



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 3.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, December 1, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 6 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 18 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 42.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 58.5 degrees Fahrenheit at New Roads. Highs ranged from 65.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Mooringsport to 75.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano. Sparse precipitation was reported throughout the State with the highest concentration in the southwest part of the State with an average of 0.84 inch.

Crop progress for week ending December 1, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton, harvested	100	99	100	100
Sugarcane, harvested	71	61	64	69
Sweet potatoes, harvested	98	94	99	99
Winter wheat, planted	86	74	67	69
Winter wheat, emerged	73	51	51	48

Crop condition for week ending December 1, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Livestock	1	8	36	51	4
Pasture	4	13	35	46	2
Sugarcane	2	11	47	34	6
Vegetables	0	4	32	62	2
Winter wheat	0	0	78	22	0

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Mostly dry conditions allowed for continued fieldwork for rice and sugarcane farmers. Second crop rice harvest was completed with average yields. Sugarcane harvest continued under very good conditions. Ranchers are feeding livestock.”

–Andrew Granger, Vermilion Parish

“Sugarcane harvest continued as tops are turning brown with fairly good field conditions. Recoverable sugar remained good with tonnage slightly below average. Some cattle producers put out hay and fertilized ryegrass.”

–Blair Hebert, Iberia Parish

“Cane harvest continued with some concern about declining post freeze cane quality and tonnage. Crawfish farmers were putting out traps. Pecan harvest winding down on a relatively light crop year. Citrus harvest was peaking with good fruit quality in satsumas and navels. Vegetable growers were harvesting greens and other fall vegetables.”

–Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending December 1, 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	69.3	45.7	57.5	50.7	6.8	0.26	2	-1.02	1.18	-3.81
Mooringsport	65.1	49.6	57.4	50.9	6.4	0.40	1	-0.76	1.19	-3.06
Red River	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	51.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.61	-2.35
Shreveport	70.0	45.9	57.9	50.7	7.3	0.23	2	-0.84	1.00	-3.60
Extreme/Average	68.1	47.1	57.6	51.0	6.8	0.30	2	-0.87	0.99	-3.21
North central										
Calhoun	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	50.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farmerville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	50.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Homer	66.5	42.8	54.7	49.5	5.2	0.32	2	-1.09	1.28	-3.92
Extreme/Average	66.5	42.8	54.7	50.0	5.2	0.32	2	-1.09	1.28	-3.92
Northeast										
Lake Providence	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	51.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
St Joseph	69.7	45.0	57.3	53.7	3.0	0.00	0	-0.61	0.67	-3.31
Tallulah	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	52.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	-0.18
Winnsboro	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	52.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	69.7	45.0	57.3	52.5	3.0	0.00	0	-0.61	0.34	-1.75
West central										
Ashland	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	51.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hodges Gardens	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	54.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Leesville	74.6	52.4	63.5	53.3	10.2	0.22	2	-1.30	1.29	-4.28
Natchitoches	73.7	49.7	61.7	52.9	8.8	0.48	1	-0.89	1.70	-3.28
Extreme/Average	74.2	51.0	62.6	53.0	9.5	0.35	2	-1.09	1.50	-3.78
Central										
Alexandria	71.3	50.4	60.9	54.3	6.5	0.19	2	-1.35	2.50	-3.33
Bunkie	72.2	47.7	59.9	54.9	5.1	0.17	2	-1.08	1.49	-3.67
Eunice	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	57.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jonesville Locks	70.0	48.1	59.1	54.1	5.0	0.37	2	-1.16	3.08	-2.45
New Roads	74.0	58.5	66.3	56.6	8.9	0.03	2	-0.24	2.52	-0.63
Extreme/Average	71.9	51.2	61.5	55.4	6.4	0.19	2	-0.96	2.40	-2.52
East central										
Baton Rouge	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hammond	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	55.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Norwood	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	0	(NA)	0.25	(NA)
Slidell	69.3	51.0	60.2	56.8	3.2	0.31	2	-0.66	1.13	-2.94
Extreme/Average	69.3	51.0	60.2	56.2	3.2	0.15	2	-0.66	0.69	-2.94
Southwest										
Crowley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	56.4	(NA)	1.24	1	0.75	2.36	-1.52
DeRidder	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	54.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jennings	73.1	56.4	64.8	56.9	7.9	1.25	3	0.09	2.18	-2.50
Oberlin	71.2	51.4	61.3	55.8	5.2	0.04	1	-0.92	1.59	-2.84
Extreme/Average	72.2	53.9	63.1	56.0	6.5	0.84	3	-0.03	2.04	-2.29
South central										
Donaldsonville	73.4	51.9	62.6	57.1	5.6	0.26	2	-0.78	0.96	-3.01
Jeanerette	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	57.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.21	-2.09
Lafayette	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	56.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Morgan City	75.0	55.8	65.4	58.8	6.8	0.02	1	-0.87	0.52	-2.91
Extreme/Average	74.2	53.8	64.0	57.6	6.2	0.14	2	-0.82	0.56	-2.67
Southeast										
Galliano	75.5	52.5	64.0	59.3	4.8	0.12	3	-0.56	0.57	-1.79
Gonzales	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.57	1	-0.54	1.50	-2.72
Grand Isle	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
New Orleans	72.6	55.3	63.9	60.0	3.9	0.05	1	-0.89	0.64	-3.23
Extreme/Average	74.0	53.9	64.0	59.7	4.3	0.25	3	-0.66	0.90	-2.58
State	71.1	50.2	60.6	54.8	5.6	0.31	2	-0.72	1.33	-2.81

(NA) Not available.
¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.
² Departure from normal.