



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, October 4, 2009

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 4.5

Soil moisture supplies: 4% very short, 3% short, 51% adequate and 42% surplus

Field Crops Report

Rain continued to slow most agriculture activities across the state. Corn producers completed the harvest. Rice harvest neared completion. Soybean harvest was at 58 percent falling behind the five year average of 74 percent. Sugarcane producers continued to plant sugarcane; the sugarcane harvest was just getting underway. Sugarcane mills were grinding.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers continued to harvest fall crops. Citrus producers continued to harvest and market satsumas.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattlemen cut hay in the early part of the week and planted winter forages.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Corn	Harvested	100	99	100	100
Cotton	Bolls Opening	92	89	100	98
	Harvested	17	5	43	45
Hay	Second Cutting	97	96	96	99
Pecans	Harvested	3	1	0	3
Rice	Harvested	94	88	94	97
Sorghum	Harvested	98	97	97	99
Soybeans	Turning Color	97	94	96	97
	Dropping Leaves	86	78	88	91
	Harvested	58	50	68	74
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	22	19	27	37
Sugarcane	Planted	95	90	71	92
	Harvested	1	0	1	2
CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Cotton	2	12	37	45	4
Sugarcane	2	8	30	45	15
Livestock	1	6	45	42	6
Vegetables	5	25	45	23	2
Pasture	3	8	45	37	7

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 09/28/09 TO 10/04/09

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO	NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVG	MM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	91	49	69	71	1.15	4.26	40.91	38.24
Minden	89	49	68	70	3.81	9.07	46.02	41.36
Mooringsport	91	51	68	MM	1.70	7.15	46.98	34.71
Extreme/Average	91	49	68	71	2.22	6.83	44.64	39.27
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	MM	MM	MM	71	1.52	10.50	39.74	41.72
Homer/Hill Farm	89 (45)	66	69	70	4.59	15.66	48.08	41.75
ULM-Monroe	90	49	70	71	1.75	11.72	40.57	43.27
Columbia Lock	90	51	68	MM	0.25	4.53	37.11	44.79
Extreme/Average	90	45	66	71	4.59	15.66	48.08	42.66
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	90	52	69	71	1.80	5.84	41.52	43.98
LSU-St Joseph	90	51	71	72	1.48	5.35	37.81	42.72
LSU-Winnboro	MM	MM	MM	71	3.22	10.27	42.39	42.07
Tallulah	89	51	69	70	1.82	6.16	46.60	44.94
Extreme/Average	90	51	69	71	1.81	6.10	44.06	43.14
4. West-Central								
Leesville	92	51	73	71	1.37	4.65	34.49	43.11
LSU-Rosepine	91	50	74	72	1.35	4.43	33.84	44.22
Natchitoches	94	57	73	72	0.83	6.31	38.36	40.73
Extreme/Average	94	51	73	71	1.10	4.65	34.49	41.97
5. Central								
Alexandria	93	58	72	73	1.33	4.03	36.16	45.03
Brusly	91	54	72	72	1.40	6.71	35.55	49.43
Bunkie (95)	93	54	74	73	1.70	6.68	39.25	46.30
LSU-Alexandria	93	53	72	72	1.05	3.80	37.11	43.87
Extreme/Average	95	53	73	73	1.38	5.40	37.30	45.72
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	MM	MM	MM	MM	M.MM	0.00	36.04	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	93	56	75	73	0.97	5.03	34.72	48.36
Anite	93	52	73	72	0.82	6.60	38.16	52.11
LSU-Hannond	92	53	73	73	0.97	7.79	32.10	50.77
Sidell	91	57	74	74	0.92	9.42	39.72	50.20
Extreme/Average	93	52	74	73	0.92	7.21	36.18	50.72
7. Southwest								
DeRidder	93	56	73	73	1.07	4.39	39.62	45.84
Jennings	92	60	76	74	1.01	5.12	38.86	46.50
LSU-Crowley	92	59	76	74	0.58	5.67	42.05	46.51
Extreme/Average	93	56	75	74	0.89	5.06	40.18	47.27
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	90	59	74	74	0.52	9.62	44.29	49.02
LSU-Jeanerette	91	60	76	73	2.17	14.87	53.93	49.66
Morgan City	88	65	76	75	1.54	6.63	37.15	52.39
Extreme/Average	91	59	75	74	1.41	10.37	45.12	50.11
9. Southeast								
Galliano	91	60	76	74	1.24	10.37	43.81	53.71
Houma	MM	MM	MM	75	2.32	6.64	33.02	52.16
Terrytown 3S	93	63	77	MM	0.40	9.96	49.30	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	74	M.MM	MM.MM	MM.MM	52.47
Extreme/Average	93	60	76	75	0.82	10.17	46.56	51.91

State

State Averages 95 45 72 73 1.67 7.91 41.70 46.14
 M = Missing() = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through October 4, 2009

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