



# Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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**Week Ending April 27, 2014**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 27, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 41 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 6 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 28 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 45.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Fulton to 64.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 77.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Poplarville to 85.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Monticello. The precipitation for this week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the central region.

**Crop progress for week ending April 27, 2014**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, planted	75	64	82	92
Corn, emerged	51	42	55	80
Cotton, planted	4	1	0	17
Hay-Cool Season, harvested	7	2	15	31
Peanuts, planted	8	--	0	4
Rice, planted	24	15	12	56
Rice, emerged	14	8	6	35
Sorghum, planted	8	0	1	36
Sorghum, emerged	1	--	0	20
Soybeans, planted	24	14	10	38
Soybeans, emerged	9	4	3	20
Watermelons, planted	48	34	30	70
Winter Wheat, headed	42	16	49	80

**Crop condition for week ending April 27, 2014**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Blueberries	0	2	30	65	3
Livestock	0	4	26	55	15
Pasture	1	10	32	46	11
Winter Wheat	0	3	29	55	13

## Comments

“The corn went in the ground this week. We basically planted the crop in 6 days. Corn planted on Saturday, April 19 is coming out of the ground today, Friday.”

-Stephen R. Winters, Grenada

“Some farmers were able to get some corn planted this past week. One reported over 200 acres planted Tuesday and Wednesday, while another stated some burn down and fertilizer applications were all he was able to do. Temperatures were favorable for both field work and pasture growth. Potential flooding in low areas could cause some concern for some of the corn that did get planted from a storm system that moved in Sunday. With the threat of a frost hopefully behind us, gardeners and vegetable growers and gardeners are busy getting those first vegetables planted as well.”

- Terry Wayne “Skip” Glidewell, Prentiss

“Wet conditions have prevented much field work. We still could have some corn planted if conditions dry soon but most are considering switching to soybeans or grain sorghum.”

-Trent Barnette, Calhoun

“Drier and warmer conditions have allowed for farmers to get in the fields more. Delayed planting has created some issues with weed control. Watermelons are behind to a similar degree as last year.”

-Mitchell Hunter, Greene

“We had some better weather this week with more sunshine and dryer days, which allowed the farmers to get in the field to get their corn fields planted. I do know that a couple of farmers in the area were able to get some soybeans planted. Overall we had a lot better week for planting. I did notice that while driving around the last part of the week that a majority of the wheat has headed out. The pastures for livestock are looking better as well with more sunshine. Overall a much better week than the past few.”

-James Randall, Monroe

“In need of rain and hope to get it today. Soil moisture is beginning to get short.”

-Amanda Walker, Lawrence

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**Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending April 27, 2014**

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Upper Delta</b>										
Clarksdale	79.0	52.3	65.7	64.6	0.8	0.41	1	0.17	3.36	0.95
Cleveland	80.4	54.3	67.4	65.4	1.9	1.59	3	0.35	5.91	1.41
Lambert	81.3	49.4	65.4	65.0	0.3	0.31	1	0.88	3.16	-0.52
Tunica	79.2	55.3	67.3	65.2	1.9	0.65	1	0.44	3.43	-1.52
Extreme/Average	80.0	52.8	66.4	65.1	1.2	0.74	3	0.29	3.96	0.08
<b>North-Central</b>										
Ashland	79.1	48.6	63.9	NA	NA	0.61	2	0.68	2.98	-1.90
Batesville	81.0	49.4	65.2	63.4	1.8	0.00	0	1.31	0.82	-3.65
Hickory Flat	80.1	46.6	63.4	62.3	1.1	0.64	2	0.66	3.03	-1.83
Independence	78.4	49.7	64.1	62.4	1.7	0.75	2	0.47	2.72	-1.72
University	82.0	51.4	66.7	63.5	3.2	0.15	3	1.15	3.13	-1.89
Extreme/Average	80.1	49.1	64.6	62.9	1.9	0.43	3	0.85	2.54	-2.20
<b>Northeast</b>										
Booneville	79.3	47.4	63.4	61.8	1.6	0.25	3	0.98	3.35	-1.29
Corinth	79.1	46.6	62.9	61.8	1.1	0.65	2	0.62	2.78	-1.46
Fulton	79.9	45.4	62.6	63.0	-0.4	0.29	3	1.03	5.09	0.34
Pontotoc	79.4	55.4	67.4	62.8	4.6	0.47	3	0.84	5.62	1.04
Tupelo	79.7	52.8	66.3	64.5	1.9	0.06	1	0.93	4.90	0.84
Verona	79.9	50.0	64.9	63.9	1.0	0.04	1	1.15	4.79	0.28
Extreme/Average	79.5	49.6	64.6	63.0	1.6	0.29	3	0.92	4.42	-0.04
<b>Lower Delta</b>										
Belzoni	79.2	56.5	67.9	66.8	1.4	2.08	2	1.36	10.9	7.11
Moorhead	79.1	57.3	68.2	66.2	2.0	2.53	3	1.29	9.10	4.10
Rolling Fork	82.6	57.4	70.0	66.6	3.4	0.49	3	0.72	11.5	7.07
Yazoo City	85.0	56.3	70.7	66.0	4.5	0.59	3	0.47	13.9	9.21
Extreme/Average	81.5	56.9	69.2	66.4	2.8	1.42	3	0.37	11.4	6.87
<b>Central</b>										
Canton	80.6	51.4	66.0	65.2	0.8	0.44	2	0.68	10.1	5.16
Eupora	78.8	48.5	63.6	63.6	0.2	0.00	0	0.61	5.82	2.68
Kosciusko	80.7	51.7	66.2	63.7	2.5	2.05	2	0.95	13.4	8.32
Winona	78.6	48.1	63.4	62.1	1.3	1.46	3	0.22	8.61	4.15
Extreme/Average	79.7	49.9	64.8	63.6	1.2	0.99	3	0.03	9.47	5.08
<b>East-Central</b>										
Aberdeen	79.5	48.5	64.0	64.2	0.6	0.12	1	1.05	4.59	0.66
Columbus	81.2	55.3	68.3	65.6	2.8	1.04	3	0.13	7.11	2.94
Macon	80.2	51.2	65.7	64.5	1.2	0.50	2	0.02	5.01	2.45
Philadelphia	80.4	53.9	67.1	65.8	1.3	0.52	1	0.62	10.1	5.12
State University	80.9	51.6	66.2	64.6	1.6	0.40	3	0.66	7.87	3.23
Extreme/Average	80.4	52.1	66.3	64.9	1.5	0.52	3	0.44	6.93	2.88
<b>Southwest</b>										
Crystal Springs	81.0	56.0	68.5	67.8	0.7	0.02	1	1.17	8.07	3.30
Natchez	80.6	53.3	66.9	66.9	0.0	0.05	1	0.94	5.75	1.42
Oakley	82.3	53.2	67.8	66.3	1.4	0.23	2	0.69	8.04	3.72
Vicksburg City	80.3	55.7	68.0	66.7	1.3	0.23	2	0.87	10.4	5.79
Extreme/Average	81.0	54.5	67.8	66.9	0.8	0.13	2	0.92	8.07	3.56
<b>South-Central</b>										
Collins	79.7	56.3	68.0	66.2	1.8	0.00	0	1.04	6.80	2.21
Columbia	82.0	55.9	68.9	67.6	1.3	0.00	0	1.09	3.86	-1.17
Monticello	85.9	59.9	72.9	67.1	5.8	0.00	0	1.18	1.41	-2.89
Extreme/Average	82.5	57.4	69.9	67.0	3.0	0.00	0	1.10	4.02	-0.62
<b>Southeast</b>										
Hattiesburg	78.4	56.2	67.3	67.6	-0.1	0.01	1	0.74	4.68	0.24
Laurel	82.1	57.9	70.0	66.8	3.2	0.01	1	0.98	8.14	4.22
Newton	80.1	50.6	65.4	64.5	0.9	0.04	2	1.12	10.3	5.36
Extreme/Average	80.2	54.9	67.6	66.3	1.3	0.02	2	0.95	7.71	3.27
<b>Coastal</b>										
Biloxi	77.4	64.0	70.7	70.0	0.7	0.00	0	0.96	4.80	0.69
Poplarville	77.0	55.3	66.2	67.6	-0.8	0.03	1	0.44	4.68	1.09
Extreme/Average	77.2	59.6	68.4	68.8	-0.1	0.01	1	0.70	4.74	0.89
<b>State</b>	80.3	53.5	66.9	65.5	1.5	0.45	2	0.59	6.65	2.27

DFN = Departure from Normal.

NA = Not Available.