NWS FORM E-5 (11-88) NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (PRES. by NWS Instruction 10-924) NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE	HYDROLOGIC SERVICE AREA (HSA)  NEW ORLEANS/BATON ROUGE, LA	
MONTHLY REPORT OF HYDROLOGIC CONDITIONS	REPORT FOR:  MONTH YEAR  JUNE 2014	
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When no flooding occurs, include miscellaneous river conditions, such as significant rises, record low stages, ice conditions, snow cover, droughts, and hydrologic products issued (NWS Instruction 10-924)

An X inside this box indicates that no flooding occurred within this hydrologic service area.

... Typical Summer Weather Produced Strong Thunderstorms in June...

Typical summer convection developed across southeastern Louisiana and southern Mississippi throughout June. On the first day of the month, isolated rain amounts of over 1 inch occurred, as the remnants of the late-May weather system exited the region. The heaviest rainfall occurred over east-central and extreme southeast Louisiana, along with coastal Mississippi. Galliano, LA measured 4.25 inches and Saucier, MS recorded 3.50 inches on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Significant rains occurred the following week, as a cold front pushed south and induced scattered thunderstorms. Areal-average rain amounts ranged from 0.25 to 0.75 inch, as the weather week ended on June  $8^{th}$ .

From June 9<sup>th</sup> through June 15<sup>th</sup>, as a series of strong weather systems produced turbulent weather region-wide. Severe thunderstorms, with locally heavy rainfall, developed on June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. More downpours occurred from June 11<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup>, when a frontal boundary stalled over Louisiana and Mississippi. Widespread rain amounts over 3.0 inches were reported. The greatest rainfall totals for the week (in inches) were: Slidell, LA (4.82); Baton Rouge, LA (4.81); Port Allen, LA (4.78); and Livingston, LA (4.71). By June 15<sup>th</sup>, the widespread storms yielded areal-average rain totals that ranged from 1.25 inches over extreme southeast Louisiana up to 3.45 inches over east-central Louisiana.

Scattered convection produced typical, Southern, summer weather starting June 16<sup>th</sup>. Isolated rain totals over 1 inch occurred over east-central and extreme southeast Louisiana. Otherwise, areal-average rain totals for the week were generally 0.5 to 1 inch over southeastern Louisiana and less than 0.1 inch over southern Mississippi.

A strong cold front, unstable air, and abundant moisture combined to produce bouts of wind damage, tornadoes, flash floods and copious rainfall over southeastern Louisiana and southern Mississippi over the last days of June. Widespread rain totals over 1 inch occurred. Local rain amounts over 4.0 were reported over east-central and extreme southeast Louisiana. The greatest rainfall totals for the week (in inches) were: Port Allen, LA (6.47); Baton Rouge, LA (5.45); and New Orleans (MSY), LA (5.15). For the weather week that ended June 29<sup>th</sup>, areal-average rain amounts ranged from 2.70 inches to 2.98 inches in Louisiana, while amounts were generally 1 to 2 inches across southern Mississippi.

## Floods...

Late-May downpours caused rises on the rivers and streams across southeastern Louisiana and southern Mississippi. In Louisiana, flooding continued into June on the Tchefuncte River at Covington and at Folsom; on the Bogue Falaya River at Camp Covington Girl Scout Camp and in downtown Covington at Boston Street; and on the Tangipahoa River at Robert. In Mississippi, the Wolf River was above flood stage near Gulfport and the Biloxi River was above the flood stage at Lyman at the start of June. All flooding ended by June 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **Extreme Rainfall for the Month (Inches and Departure from Normal)**

Port Allen, LA	11.75	+4.84	St. Gabriel, LA	9.76	+2.63
Baton Rouge/Concord, LA	11.36	+4.95	Abita Springs Fire Tower, LA	9.42	+2.74
Abita Springs, LA	10.58	+4.11	Bayou Sorrel Lock, LA	9.07	+2.41
Mount Hermon, LA	10.55	+5.22	Galliano, LA	8.89	+1.65

<b>Monthly Reports by Agricultural Region</b>	Areal Average	<b>Departure from Normal</b>
Southwest Mississippi (1 Site)	N/A	N/A
South Central Mississippi (1 Site)	5.01	-0.24
Coastal Mississippi	6.28	+0.03
Central Louisiana (2 Sites)	8.94	+2.66
East Central Louisiana	7.73	+1.61
South Central Louisiana (6 Sites)	8.03	+1.17
Southeast Louisiana	6.42	- 0.81

## Drought...

Soil moisture contents were at normal levels across southeastern Louisiana, southwestern Mississippi and coastal Mississippi throughout the month of June.