



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition

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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, June 9, 2019**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent very short, 11 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 24 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 14 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 67.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 78.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano. Highs ranged from 85.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 90.5 degrees Fahrenheit at New Roads. Heavy precipitation was received throughout most of the State, with the highest concentration in the southwest part of the State with an average of 6.50 inches.

Crop progress for week ending June 9, 2019

| Crop | This week | Last week | Last year | 5-year average |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn, silked | 55 | 32 | 81 | 73 |
| Cotton, planted | 98 | 94 | 100 | 99 |
| Cotton, emerged | 90 | 83 | 97 | 93 |
| Cotton, squaring | 4 | 0 | 35 | 24 |
| Hay, first cutting | 81 | 68 | 91 | 78 |
| Hay, second cutting | 2 | (NA) | 7 | 1 |
| Rice, planted | 100 | 98 | 100 | 100 |
| Rice, emerged | 97 | 94 | 100 | 100 |
| Rice, headed | 4 | 4 | 7 | 9 |
| Sorghum, emerged | 99 | 93 | 99 | 98 |
| Sorghum, headed | 3 | 0 | 7 | 13 |
| Soybeans, planted | 95 | 91 | 99 | 96 |
| Soybeans, emerged | 88 | 77 | 97 | 92 |
| Soybeans, blooming | 19 | 9 | 39 | 26 |
| Soybeans, setting pods | 1 | (NA) | 0 | 0 |
| Sweet potatoes, planted | 77 | 57 | 69 | 55 |
| Winter wheat, harvested | 48 | 29 | 92 | 68 |

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending June 9, 2019

| Item | Very poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn | 0 | 9 | 41 | 47 | 3 |
| Cotton | 0 | 2 | 36 | 56 | 6 |
| Livestock | 1 | 9 | 39 | 47 | 4 |
| Pasture | 1 | 9 | 37 | 49 | 4 |
| Rice | 0 | 5 | 27 | 60 | 8 |
| Sorghum | 0 | 0 | 56 | 39 | 5 |
| Soybeans | 0 | 6 | 38 | 52 | 4 |
| Sugarcane | 1 | 5 | 28 | 56 | 10 |
| Sweet potatoes | 0 | 1 | 29 | 67 | 3 |
| Vegetables | 0 | 3 | 31 | 60 | 6 |
| Winter wheat | 3 | 13 | 35 | 47 | 2 |

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Last week’s excessive rainfall ranging from 6 to over 12 inches really affected recently planted soybeans. Water remained on some fields for a number of days. Rains have also caused broken rice field levees resulting in loss of flood in recently top-dressed fields.”

– Todd Fontenot, Evangeline Parish

“Soybeans that got planted recently were hurt by heavy rains last week. Rice farmers have completed the top dressing of rice and rice will be heading soon. Disease pressure has been low due to the sporadic rain. Cattle ranchers are still working cattle and calves while breeding season is still ongoing. Sugarcane layby practices were all but complete and cane is making good growth. Significant hay harvest was carried out before the big rain last week.”

– Andrew Granger, Vermilion Parish

“Big rains in the middle of last week. Most areas of parish received 5-12”. Some late rice was flooded again. Some early rice is progressing towards heading. Pastures were still wet. Hopefully fields will dry out this week to resume soybean planting.”

– James Meaux, Calcasieu Parish

“Heavy rains at end of week halted all field work. Sugarcane layby activities nearly done with crop growing well.”

– Blair Hebert, Iberia Parish

“Last week a dry spell was broken by flooding rains that dumped over 7 inches in a short period of time over most of the parish. Growers will likely return to the fields next week to finish up layby work in cane fields. Spring vegetables were in full production. Hay producers were spraying, fertilizing, and preparing to make an additional cutting. Crawfish producers were fixing levees and repairing ponds.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending June 9, 2019

| Division/Station | Air Temperature | | | | | Precipitation | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|------|------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| | Max | Min | Avg | Norm ¹ | DFN ² | One Week | Rain Days | DFN ² | Four Weeks | Four Weeks DFN ² |
| Northwest | | | | | | | | | | |
| Minden | 88.4 | 69.6 | 79.0 | 77.0 | 2.0 | 1.05 | 5 | -0.02 | 1.93 | -2.06 |
| Mooringsport | 89.0 | 69.3 | 79.2 | 77.6 | 1.6 | 1.60 | 4 | 0.61 | 3.23 | -0.52 |
| Red River | 87.6 | 71.1 | 79.4 | 78.5 | 0.9 | 0.63 | 3 | -0.43 | 1.37 | -2.74 |
| Shreveport | 86.4 | 68.4 | 77.4 | 77.5 | -0.1 | 1.39 | 3 | 0.27 | 2.31 | -1.90 |
| Extreme/Average | 87.8 | 69.6 | 78.7 | 77.7 | 1.1 | 1.17 | 5 | 0.11 | 2.21 | -1.81 |
| North central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Calhoun | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 76.3 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Farmerville | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 76.6 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Homer | 85.8 | 67.2 | 76.5 | 75.4 | 1.3 | 3.43 | 5 | 2.60 | 4.99 | 1.25 |
| Extreme/Average | 85.8 | 67.2 | 76.5 | 76.1 | 1.3 | 3.43 | 5 | 2.60 | 4.99 | 1.25 |
| Northeast | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lake Providence | 87.4 | 71.7 | 79.6 | 77.9 | 1.7 | 1.53 | 3 | 0.53 | 2.67 | -1.79 |
| St Joseph | 89.8 | 70.4 | 80.1 | 79.0 | 1.2 | 2.68 | 3 | 1.97 | 4.51 | 0.55 |
| Tallulah | 87.4 | 70.1 | 78.8 | 77.9 | 0.9 | 1.54 | 3 | 0.65 | 3.29 | 0.89 |
| Winnsboro | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 78.5 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 0.97 | -1.46 |
| Extreme/Average | 88.2 | 70.7 | 79.5 | 78.3 | 1.3 | 1.92 | 3 | 1.05 | 2.86 | -0.45 |
| West central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ashland | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 76.9 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Hodges Gardens | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 78.7 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Leesville | 89.3 | 68.6 | 78.9 | 77.5 | 1.4 | 1.40 | 3 | 0.29 | 4.64 | 0.18 |
| Natchitoches | 89.3 | 71.6 | 80.4 | 78.6 | 1.8 | 2.07 | 3 | 1.16 | 4.97 | 1.33 |
| Extreme/Average | 89.3 | 70.1 | 79.7 | 77.9 | 1.6 | 1.73 | 3 | 0.72 | 4.80 | 0.76 |
| Central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alexandria | 88.6 | 70.9 | 79.7 | 79.3 | 0.4 | 1.75 | 3 | 0.63 | 5.07 | 0.70 |
| Bunkie | 89.4 | 70.1 | 79.8 | 79.0 | 0.8 | 3.52 | 2 | 2.26 | 5.64 | 0.75 |
| Eunice | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 80.5 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Jonesville Locks | 90.3 | 71.0 | 80.6 | 78.8 | 1.9 | 1.07 | 2 | -0.03 | 2.59 | -1.70 |
| New Roads | 90.5 | 73.7 | 82.1 | 79.4 | 2.8 | 5.23 | 3 | 4.18 | 5.64 | 1.30 |
| Extreme/Average | 89.7 | 71.4 | 80.6 | 79.4 | 1.5 | 2.89 | 3 | 1.76 | 4.74 | 0.26 |
| East central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Baton Rouge | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 6.04 | 1 | 5.84 | 6.04 | 5.84 |
| Hammond | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 78.3 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Norwood | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 1.83 | (NA) |
| Slidell | 89.0 | 74.0 | 81.5 | 79.0 | 2.5 | 1.44 | 4 | 0.20 | 2.54 | -2.32 |
| Extreme/Average | 89.0 | 74.0 | 81.5 | 78.7 | 2.5 | 3.74 | 4 | 3.02 | 3.47 | 1.76 |
| Southwest | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crowley | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 79.7 | (NA) | 7.60 | 3 | 6.08 | 10.07 | 4.86 |
| DeRidder | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 78.9 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Jennings | 88.8 | 73.5 | 81.2 | 79.4 | 1.8 | 6.89 | 4 | 5.71 | 11.09 | 6.48 |
| Oberlin Fire | 88.6 | 72.0 | 80.3 | 78.6 | 1.7 | 5.00 | 2 | 3.62 | 7.02 | 1.89 |
| Extreme/Average | 88.7 | 72.8 | 80.7 | 79.2 | 1.8 | 6.50 | 4 | 5.14 | 9.39 | 4.41 |
| South central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Donaldsonville | 90.0 | 73.1 | 81.6 | 79.0 | 2.5 | 3.84 | 4 | 2.32 | 5.26 | 0.45 |
| Jeanerette | 89.0 | 73.7 | 81.4 | 79.6 | 1.8 | 4.63 | 4 | 3.08 | 7.88 | 3.14 |
| Lafayette | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 79.0 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Morgan City | 89.4 | 75.7 | 82.6 | 79.2 | 3.4 | 4.43 | 3 | 3.20 | 5.97 | 1.97 |
| Extreme/Average | 89.5 | 74.2 | 81.8 | 79.2 | 2.6 | 4.30 | 4 | 2.87 | 6.37 | 1.85 |
| Southeast | | | | | | | | | | |
| Galliano | 89.5 | 78.7 | 84.1 | 79.7 | 4.4 | 0.78 | 4 | -0.49 | 1.67 | -2.92 |
| Gonzales | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 5.48 | 3 | 4.02 | 8.76 | 4.69 |
| Grand Isle | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| New Orleans | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 81.5 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 0.67 | -0.26 |
| Extreme/Average | 89.5 | 78.7 | 84.1 | 80.6 | 4.4 | 3.13 | 4 | 1.76 | 3.70 | 0.50 |
| State | 88.6 | 72.2 | 80.4 | 78.6 | 2.0 | 3.42 | 4 | 2.32 | 4.98 | 1.14 |

(NA) Not available.

¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

² Departure from normal.