



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, July 28, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 10 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 6 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 62.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Mooringsport to 75.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano. Highs ranged from 83.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Jennings to 93.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Minden. Light to moderate precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the east central part of the State with an average of 3.29 inches.

Crop progress for week ending July 28, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, dough	100	98	100	99
Corn, dent	90	80	97	92
Corn, mature	45	22	51	49
Corn, harvested	2	0	3	5
Cotton, squaring	98	93	100	99
Cotton, setting bolls	72	59	95	86
Cotton, open bolls	7	1	11	8
Hay, second cutting	81	68	79	66
Rice, headed	82	78	93	89
Rice, mature	19	9	51	38
Rice, harvested	4	0	13	12
Sorghum, headed	98	90	100	99
Sorghum, coloring	80	69	82	82
Sorghum, mature	33	12	33	34
Soybeans, blooming	95	90	99	96
Soybeans, setting pods	81	72	94	87
Soybeans, turning color	17	6	12	16
Soybeans, dropping leaves	3	0	3	3

Crop condition for week ending July 28, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	0	6	33	57	4
Cotton	0	1	27	63	9
Livestock	0	6	39	49	6
Pasture	0	5	39	51	5
Rice	0	4	27	61	8
Sorghum	0	10	51	38	1
Soybeans	1	6	34	51	8
Sugarcane	0	6	37	53	4
Sweet potatoes	0	5	33	61	1
Vegetables	0	10	36	54	0

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

"Scattered beneficial rains continued to move all crops to maturity."

– Richard Letlow, Morehouse Parish

"Rice and corn producers prepared for harvesting. Sugarcane producers were ready to plant as soon as field conditions dry out some. Livestock producers have abundant forages this year, but second and third Hay cuttings sit in the field losing quality due to wet conditions. Commercial and home vegetable growers were between seasons as they gave up on spring plantings. There were many acres of soybeans doing really well with moderate to low disease pressure but rains of Hurricane Barry damaged many acres as well."

–Vincent Deshotel, Saint Landry Parish

"Flood waters receded in most areas leaving some rice acres severely damaged. Producers prepared for rice harvest which will begin soon depending on scattered rains."

– Todd Fontenot, Evangeline Parish

"More rice fields drained last week. Should start harvesting some by next week. Soybeans were looking better than they have most of the year. With the cool front, some hay pastures were baled. A few areas of the parish received a big 2-3' rain on Sunday."

– James Meaux, Calcasieu Parish

"Showers early in week nearly halted most fieldwork as farmers scouted fields for insect pressure. Sugarcane farmers were busy preparing for the planting season which should begin soon."

– Blair Hebert, Iberia Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending July 28, 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	93.1	69.1	81.1	82.6	-1.4	0.31	2	-0.34	1.01	-2.35
Mooringsport	89.0	62.2	75.6	83.2	-7.7	0.08	1	-0.47	0.95	-1.94
Red River	91.7	69.3	80.5	83.4	-2.9	0.05	1	-0.61	1.04	-2.20
Shreveport	91.6	66.4	79.0	83.0	-4.0	(NA)	0	-0.90	0.86	-2.97
Extreme/Average	91.3	66.8	79.1	83.1	-4.0	0.15	2	-0.58	0.96	-2.37
North central										
Calhoun	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farmerville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Homer	87.8	64.0	75.9	80.9	-5.0	1.65	2	1.01	3.70	0.28
Extreme/Average	87.8	64.0	75.9	81.6	-5.0	1.65	2	1.01	3.70	0.28
Northeast										
Lake Providence	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
St Joseph	90.4	66.6	78.5	82.8	-4.3	0.85	3	-0.14	6.89	3.45
Tallulah	85.0	69.0	77.3	82.2	-5.0	0.40	1	-0.09	4.69	2.70
Winnsboro	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3.94	1.43
Extreme/Average	87.7	67.8	77.9	82.6	-4.6	0.62	3	-0.12	5.17	2.53
West central										
Ashland	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hodges Gardens	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	83.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Leesville	90.1	66.0	78.1	81.7	-3.6	0.10	3	-0.65	0.99	-2.62
Natchitoches	90.9	69.0	79.9	83.7	-3.8	0.23	3	-0.77	1.60	-2.02
Extreme/Average	90.5	67.5	79.0	82.6	-3.7	0.17	3	-0.71	1.29	-2.32
Central										
Alexandria	88.4	69.9	79.1	83.5	-4.4	0.58	2	-0.29	3.59	-0.39
Bunkie	84.3	65.0	74.6	82.6	-8.0	1.14	4	0.39	13.58	10.29
Eunice	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	84.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jonesville Locks	86.1	68.0	77.1	82.8	-5.7	0.50	3	-0.24	7.62	4.10
New Roads	89.4	72.1	80.8	83.0	-2.2	0.61	3	-0.21	6.65	2.96
Extreme/Average	87.0	68.8	77.9	83.2	-5.1	0.71	4	-0.09	7.86	4.24
East central										
Baton Rouge	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hammond	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Norwood	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.99	(NA)
Slidell	87.0	71.6	79.3	82.2	-2.9	3.29	3	1.78	11.13	5.23
Extreme/Average	87.0	71.6	79.3	82.0	-2.9	3.29	3	1.78	7.06	5.23
Southwest										
Crowley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.3	(NA)	1.24	3	0.16	6.34	1.21
DeRidder	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jennings	83.7	71.0	77.3	82.3	-5.0	1.28	2	0.85	6.59	2.64
Oberlin Fire	86.4	70.3	78.4	82.1	-3.7	0.95	2	-0.08	19.19	14.27
Extreme/Average	85.1	70.7	77.8	82.3	-4.4	1.16	3	0.31	10.71	6.04
South central										
Donaldsonville	88.0	70.7	79.4	82.0	-2.6	2.56	4	1.24	6.96	1.17
Jeanerette	86.7	70.0	78.3	82.3	-4.0	2.85	4	1.72	13.85	7.72
Lafayette	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Morgan City	86.5	73.8	80.2	82.3	-2.1	1.65	3	0.46	5.26	0.39
Extreme/Average	87.1	71.5	79.3	82.1	-2.9	2.35	4	1.14	8.69	3.09
Southeast										
Galliano	89.0	75.0	82.0	82.4	-0.5	2.64	3	1.13	9.92	3.43
Gonzales	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.39	1	-0.54	3.20	-1.72
Grand Isle	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
New Orleans	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	84.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.05	-2.19
Extreme/Average	89.0	75.0	82.0	83.4	-0.5	1.52	3	0.29	4.39	-0.16
State	87.8	69.4	78.6	82.6	-3.7	1.29	3	0.35	5.98	2.26

(NA) Not available.

¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

² Departure from normal.