



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there was 0.9 day suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 11, 2018. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 31 percent adequate, and 68 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 56 percent adequate, and 44 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 44.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer and Mooringsport to 69.0 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. Highs ranged from 60.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 84.0 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. Moderate precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the central part of the State with an average of 2.33 inches.

Crop progress for week ending November 11, 2018

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton, harvested	92	89	100	99
Soybeans, harvested	96	95	100	100
Sugarcane, planted	99	99	100	100
Sugarcane, harvested	46	37	50	46
Sweet potatoes, harvested	83	81	99	92
Winter wheat, planted	47	31	45	43
Winter wheat, emerged	17	7	20	25

Crop condition for week ending November 11, 2018

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Livestock	2	8	40	44	6
Pasture	2	15	44	35	4
Sugarcane	0	5	29	48	18
Vegetables	4	9	42	42	3
Winter wheat	0	1	52	36	11

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Continued rainfall made it difficult to harvest the sugarcane crop that was ready. Wet conditions wreaked havoc on fields, which will have to be fixed once they dry. Pecan producers are still waiting for some drier weather so they can get into the orchards to pick whatever pecans did not get washed away with the rain.”

– Mark Carriere, Point Coupee Parish

“Torrential rains during last week further hampered sugarcane harvest. The freezing temperatures forecasted will likely end cattlemen's hopes of making a much needed late season hay cutting.”

– Stanley Dutile, Lafayette Parish

“Rain throughout last week continues to hamper field activities. Some pastures were not able to be baled for the last cutting of the year and producers are trying to finish planting rye grass. Some soybean fields were not be harvested due to low quality and farmers tried to work these fields. Sugarcane tonnage was above average but recoverable sugar is below average as sugarcane producers’ dealt with wet, muddy conditions on a daily basis. Dry weather is needed with a possibility of freezing conditions.”

– Blair Hebert, Iberia Parish

“Cold wet conditions made for sodden soil and increased fungal pressure. Some cold damage last week also.”

– Anna Timmerman, Jefferson Parish

“Heavy rains have ended harvest season. There are some cotton, soybeans and sweet potatoes that were left in the field.”

– Richard Letlow, Morehouse Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending November 11, 2018

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Minden	63.3	46.3	54.8	57.5	-2.7	2.31	3	1.12	8.27	3.39
Mooringsport	60.6	44.6	52.6	58.4	-5.7	1.05	1	0.28	7.29	3.07
Red River	68.6	54.0	61.3	58.9	2.1	2.24	3	1.44	9.34	5.00
Shreveport	65.0	50.1	57.6	58.0	-0.4	2.23	2	0.91	10.14	5.09
Extreme/Average	64.4	48.8	56.6	58.2	-1.7	1.96	3	0.94	8.76	4.14
North central										
Calhoun	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	56.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farmerville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	57.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Homer	60.1	44.6	52.4	56.4	-4.0	0.91	3	-0.25	6.49	1.90
Extreme/Average	60.1	44.6	52.4	57.1	-4.0	0.91	3	-0.25	6.49	1.90
Northeast										
Lake Providence	61.3	49.0	55.1	58.0	-2.9	4.75	4	3.66	10.91	6.30
St Joseph	75.2	55.5	65.4	60.2	4.7	1.65	3	1.04	5.70	2.26
Tallulah	72.5	53.5	63.0	58.9	3.3	0.40	1	0.10	3.11	2.03
Winnsboro	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	59.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	7.67	4.61
Extreme/Average	69.7	52.7	61.2	59.1	1.7	2.27	4	1.60	6.85	3.80
West central										
Ashland	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	58.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hodges Gardens	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	60.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Leesville	69.0	51.1	60.1	59.5	0.6	0.37	5	-0.95	6.13	1.08
Natchitoches	66.6	52.0	59.3	60.2	-0.9	2.00	4	0.73	5.99	1.24
Extreme/Average	67.8	51.5	59.7	59.6	-0.2	1.19	5	-0.11	6.06	1.16
Central										
Alexandria	67.3	52.0	59.6	60.9	-1.2	1.11	5	-0.28	5.50	0.07
Bunkie	68.7	50.9	59.8	61.2	-1.4	3.30	4	2.00	6.70	1.43
Eunice	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	63.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jonesville Locks	68.7	52.0	60.3	60.6	-0.4	1.15	3	0.10	2.71	-1.75
New Roads	76.5	63.0	69.8	62.4	6.9	3.74	3	3.14	8.12	4.33
Extreme/Average	70.3	54.5	62.4	61.7	1.0	2.33	5	1.24	5.76	1.02
East central										
Baton Rouge	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.17	6	1.05	7.06	2.63
Hammond	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	61.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Norwood	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.40	3	(NA)	5.00	(NA)
Slidell	73.6	58.9	66.2	62.6	3.6	2.06	4	1.06	10.99	7.34
Extreme/Average	73.6	58.9	66.2	62.0	3.6	2.21	6	1.06	7.68	4.98
Southwest										
Crowley	77.5	62.8	70.1	62.7	7.0	2.23	3	1.39	8.36	3.67
DeRidder	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	61.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jennings	68.7	55.3	62.0	63.1	-1.1	1.52	3	0.27	5.42	0.32
Oberlin Fire	68.4	53.3	60.9	61.9	-1.0	1.13	3	-0.11	5.19	-0.05
Extreme/Average	71.5	57.1	64.3	62.3	1.6	1.63	3	0.52	6.32	1.31
South central										
Donaldsonville	73.3	59.4	66.4	62.6	3.7	1.99	5	0.99	6.33	2.09
Jeanerette	76.8	65.4	71.1	63.2	7.6	2.65	5	1.96	6.46	2.41
Lafayette	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Morgan City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	75.0	62.4	68.7	63.2	5.7	2.32	5	1.48	6.39	2.25
Southeast										
Galliano	79.5	66.7	73.1	64.8	8.2	1.83	5	1.16	8.24	4.87
Gonzales	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3.25	4	2.17	8.37	4.02
Grand Isle	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
New Orleans	84.0	69.0	76.5	65.9	10.0	0.87	3	0.48	5.67	2.81
Extreme/Average	81.8	67.8	74.8	65.4	9.1	1.98	5	1.27	7.43	3.90
State	70.6	55.5	63.1	61.1	1.8	1.85	4	0.84	6.77	2.57

(NA) Not available.
Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.
DFN = Departure From Normal.