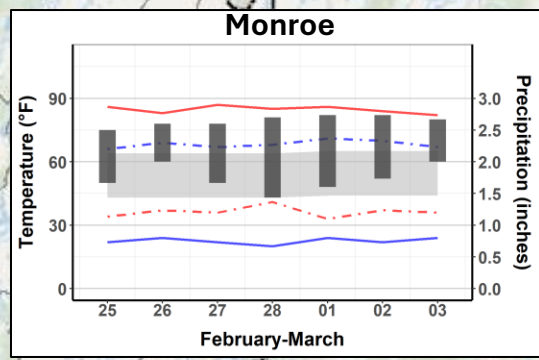
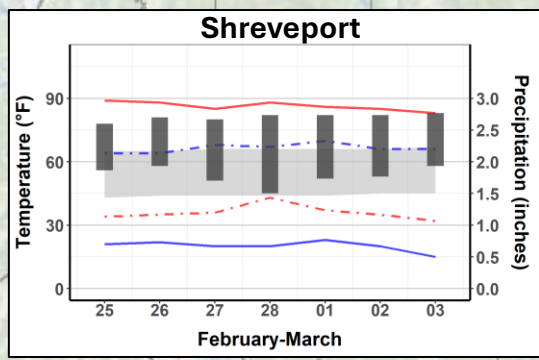




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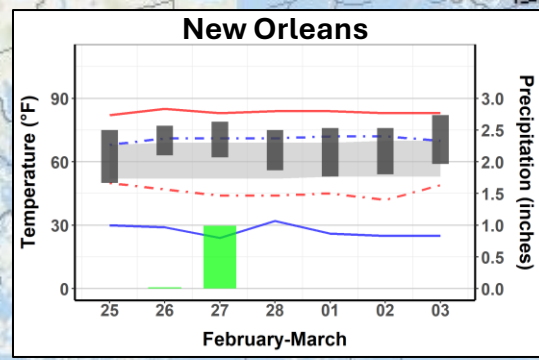
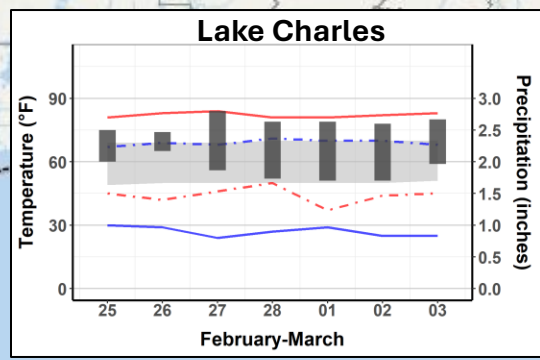
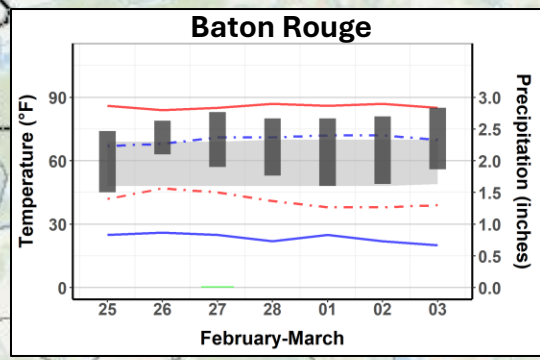
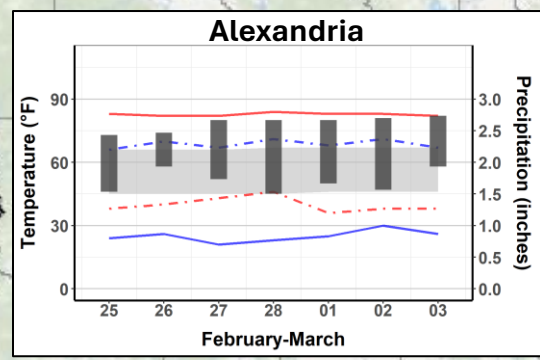
Daily Ranges

- Max/ Min Temps (Dark Grey Bar)
- Max/ Min Normal (Light Grey Bar)

Daily Extremes

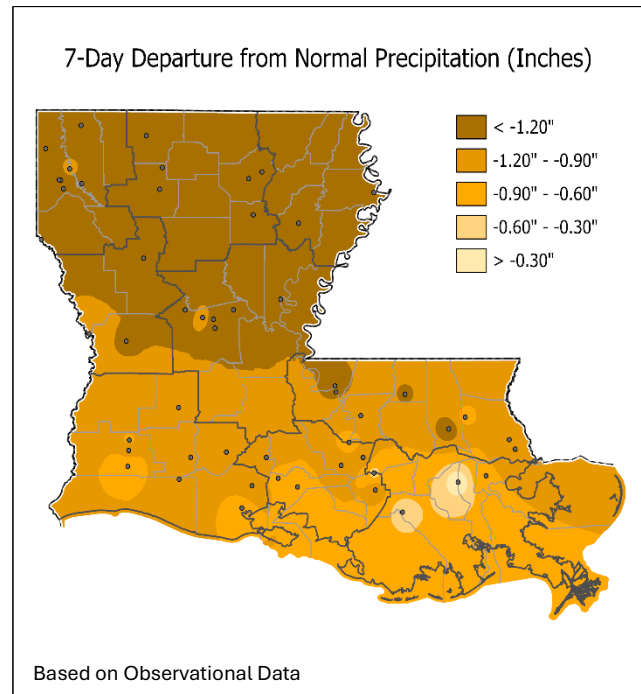
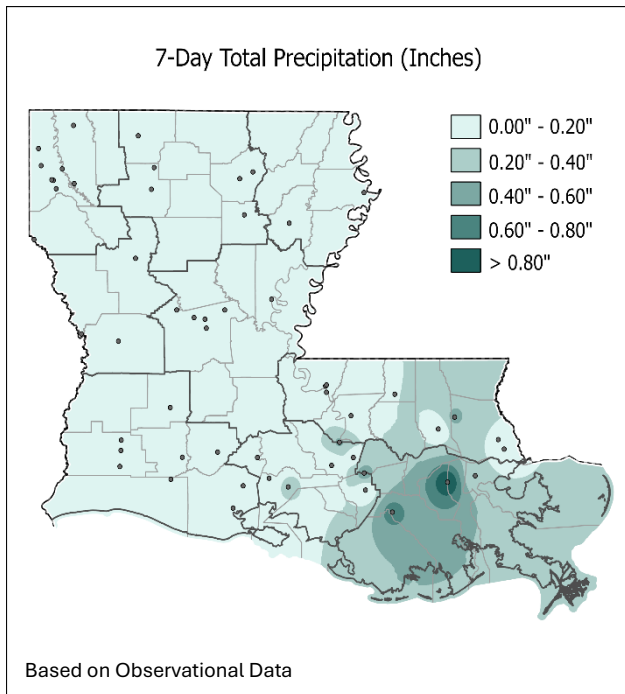
- Record High Max (Red Solid Line)
- Record High Min (Blue Dashed Line)
- Record Low Max (Red Dashed Line)
- Record Low Min (Blue Solid Line)

Rainfall (Green Bar)

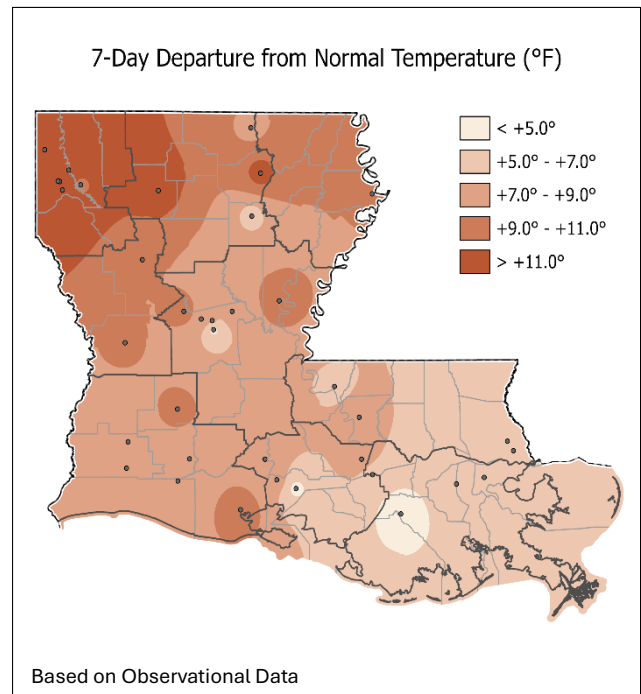
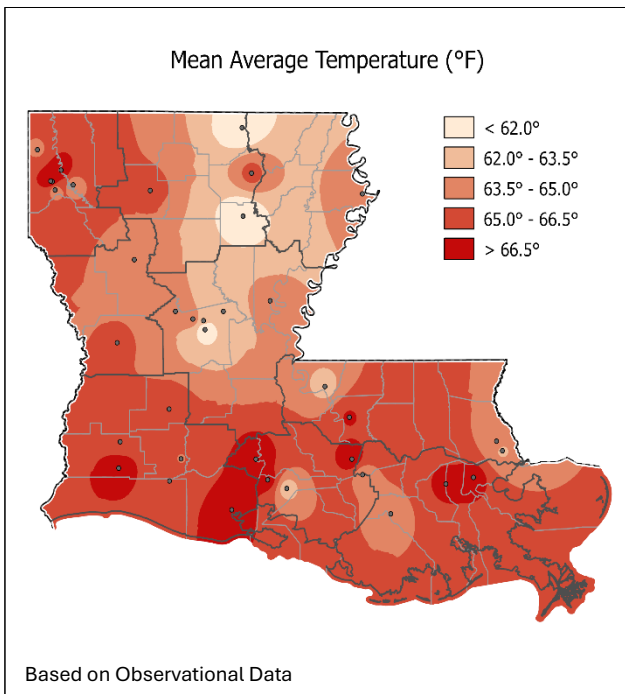


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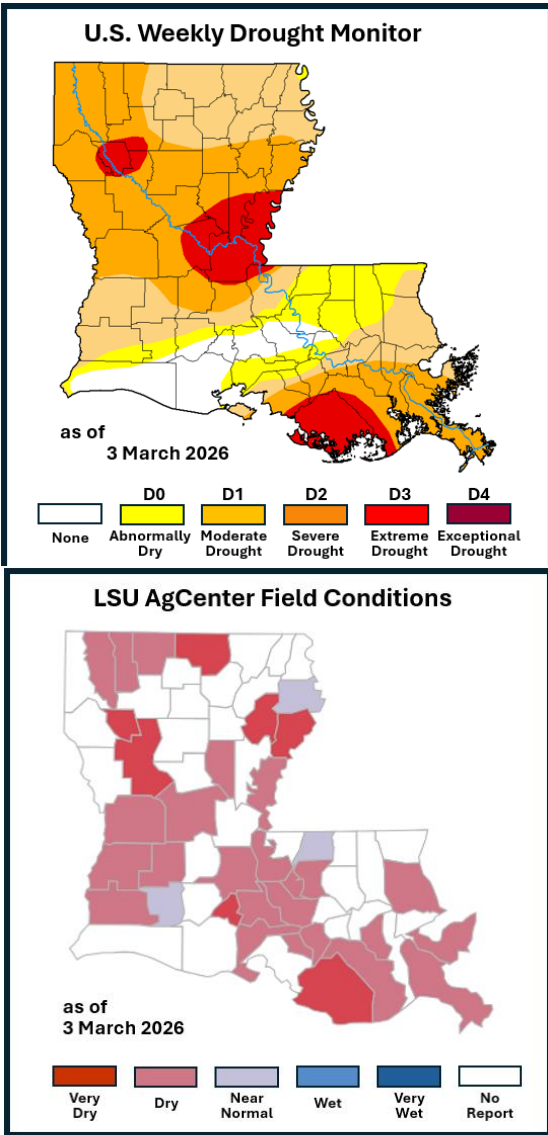
7-Day Accumulated Rainfall & Average Temperatures: 25 Feb - 03 Mar 2026



- a Pacific cold front that cleared the Bayou State on Feb 27 (see p. 4), providing the only precipitation during the 7-day period; reports indicated amounts of less than 0.20" for much of Louisiana far below the 7-day normal
- roughly half of the reporting sites recorded no rainfall for the period



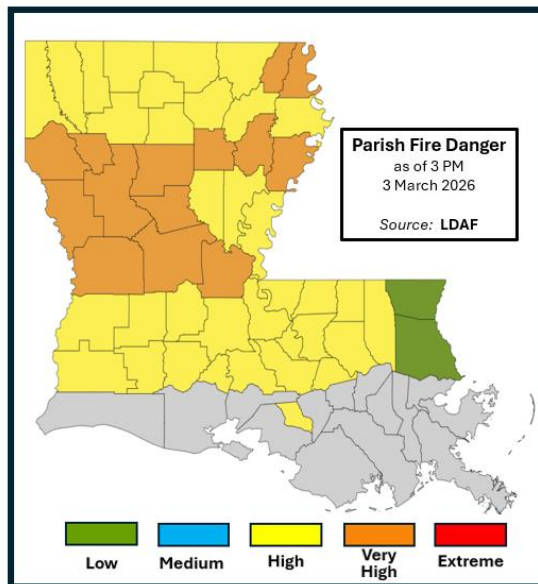
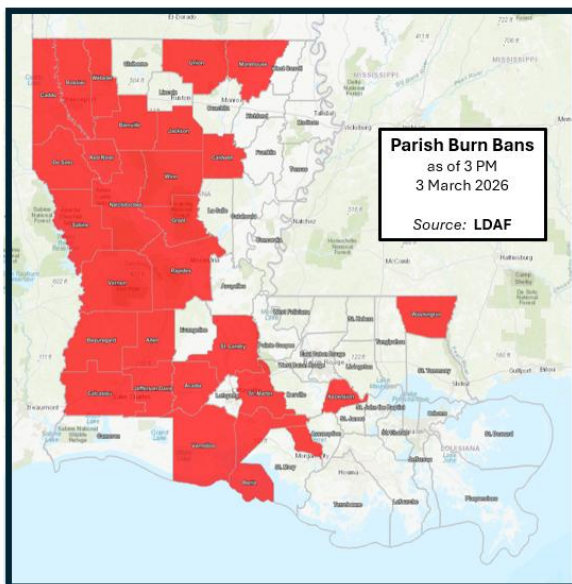
- average temperatures during the 7-day period were well above normal as the state experienced "warm" southerly flow prior to the Feb 27 front which reduced humidities but not high temperatures
- the highest temperature during the period was 85°F, recorded at Leesville (WC division) on Feb 27 and at BTR-Baton Rouge Metro AP (EC division) on Mar 03 (a new record for the date at BTR)



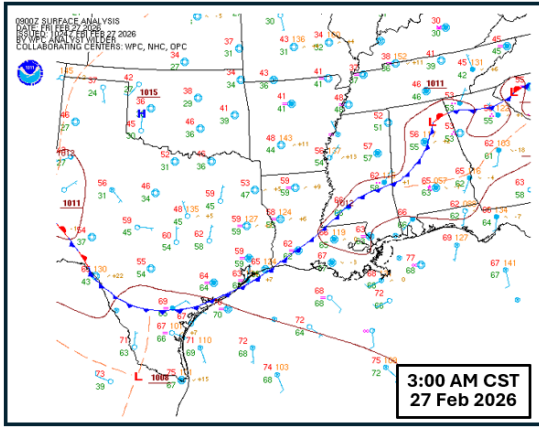
U.S. Drought Monitor: Issued March 05, 2026

- includes data thru March 03

- the updated **Drought Monitor** showed widespread degradations increasing the total amount of drought coverage to over 3/4ths of the state, with half of the state posted in D2 ('Severe Drought') or D3 ('Extreme Drought')
- a new area of D3 was added in and around Red River Parish and D3 coverage was increased in east-central and southeastern LA, bringing the state's total coverage to over 12%, the most since January 2024
- a cold front passage on Feb 27 provided minimal precipitation and the rest of the 7-day monitoring period was dry, with near-record to record temperatures which increased evapotranspiration (ET)
- for the second consecutive monitoring period, the majority of reporting stations per LOSC analysis reported 0.00" when normal 7-day amounts generally range from 1.00"-1.25"
- of the reports received, LSU AgCenter agents noted "Very Dry" conditions across 7 parishes (mostly in northern La) and "Dry" conditions across another 23 parishes across the state; agents also noted that conditions had "Slightly" to "Significantly" degraded for 16 parishes
- as of March 3rd, Parish Fire Danger Levels were posted as "Very High" for 13 parishes and "High" for 34 parishes
- as of March 3rd, 27 parishes were under Burn Bans



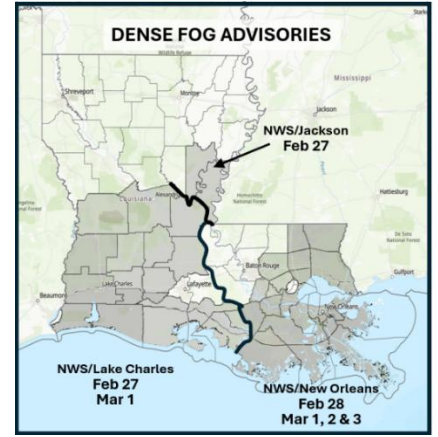
Parish **Burn Bans** are issued and lifted by local designated agencies and/or officials. **Daily Fire Danger** maps are produced by the USDA Forest Service, the Nat'l Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) & the LDAF.



Severe Weather:

It was a relatively quiet 7-day run for Louisiana, with no *Watches*, *Warnings*, nor severe weather reports posted within the state.

However, “warm” and muggy Gulf air did create locally-dense morning fog on multiple dates for numerous southern and central LA parishes over the 7-day stretch.



Tornado Reports: 25 February - 03 March 2026 (Preliminary)

EF Rating	Date	Time	Parish(es)	Peak Winds (mph)	Path Length (mi)	Path Width (yds)	Fatalities Injuries	Prop Dmg
no NWS confirmed tornado reports at this time								

Divisional and Statewide Summary: 25 Feb - 03 Mar 2026

Divisions	Avg T-Max	Avg T-Min	T-Avg (°F)	T-Avg DFN	Highest T-Max	Lowest T-Min	HDD	HDD %Norm	CDD	CDD %Norm	Total P (in.)	P-DFN (in.)	1-Day P-Max	Rain Days
Northwest	79.3	52.5	65.9	+12.0	84	29	11	13	15	500	0.00	-1.27	-	0
North Central	77.7	47.7	62.7	+9.7	84	27	16	18	9	300	0.00	-1.43	-	0
Northeast	79.9	49.0	64.4	+9.4	83	39	12	16	10	200	0.04	-1.27	0.20	0
West Central	78.5	51.0	64.7	+9.3	85	37	12	16	12	171	0.01	-1.36	0.03	0
Central	77.4	49.0	63.2	+8.2	84	29	17	23	5	125	0.01	-1.22	0.07	0
East Central	77.0	51.6	64.3	+6.7	85	29	17	29	14	233	0.19	-1.03	0.45	1
Southwest	76.0	56.7	66.3	+8.5	84	39	7	13	16	200	0.02	-0.96	0.12	0
South Central	77.3	54.1	65.7	+6.8	83	32	12	24	17	189	0.20	-0.86	0.91	1
Southeast	75.5	56.8	66.1	+5.3	82	39	8	20	18	150	0.49	-0.65	0.99	2
STATE	77.6	52.0	64.8	+8.4	85	27	12	18	13	217	0.11	-1.11	0.99	0

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Station Summaries by Division: 25 Feb – 03 Mar 2026

Includes NWS Cooperative and CoCoRaHS Stations

Northwest Division															
Stations	Avg T-Max	Avg T-Min	T-Avg	T-Avg DFN	Highest T-Max	Lowest T-Min	HDD	HDD %Norm	CDD	CDD %Norm	Total P (in.)	P- DFN (in.)	1-Day P-Max	P-Max Date	Rain Days
Blanchard	M	M	M	-	M	M	M	-	M	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Bossier City 4.0 S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Converse 7.8 NNW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Keithville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.33	-	-	0
Logansport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.38	-	-	0
Mooringsport 1 N	75.7	53.4	64.6	+11.4	79	37	14	16	13	433	0.00	-1.20	-	-	0
Plain Dealing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.29	-	-	0
Red River Res Sta	77.4	50.4	63.9	+10.5	81	38	17	20	10	333	0.00	-1.24	-	-	0
Shreveport DTN AP	81.3	55.0	68.2	+12.7	83	46	M	M	M	M	0.00	-1.14	-	-	0
Shreveport SHV AP	81.1	53.3	67.2	+12.2	83	45	1	1	19	380	0.00	-1.20	-	-	0
Shreveport WFO	79.7	56.0	67.9	+14.5	81	51	0	0	22	733	0.00	-1.31	-	-	0
SHV Southern Hills	80.3	46.6	63.4	+10.9	84	29	21	23	11	550	0.00	-1.32	-	-	0
Stonewall 5.3 NE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Taylorstown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Division	79.3	52.5	65.9	+12.0	84	29	11	13	15	500	0.00	-1.27	-	-	0
North Central Division															
Arcadia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.39	-	-	0
Bienville 3 NE	79.4	51.4	65.4	+12.1	81	41	6	7	12	400	0.00	-1.46	-	-	0
Calhoun 4.3 SSE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.69	-	-	0
Carlton 1.7 E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Columbia Lock	74.8	44.7	59.8	+6.3	84	30	M	M	M	M	0.00	-1.38	-	-	0
Homer 1 N	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	0.00	-1.49	-	-	0
Jamestown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.38	-	-	0
Jonesboro 3.8 ESE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Monroe MLU AP	79.4	51.9	65.6	+11.7	82	43	6	7	11	275	0.00	-1.30	-	-	0
Monroe 26 N	77.3	42.7	60.0	+8.6	82	27	35	36	3	150	M	M	M	M	M
Quitman 2.5 E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Rocky Branch 1.3 W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Ruston 5.4 ENE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Ruston 5.5 NNW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.48	-	-	0
Sikes 1.0 SW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
West Monroe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.34	-	-	0
Division	77.7	47.7	62.7	+9.7	84	27	16	18	9	300	0.00	-1.43	-	-	0
Northeast Division															
FSA-Oak Grove 0.2 S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.20	-	0.20	2/27	1
FSA-St. Joseph 0.5 NNW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
FSA-Tallulah 1.7 SSE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Oak Grove 1.9 E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.09	-	0.09	2/27	1
Pioneer 0.3 WSW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Tallulah TVR AP	79.9	49.0	64.4	+9.4	83	39	12	16	10	200	0.02	-1.23	0.02	2/26	1
Winnsboro 5 SSE	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	0.00	-1.36	-	-	0
Division	79.9	49.0	64.4	+9.4	83	39	12	16	10	200	0.04	-1.27	0.20	-	0

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West Central Division															
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Anacoco 3.0 SW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Campiti 5.7 ENE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Hornbeck 2.3 NE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Leesville	78.6	52.6	65.6	+9.5	85	44	8	12	14	200	0.00	-1.24	-	-	0
Leesville 7.1 SSW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.03	-	0.03	2/27	1
Natchitoches #2	78.3	49.4	63.9	+9.1	83	37	16	21	9	150	0.00	-1.37	-	-	0
Pitkin 6.6 WNW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.02	-	0.02	2/27	1
Pleasant Hill 10.2 SE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.82	-	-	0
Toledo Bend Lake	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	0.00	-1.04	-	-	0
Division	78.5	51.0	64.7	+9.3	85	37	12	16	12	171	0.01	-1.36	0.03		0
Central Division															
Alexandria	76.4	48.9	62.6	+7.4	82	34	23	32	8	200	0.00	-1.31	-	-	0
Alexandria 5 SSE	76.4	43.7	60.1	+4.3	81	29	35	50	2	33	0.00	-1.24	-	-	0
Alexandria AEX AP	78.6	50.9	64.7	+8.7	82	45	8	12	7	117	0.00	-1.07	-	-	0
Alexandria ESF AP	80.0	47.0	63.5	+8.1	84	41	M	M	M	M	0.01	-1.28	0.01	2/26	1
Boyce 3 WNW	75.1	53.0	64.1	+10.2	79	46	10	13	6	200	0.00	-1.34	-	-	0
Colfax 7.2 NW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
FSA-Ferriday 1.0 WSW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
FSA-Opelousas 1.0 ESE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.12	-	0.07	2/28	2
Grand Coteau 2.7 E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.05	-1.15	0.05	2/27	1
Hessmer 2.5 WSW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.01	-	0.01	2/26	1
Jonesville Locks	78.1	50.3	64.2	+10.4	81	48	7	9	3	100	0.00	-1.35	-	-	0
Pineville 0.4 NNW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Red River Lock #1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.08	-	-	0
Red River Lock #2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.15	-	-	0
Trout 4.4 WSW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Division	77.4	49.0	63.2	+8.2	84	29	17	23	5	125	0.01	-1.22	0.07		0
East Central Division															
Baker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.15	-1.09	M	M	M
Baton Rouge Metro AP	80.3	53.0	66.6	+7.8	85	45	6	11	19	211	0.02	-1.10	0.02	2/27	1
Baton Rouge 0.5 ESE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.09	-	0.09	2/27	1
Baton Rouge 6.2 SSE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.26	-	0.26	2/27	1
Central 2.2 SE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.16	-1.14	0.15	2/27	2
Covington 8 WNW	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	0.45	-0.83	0.45	2/27	1
Denham Springs 6.8 N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.18	-1.08	0.18	2/27	1
FSA-Amite City 0.8 SW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.04	-	0.04	2/27	1
Jackson 3.6 NNE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.07	-	0.03	2/27	3
Lacombe 1.4 N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.26	-0.95	0.26	2/28	1

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<i>LSU Campus</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.30	-0.96	0.29	2/27	2
<i>New Roads 5 NE</i>	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	0.02	-1.19	0.02	2/26	1
<i>Ponchatoula 5.3 W</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.45	-	0.45	2/27	1
<i>Port Allen</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.19	-1.03	0.19	2/27	1
<i>Slidell</i>	74.3	52.1	63.2	+5.7	83	29	25	43	15	300	M	M	M	M	M
<i>Slidell ASD AP</i>	76.9	52.1	64.5	+6.6	81	42	16	28	15	188	0.20	-0.96	0.20	2/27	1
<i>Slidell 4.4 E</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.49	-0.63	0.44	2/27	2
<i>St. Francisville 1 NE</i>	76.6	49.1	62.9	+6.6	82	34	19	30	5	167	0.07	-	0.04	2/26	2
<i>Wakefield 0.2 E</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.05	-	0.04	2/27	2
Division	77.0	51.6	64.3	+6.7	85	29	17	29	14	233	0.19	-1.03	0.45		1
Southwest Division															
<i>Abbeville</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.01	-1.07	0.01	2/27	1
<i>Branch 0.4 SSW</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.05	-	0.05	2/27	1
<i>Crowley 2 NE</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.05	-0.99	0.05	2/27	1
<i>FSA-De Ridder 0.9 E</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.02	-	0.02	2/27	1
<i>Jennings</i>	74.6	55.3	64.9	+7.4	80	39	14	24	15	250	0.05	-0.94	0.05	2/27	1
<i>Lake Arthur 7 SW</i>	73.9	58.1	66.0	+7.2	77	47	9	18	18	257	0.02	-0.96	0.02	2/27	1
<i>Lake Charles 2 N</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-0.94	-	-	0
<i>Lake Charles Port</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.05	-	-	0
<i>Lake Charles LCH AP</i>	78.4	56.3	67.4	+7.6	84	51	0	0	19	190	0.00	-0.81	-	-	0
<i>Lake Charles 4.8 SSE</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
<i>Leland Bowman Lock</i>	75.8	59.8	67.8	+10.9	80	57	M	M	M	M	0.12	-0.80	0.12	2/27	1
<i>Moss Bluff</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.01	-	-	0
<i>Moss Bluff 2 NNW</i>	78.0	53.4	65.7	+7.9	83	46	4	7	12	150	0.00	-0.89	-	-	0
<i>Oberlin Fire Tower</i>	75.5	57.0	66.3	+9.9	80	51	M	M	M	M	0.00	-1.10	-	-	0
<i>Ragley 5.0 SE</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-0.95	-	-	0
<i>Rayne 1.0 W</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.08	-	0.08	2/27	1
<i>Sulphur 2.2 E</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-0.98	-	-	0
Division	76.0	56.7	66.3	+8.5	84	39	7	13	16	200	0.02	-0.96	0.12		0

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Station Summaries by Division: 25 Feb – 03 Mar 2026

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South Central Division															
Stations	Avg T-Max	Avg T-Min	T-Avg	T-Avg DFN	Highest T-Max	Lowest T-Min	HDD	HDD %Norm	CDD	CDD %Norm	Total P (in.)	P- DFN (in.)	1-Day P-Max	P-Max Date	Rain Days
Baldwin 1.8 N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
Breaux Bridge 0.7 NNW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.05	-	0.05	2/27	1
Carencro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.10	-1.02	0.10	2/27	1
Carville 2 SW	77.5	56.7	67.1	+8.3	82	50	M	M	M	M	0.11	-1.08	0.11	2/27	1
Donaldsonville 4 SW	76.4	51.4	63.9	+5.4	82	32	20	37	14	175	0.54	-0.50	0.54	2/27	1
Jeanerette 5 NW	74.7	50.3	62.5	+4.5	81	34	22	39	6	86	0.27	-0.75	0.27	2/27	1
Lafayette LFT AP	79.1	56.4	67.8	+8.1	83	49	4	9	25	250	0.00	-1.01	-	-	0
Lafayette 2.9 ENE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	0
New Iberia ARA AP	78.9	55.9	67.4	+7.9	83	49	3	6	22	244	0.00	-0.83	-	-	0
Plaquemine 2 N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.44	-0.74	0.44	2/27	1
St. Gabriel 2.8 NNW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.91	-	0.91	2/27	1
St. Martinville 0.2 S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	-1.08	-	-	0
Division	77.3	54.1	65.7	+6.8	83	32	12	24	17	189	0.20	-0.86	0.91		1
Southeast Division															
Belle Chase 1.6 NNE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.38	-	0.37	2/28	2
Cut Off 0.8 WNW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.19	-	0.18	2/28	2
Dulac 3 N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.30	-0.71	0.30	2/28	1
Dutchtown #2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.29	-1.04	0.27	2/27	2
Gonzales	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.18	-1.00	0.18	2/27	1
Houma 4.1 NNE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.56	-	0.54	2/28	2
NO-Armstrong AP	77.1	56.7	66.9	+6.2	82	50	2	5	18	150	1.01	-0.06	0.99	2/27	2
NO-Lakefront AP	76.0	58.9	67.4	+6.5	81	51	2	5	21	191	0.17	-0.93	0.17	2/27	1
New Orleans 2.8 E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.62	-	0.47	2/28	2
Metairie 2.8 ENE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.98	-	0.96	2/28	2
Raceland 2.1 WSW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.40	-	0.40	2/28	1
St. Amant 3.3 N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.44	-	0.44	2/27	1
St. Rose 0.3 W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.64	-	0.63	2/28	2
Thibodaux 4 SE	73.4	54.7	64.1	+3.1	78	39	19	46	14	108	0.69	-0.46	0.65	2/27	2
Westwego 2.4 ENE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.45	-	0.45	2/27	1
Division	75.5	56.8	66.1	+5.3	82	39	8	20	18	150	0.49	-0.65	0.99		2

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