



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, July 7, 2019**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 33 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 27 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 69.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 76.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano. Highs ranged from 88.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Jeanerette to 94.6 degrees Fahrenheit at New Roads. Light precipitation was received throughout most of the State, with the highest concentration in the north central part of the State with an average of 0.56 inch.

Crop progress for week ending July 7, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, silked	98	95	100	100
Corn, dough	80	60	88	83
Corn, dent	41	21	63	46
Corn, mature	1	(NA)	3	1
Cotton, squaring	78	60	94	87
Cotton, setting bolls	24	11	63	43
Hay, first cutting	98	91	100	96
Hay, second cutting	38	23	43	30
Rice, headed	58	47	54	60
Sorghum, headed	74	63	84	85
Sorghum, coloring	43	29	30	26
Soybeans, emerged	100	99	100	99
Soybeans, blooming	73	55	91	83
Soybeans, setting pods	47	30	73	56
Winter wheat, harvested	99	95	100	100

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending July 7, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	0	9	39	50	2
Cotton	0	2	34	58	6
Livestock	0	5	30	57	8
Pasture	0	7	37	49	7
Rice	0	6	27	59	8
Sorghum	0	0	50	46	4
Soybeans	0	3	35	52	10
Sugarcane	1	5	27	57	10
Sweet potatoes	0	0	28	70	2
Vegetables	0	5	31	60	4

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Last week’s high temperatures will progress the rice and corn crops into maturity fairly quick. The soybean crop was progressing well, but early stink bug pressure was reported. The sugarcane crop continued to grow well but will soon need some rain. Livestock pastures and hay fields offered an abundance of forage. There was much progress with hay production in recent days.”

– Vincent Deshotel, Saint Landry Parish

“Dry conditions allowed for some hay harvest and some rice fieldwork to be done. Sugarcane farmers checked for borers and were getting ready to plant. Sugarcane could use some rain on most of the acreage, as well as some pastures. Rice farmers continued to scout for disease and stink bugs and applied fungicide. Breeding season is about over for spring calving.”

–Andrew Granger, Vermilion Parish

“Sugarcane farmers continued to work fallow ground and scout for borers. Some hay was baled. The area could use some rain and everyone will keep an eye on a possible tropical system entering the area by end of next week.”

– Blair Hebert, Iberia Parish

“Growers experienced extremely hot weather and pop up showers through most of the week. Sugarcane growers prepared for the start of planting at the end of the month. Rice growers were looking to start draining fields in the next couple of weeks, with rice harvest anticipation to begin in mid-August. Hay growers continued to cut and bale hay. Spring vegetable harvest of tomatoes was winding down, while okra and southern pea harvest was in full swing. Fig rust caused defoliation of fig trees and damaged fig quality.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending July 7, 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	92.3	74.2	83.3	81.6	1.7	0.00	0	-0.89	6.42	1.90
Mooringsport	90.1	73.3	81.7	82.6	-0.9	0.62	1	-0.24	7.58	3.48
Red River	88.5	74.5	81.5	82.6	-0.9	0.24	1	-0.04	5.04	1.24
Shreveport	89.7	71.3	80.5	82.3	-1.8	0.53	2	-0.29	5.84	1.43
Extreme/Average	90.1	73.3	81.7	82.3	-0.4	0.35	2	-0.36	6.22	2.01
North central										
Calhoun	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farmerville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Homer	88.6	69.9	79.2	79.8	-0.6	0.56	3	-0.47	5.69	1.62
Extreme/Average	88.6	69.9	79.2	80.7	-0.6	0.56	3	-0.47	5.69	1.62
Northeast										
Lake Providence	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	-0.73
St Joseph	92.0	70.7	81.3	82.4	-0.9	0.23	1	-0.19	3.85	0.58
Tallulah	(NA)	73.5	(NA)	81.6	(NA)	0.00	0	-0.30	1.68	-0.69
Winnsboro	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	92.0	72.1	81.3	82.1	-0.9	0.12	1	-0.24	1.84	-0.28
West central										
Ashland	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hodges Gardens	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Leesville	92.0	70.1	81.1	80.8	0.3	0.27	3	-0.80	4.54	-0.19
Natchitoches	92.0	74.0	83.0	83.2	-0.2	0.49	2	-0.09	6.54	2.10
Extreme/Average	92.0	72.0	82.0	81.7	0.0	0.38	3	-0.45	5.54	0.96
Central										
Alexandria	90.6	73.3	81.9	82.8	-0.9	0.20	2	-0.96	3.34	-1.57
Bunkie	91.2	73.0	82.1	82.0	0.1	0.31	1	-0.58	1.48	-3.23
Eunice	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	83.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jonesville Locks	89.3	72.9	81.1	82.1	-1.1	1.68	2	0.67	3.54	-0.93
New Roads	94.6	74.6	84.6	82.7	1.9	0.00	0	-1.15	0.47	-4.55
Extreme/Average	91.4	73.5	82.4	82.6	0.0	0.55	2	-0.51	2.21	-2.57
East central										
Baton Rouge	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hammond	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Norwood	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	0	(NA)	1.92	(NA)
Slidell	92.0	75.1	83.6	81.8	1.8	0.00	0	-1.49	3.14	-2.33
Extreme/Average	92.0	75.1	83.6	81.6	1.8	0.00	0	-1.49	2.53	-2.33
Southwest										
Crowley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.1	(NA)	0.33	3	-0.71	2.67	-3.45
DeRidder	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jennings	89.4	74.6	82.0	82.0	0.0	0.19	3	-1.14	2.23	-4.01
Oberlin Fire	92.0	73.1	82.6	81.6	1.0	0.08	1	-1.36	1.94	-4.36
Extreme/Average	90.7	73.8	82.3	81.9	0.5	0.20	3	-1.07	2.28	-3.94
South central										
Donaldsonville	93.3	73.4	83.4	81.8	1.6	0.01	1	-1.57	1.62	-5.18
Jeanerette	88.0	72.6	80.3	82.1	-1.7	0.14	2	-1.17	2.66	-4.67
Lafayette	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Morgan City	92.4	75.2	83.8	81.9	1.9	0.00	0	-1.28	2.16	-3.90
Extreme/Average	91.2	73.7	82.5	81.8	0.6	0.05	2	-1.34	2.15	-4.58
Southeast										
Galliano	91.5	76.0	83.8	82.1	1.8	0.35	1	-0.45	1.68	-3.45
Gonzales	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.38	1	-1.14	1.11	-4.13
Grand Isle	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
New Orleans	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	83.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3.10	-0.90
Extreme/Average	91.5	76.0	83.8	83.0	1.8	0.36	1	-0.79	1.96	-2.83
State	91.0	73.3	82.1	82.0	0.3	0.31	2	-0.75	3.22	-1.54

(NA) Not available.

¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

² Departure from normal.