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Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 3, 2018. Topsoil moisture supplies were 32 percent very short, 41 percent short, 27 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 24 percent very short, 37 percent short, 39 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 65.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Saint Joseph to 76.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano and Morgan City. Highs ranged from 88.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Jeanerette to 95.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Minden. The precipitation for this week was minimal throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the east central part of the State with an average of 0.43 inch.

Crop progress for week ending June 3, 2018

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Corn, silked	59	13	75	46	
Cotton, planted	99	96	100	96	
Cotton, emerged	92	83	94	86	
Cotton, squaring	5	0	19	8	
Hay, first cutting	86	81	80	67	
Hay, second cutting	1	0	(NA)	(NA)	
Rice, emerged	100	99	100	98	
Rice, headed	3	0	13	4	
Sorghum, planted	100	99	99	99	
Sorghum, emerged	97	94	97	95	
Sorghum, headed	4	0	5	4	
Soybeans, planted	97	96	96	90	
Soybeans, emerged	94	92	93	85	
Soybeans, blooming	28	9	14	7	

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Crop condition for week ending June 3, 2018

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Corn	0	7	43	48	2	
Cotton	0	4	35	60	1	
Livestock	2	8	33	52	5	
Pasture	16	14	37	32	1	
Rice	0	4	26	63	7	
Sorghum	0	10	44	46	0	
Soybeans	5	11	25	53	6	
Sugarcane	1	8	44	40	7	
Sweet potatoes	0	8	48	44	0	
Vegetables	1	7	33	57	2	
Winter wheat	0	5	25	61	9	

(NA) Not available.

Sweet potatoes, planted

Winter wheat, harvested

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

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"Drought!!! Hot, dry conditions have all crops and livestock struggling to survive. Rice wells cannot keep up with the needs of the rice crop but the crop is doing well. Corn moves to a productive stage needing rain terrible now. Stand loss in the younger soybean crops becomes more evident each day. The soybean crops that received rainfall last week looks really good. Hay producers are baling what forages are present but the yield is low."

-Vincent Deshotel, Saint Landry Parish

"More dry weather this past week. Many rice producers have top dressed their fields and have established permanent floods. Rice looks very good as the sunshine and warm temperatures are making the rice advance quickly. Soybeans are slowly progressing as rain is much needed. Spotty showers this past week allowed for a few fields in the area to get moisture but more is needed. Grass in pastures are not growing unless they get an occasional shower. Many cattlemen have resorted to feeding hay. Vegetables are going well if irrigated on a regular basis."

- Jeremy Herbert, Acadia Parish

"Prevailing dry conditions are slowing crop development. Sugarcane producers are making layby applications of herbicide. Stink bugs are showing up in early planted soybeans. Some soybean producers are waiting on moisture to finish planting. Some cattle producers are having to put out hay because of poor pasture development. Crawfish producers are draining fields. Dry weather is allowing producers ample time for dirt work and laser leveling. Blueberry and blackberry harvest is in full swing and good yields are being reported."

-Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

"Drought conditions persist and desperate for rain."

- Stanley J Dutile, Lafayette Parish



Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending June 3, 2018

		Air Temperature				Precipitation				
Division/Station	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Minden	95.1	74.3	84.7	75.7	9.0	0.00	0	-0.98	1.84	-2.18
Mooringsport	93.1	72.7	82.9	76.1	6.8	0.00	0	-1.03	0.65	-3.06
Red River	92.7	73.6	83.1	77.2	5.9	0.30	1	-0.71	1.82	-2.32
Shreveport	93.3	71.0	82.1	76.2	6.0	0.04	1	-0.92	0.18	-4.13
Extreme/Average	93.5	72.9	83.2	76.3	6.9	0.08	1	-0.91	1.12	-2.92
North central										
Calhoun	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	74.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farmerville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	75.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Homer	91.6	69.9	80.7	74.0	6.7	0.00	0	-0.92	1.37	-2.56
Extreme/Average	91.6	69.9	80.7	74.7	6.7	0.00	0	-0.92	1.37	-2.56
Northeast										
Lake Providence	88.4	71.0	79.7	76.6	3.2	0.20	1	-0.91	2.00	-2.51
St Joseph	93.0	65.3	79.2	77.9	1.1	0.02	1	-0.43	0.88	-2.47
Tallulah	91.5	72.5	82.0	76.7	5.0	0.00	0	-0.31	0.00	-0.65
Winnsboro	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	77.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	-1.57
Extreme/Average	91.0	69.6	80.3	77.1	3.1	0.07	1	-0.55	0.72	-1.80
West central										
Ashland	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	75.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hodges Gardens	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	77.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Leesville	94.6	69.3	81.9	76.4	5.5	0.00	0	-1.13	0.96	-3.45
Natchitoches	94.7	74.0	84.4	77.5	6.8	0.00	0	-0.85	0.93	-2.87
Extreme/Average	94.7	71.7	83.2	76.8	6.2	0.00	0	-0.99	0.95	-3.16
Central										
Alexandria	92.4	72.7	82.6	78.2	4.4	0.00	0	-1.09	2.22	-2.08
Bunkie	94.1	73.0	83.6	78.0	5.6	0.00	0	-1.22	1.00	-3.70
Eunice	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jonesville Locks	91.2	72.2	81.7	77.7	3.9	0.00	0	-0.80	2.53	-0.90
New Roads	94.6	75.3	84.9	78.3	6.7	0.00	0	-1.16	1.94	-2.16
Extreme/Average	93.1	73.3	83.2	78.3	5.1	0.00	0	-1.07	1.92	-2.21
East central										
Baton Rouge	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.86	1	-0.41	1.77	-2.94
Hammond	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	77.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Norwood	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	0	(NA)	2.53	(NA)
Slidell	89.9	75.7	82.8	78.1	4.7	(NA)	0	-1.23	2.24	-2.50
Extreme/Average	89.9	75.7	82.8	77.7	4.7	0.43	1	-0.82	2.18	-2.72
Southwest										
Crowley	92.7	74.1	83.4	78.8	4.7	0.00	0	-1.39	0.23	-4.69
DeRidder	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	77.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jennings	92.6	73.6	83.1	78.4	4.6	0.00	0	-1.27	1.02	-3.52
Oberlin Fire	90.3	70.1	80.2	77.6	2.7	0.10	1	-1.23	0.57	-4.42
Extreme/Average	91.9	72.6	82.2	78.1	4.0	0.03	1	-1.30	0.61	-4.21
South central										
Donaldsonville	91.9	72.3	82.1	78.1	4.0	0.00	0	-1.32	1.39	-2.94
Jeanerette	88.1	66.7	77.4	78.6	-1.2	0.17	1	-1.11	2.35	-1.87
Lafayette	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Morgan City	91.5	76.3	83.9	78.3	5.7	0.03	1	-0.82	1.48	-2.06
Extreme/Average	90.5	71.8	81.1	78.3	2.8	0.07	1	-1.08	1.74	-2.29
Southeast										
Galliano	89.7	76.3	83.0	78.8	4.2	0.02	1	-1.36	2.44	-1.59
Gonzales	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.07	1	-1.18	2.89	-1.24
Grand Isle	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
New Orleans	93.8	76.0	84.9	80.6	4.5	0.00	0	-0.67	4.11	0.50
Extreme/Average	91.8	76.2	83.9	79.7	4.3	0.03	1	-1.07	3.15	-0.78
State	92.0	72.8	82.4	77.6	4.9	0.07	1	-0.99	1.56	-2.54

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.