7	0.70	2	0.14	3.91	2.79
St Joseph	85.8	59.7	72.8	79.5	-6.7	0.45	1	-0.23	4.32	1.11
Tallulah	88.0	64.2	76.1	78.8	-2.8	0.90	1	0.16	5.35	2.27
Winnsboro	88.8	63.8	76.3	79.3	-3.5	0.18	1	-0.30	3.99	1.15
Extreme/Average	86.8	62.3	74.6	79.1	-4.7	0.56	2	-0.06	4.39	1.83
West Central										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	78.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hodges Gardens	NA	NA	NA	79.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	6.77	4.81
Leesville	87.3	60.4	73.9	78.4	-4.5	0.00	0	-1.00	17.54	14.16
Natchitoches	85.0	64.3	74.6	80.5	-5.8	0.52	1	-0.74	10.81	6.90
Extreme/Average	86.2	62.3	74.3	79.2	-5.2	0.26	1	-0.87	11.71	8.62
Central										
Alexandria	85.3	64.4	74.9	80.7	-5.8	0.00	0	-0.94	7.28	3.71
Bunkie	85.0	62.4	73.7	79.3	-5.6	0.00	0	-1.15	7.96	4.56
Eunice	NA	NA	NA	81.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jonesville Locks	85.3	62.7	74.0	79.9	-5.9	1.09	1	0.18	4.27	1.40
New Roads	85.5	66.2	75.9	81.0	-5.4	0.10	1	-0.51	6.28	2.54
Extreme/Average	85.3	63.9	74.6	80.5	-5.7	0.30	1	-0.60	6.45	3.05
East Central										
Baton Rouge	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.20	1	-0.83	7.88	3.32
Hammond	NA	NA	NA	79.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Norwood	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.04	1	NA	8.21	NA
Slidell	84.4	65.6	75.0	NA	NA	0.08	1	NA	5.50	NA
Extreme/Average	84.4	65.6	75.0	79.6	NA	0.11	1	-0.83	7.20	3.32
Southwest										
Crowley	86.6	66.2	76.4	80.4	-4.2	0.00	0	-1.26	8.57	3.81
DeRidder	NA	NA	NA	79.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jennings	85.3	64.7	75.0	80.5	-5.5	0.00	0	-1.37	11.02	5.91
Oberlin Fire	83.0	62.9	72.9	79.8	-6.8	0.00	0	-1.28	13.33	9.03
Extreme/Average	85.0	64.6	74.8	80.1	-5.5	0.00	0	-1.30	10.97	6.25
South Central										
Donaldsonville	85.9	64.7	75.3	80.1	-4.8	0.00	0	-1.31	7.30	2.27
Jeanerette	85.6	66.2	75.9	80.2	-4.5	0.00	0	-1.18	10.19	4.69
Lafayette	NA	NA	NA	79.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Morgan City	86.3	70.0	78.1	80.8	-2.7	0.00	0	-1.55	14.62	8.00
Extreme/Average	85.9	67.0	76.4	80.2	-4.0	0.00	0	-1.35	10.70	4.99
Southeast										
Galliano	84.4	70.4	77.4	81.0	-3.6	0.00	0	-1.64	9.70	3.43
Gonzales	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00	0	-1.10	12.16	7.19
Grand Isle	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
New Orleans	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	84.4	70.4	77.4	81.0	-3.6	0.00	0	-1.37	10.93	5.31
State	85.0	64.0	74.5	79.7	-4.7	0.20	1	-0.82	8.02	4.21

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.