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Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report



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Week Ending July 9, 2017

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, July 9, 2017**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 5 percent very short, 11 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 11 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 70.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Hodges Gardens to 77.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Morgan City. Highs ranged from 89.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 94.0 degrees Fahrenheit at New Roads. 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 1.20 inches.

Crop progress for week ending July 9, 2017

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dough	93	82	82	84
Corn, dent	59	43	42	35
Corn, mature	5	NA	NA	NA
Cotton, squaring	93	85	84	88
Cotton, setting bolls	54	31	42	41
Cotton, open bolls	2	NA	0	0
Hay, first cutting	97	95	97	97
Hay, second cutting	39	28	29	37
Rice, headed	60	46	68	64
Rice, mature	6	0	5	NA
Sorghum, headed	80	74	90	87
Sorghum, coloring	33	15	35	35
Soybeans, blooming	87	83	80	76
Soybeans, setting pods	67	46	52	49
Sweet Potatoes, planted	100	99	97	98

NA = Not Available.

Crop condition for week ending July 9, 2017

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	0	1	12	63	24
Cotton	0	4	22	66	8
Livestock	3	5	26	57	9
Pasture	3	4	30	54	9
Rice	0	7	19	60	14
Sorghum	0	2	13	81	4
Soybeans	0	4	17	65	14
Sugarcane	0	2	20	63	15
Sweet Potatoes	0	4	15	78	3
Vegetables	3	12	26	54	5

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Heavy afternoon down pours continued to prevent fieldwork and causing harvesting issues with our melon crop. Some producers have given up on harvesting the remaining crop in the fields.”

– Henry Harrison, Washington Parish

“Scattered showers continued to plague growers, but overall a drying trend toward the end of the week allowed fieldwork to continue. Cane growers are marking rows in preparation for planting at the end of July. Soybeans are being sprayed with fungicide and occasionally for stinkbug pressure. Sugarcane borer pressure is still light in most cane fields, but a small amount of acreage has been treated. Hay producers were taking a chance with the weather and cutting some fields.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

“Rainfall has been scattered, some have had too much rain and others not enough. Insect and disease pressures have been light in cotton and soybeans. Corn is maturing with some fields at the denting stage.”

– Carol Pinnell-Alison, Franklin Parish

“Rice harvest should begin very soon. The majority of, if not all, crawfish ponds have been drained.”

– Frances Guidry, Jefferson Parish

“Lots of sunshine this past week with temperatures in the low 90's. Rice is maturing with some rice being cut. First cuttings look promising and I expect much more rice to be cut starting next week. Soybeans are blooming and setting pods; some fields look excellent. Lots of hay being cut and baled since having favorable conditions.”

– Jeremy Hebert, Acadia Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending July 9, 2017

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Minden	93.5	74.8	84.2	81.7	2.5	1.58	2	0.72	9.18	4.70
Mooringsport	92.0	74.0	83.0	82.8	0.2	1.19	3	0.34	5.40	1.21
Red River	91.2	74.8	83.0	82.7	0.3	0.82	2	0.14	5.28	1.41
Shreveport	91.3	71.6	81.4	82.4	-1.0	1.21	3	0.25	4.60	0.11
Extreme/Average	92.0	73.8	82.9	82.4	0.5	1.20	3	0.36	6.12	1.86
<b>North Central</b>										
Calhoun	NA	NA	NA	80.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Farmerville	NA	NA	NA	81.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Homer	89.7	73.3	81.5	80.0	1.7	NA	0	-0.44	6.05	2.39
Extreme/Average	89.7	73.3	81.5	80.9	1.7	NA	0	-0.44	6.05	2.39
<b>Northeast</b>										
Lake Providence	90.0	74.5	82.3	82.2	0.1	0.64	2	-0.10	5.12	3.32
St Joseph	92.4	74.0	83.2	82.5	0.8	0.11	1	-0.62	5.18	1.75
Tallulah	NA	NA	NA	81.7	NA	0.00	0	-0.42	2.34	0.02
Winnsboro	NA	NA	NA	82.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.46	-0.41
Extreme/Average	91.2	74.2	82.7	82.2	0.4	0.25	2	-0.38	3.77	1.17
<b>West Central</b>										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	81.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hodges Gardens	92.0	70.0	81.0	82.0	-0.8	0.02	1	-0.13	4.00	0.52
Leesville	93.7	71.6	82.6	80.9	1.7	1.00	1	-0.06	6.17	1.47
Natchitoches	93.1	75.3	84.2	83.4	0.8	0.03	2	-0.65	3.34	-1.09
Extreme/Average	92.9	72.3	82.6	81.8	0.6	0.35	2	-0.28	4.50	0.30
<b>Central</b>										
Alexandria	92.7	74.7	83.7	82.9	0.8	0.25	1	-0.88	6.19	1.12
Bunkie	93.1	74.6	83.9	82.1	1.7	0.00	0	-1.02	4.85	0.07
Eunice	NA	NA	NA	83.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jonesville Locks	91.4	75.4	83.4	82.3	1.2	0.28	1	-0.73	3.78	0.19
New Roads	94.0	75.3	84.7	82.8	1.9	0.03	1	-0.45	3.96	0.02
Extreme/Average	92.8	75.0	83.9	82.7	1.4	0.14	1	-0.77	4.70	0.35
<b>East Central</b>										
Baton Rouge	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00	0	-0.87	7.18	1.82
Hammond	NA	NA	NA	81.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Norwood	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00	0	NA	4.58	NA
Slidell	90.4	76.1	83.3	NA	NA	0.05	1	NA	7.17	NA
Extreme/Average	90.4	76.1	83.3	81.4	NA	0.02	1	-0.87	6.31	1.82
<b>Southwest</b>										
Crowley	NA	NA	NA	82.1	NA	0.12	2	-0.92	6.43	0.33
DeRidder	NA	NA	NA	82.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jennings	90.9	74.1	82.5	82.0	0.5	1.68	1	0.38	10.63	4.45
Oberlin Fire	90.4	73.7	82.1	81.7	0.4	0.00	0	-1.43	7.39	1.09
Extreme/Average	90.7	73.9	82.3	81.9	0.4	0.60	2	-0.66	8.15	1.96
<b>South Central</b>										
Donaldsonville	92.1	74.3	83.2	81.8	1.4	0.46	3	-1.13	8.71	1.89
Jeanerette	91.0	74.0	82.5	82.1	0.4	0.01	1	-1.28	6.15	-1.22
Lafayette	NA	NA	NA	81.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Morgan City	92.1	77.6	84.9	82.0	2.9	0.73	1	-1.01	11.80	4.97
Extreme/Average	91.7	75.3	83.5	81.9	1.6	0.40	3	-1.14	8.89	1.88
<b>Southeast</b>										
Galliano	91.3	77.3	84.3	82.1	2.2	0.50	2	-1.09	9.30	2.82
Gonzales	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.13	1	-1.39	6.85	0.12
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	91.3	77.3	84.3	82.1	2.2	0.32	2	-1.24	8.07	1.47
<b>State</b>	<b>91.4</b>	<b>74.7</b>	<b>83.0</b>	<b>82.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.33</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-0.64</b>	<b>6.32</b>	<b>1.46</b>

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.