



# Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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**Week Ending July 13, 2014**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, July 13, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 21 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 22 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 63.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Aberdeen to 73.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Monticello. Highs ranged from 85.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 94.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Monticello. The precipitation for this week was widespread throughout the state, with the highest concentration of rainfall in the coastal region of the state with an average of 3.48 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending July 13, 2014**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, silked	94	92	92	98
Corn, dough	58	44	46	78
Corn, dent	22	13	0	38
Cotton, squaring	80	73	82	92
Cotton, setting bolls	39	18	18	44
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	47	35	65	63
Peanuts, emerged	95	90	98	98
Peanuts, pegging	40	34	69	81
Rice, headed	27	4	18	30
Sorghum, emerged	99	95	100	100
Sorghum, headed	46	24	52	65
Sorghum, coloring	8	1	2	13
Soybeans, emerged	98	96	100	100
Soybeans, blooming	65	53	65	83
Soybeans, setting pods	30	19	11	49
Sweet Potatoes, planted	95	87	100	100
Winter Wheat, harvested	100	97	100	100

**Crop condition for week ending July 13, 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	1	29	63	7
Corn	0	6	23	45	26
Cotton	0	2	27	57	14
Hay	0	4	27	57	12
Livestock	0	3	21	60	16
Pasture	0	5	20	60	15
Peanuts	0	2	34	53	11
Rice	0	0	12	63	25
Sorghum	0	2	18	62	18
Soybeans	0	6	24	51	19
Sweet Potatoes	0	3	35	52	10
Watermelons	0	3	24	62	11

## Comments from Extension Agents

“Armyworms are really hammering the milo. We are close to full heading on most of it and trying to wait to spray. Yellow spots are showing in cotton and we are trying to figure out what is going on there.”

-Stephen R. Winters, Grenada County

“Hot dry weather has been persistent in the area over the last couple of weeks and scattered showers have been very illusive. Crops are reaching the critical point of needing moisture. Irrigation is in full swing and will remain that way until we receive adequate precipitation. A promising forecast has significant chance of rain for several days this week.”

- Preston Aust, Humphreys County

“Hay producers in the county are having issues with armyworms, reducing yields and quality.”

-Taylor Louis Casey, Attala County

“The weather has been wet this past week. Local watermelon growers are seeing the side effects of a cool, wet spring.”

-Randall H. McKey III, Amite County

“Having lots of weed issues in pastures. Most relate back to less than adequate nutrition and low pH. Most healthy perennial grass stands will reduce weeds to a more manageable level. Forage managers should take advantage of soil sampling through the local extension offices.”

- Bert Gilmore, Jasper County

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**Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending July 13, 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	87.8	70.7	79.3	81.1	-1.8	0.03	1	-0.75	1.64	-1.02
Cleveland	89.1	70.6	79.9	82.0	-2.1	0.44	2	-0.42	2.92	-1.07
Tunica	88.3	72.7	80.5	82.3	-1.8	0.22	1	-0.57	2.80	-0.78
Extreme/Average	88.4	71.3	79.9	81.8	-1.9	0.23	2	-0.58	2.45	-0.96
<b>North-Central</b>										
Ashland	86.0	66.4	76.2	NA	NA	1.88	2	0.88	3.56	-0.33
Batesville	87.3	67.3	77.3	80.1	-2.7	0.30	1	-0.54	3.79	-0.09
Hickory Flat	87.4	65.1	76.3	79.1	-2.8	0.36	2	-0.67	3.71	-0.41
Independence	85.1	68.6	76.9	79.4	-2.6	0.96	2	-0.03	5.14	1.08
University	89.1	67.7	78.4	80.8	-2.4	0.58	2	-0.35	2.71	-1.28
Extreme/Average	87.0	67.0	77.0	79.8	-2.6	0.82	2	-0.14	3.78	-0.21
<b>Northeast</b>										
Booneville	86.7	65.4	76.1	78.8	-2.7	1.32	1	0.46	3.05	-0.58
Corinth	88.1	66.6	77.4	79.1	-1.8	3.60	2	2.48	5.73	1.46
Fulton	85.7	66.3	76.0	79.2	-3.2	1.55	2	0.51	4.39	0.15
Pontotoc	87.4	67.9	77.6	79.3	-1.6	0.28	1	-0.69	2.89	-0.95
Tupelo	86.8	69.4	78.1	80.9	-2.8	0.73	2	0.02	3.33	0.02
Verona	88.9	70.0	79.4	81.0	-1.6	0.30	1	-0.56	4.64	0.87
Extreme/Average	87.3	67.6	77.4	79.7	-2.3	1.30	2	0.37	4.00	0.16
<b>Lower Delta</b>										
Moorhead	88.3	72.9	80.6	82.0	-1.4	0.15	1	-0.76	1.66	-1.95
Rolling Fork	91.1	71.9	81.5	82.4	-0.9	1.81	2	0.93	3.93	0.63
Yazoo City	91.4	72.0	81.7	81.3	0.4	1.17	4	0.33	4.35	1.43
Extreme/Average	90.3	72.3	81.3	81.9	-0.6	1.04	4	0.17	3.31	0.04
<b>Central</b>										
Canton	89.5	68.0	78.8	80.9	-2.1	1.00	2	0.27	2.97	0.08
Eupora	88.4	68.0	78.3	79.6	-1.4	2.88	2	1.95	4.00	0.39
Kosciusko	88.9	69.1	79.0	79.6	-0.6	0.24	1	-0.98	0.31	-3.52
Winona	86.9	66.7	76.8	78.8	-2.0	1.93	3	0.78	4.38	0.00
Extreme/Average	88.4	68.0	78.2	79.7	-1.5	1.51	3	0.50	2.92	-0.76
<b>East-Central</b>										
Aberdeen	90.5	63.5	77.0	80.8	-3.6	0.27	1	-0.44	4.41	0.87
Columbus	90.2	69.2	79.7	81.6	-1.9	0.65	1	-0.22	2.50	-1.61
Macon	87.9	69.4	78.6	80.8	-2.1	0.92	3	-0.22	3.06	-0.93
Philadelphia	90.0	69.6	79.8	81.5	-1.7	0.00	0	-1.01	1.10	-2.64
State University	91.0	70.4	80.7	81.1	-0.4	0.74	2	-0.23	2.31	-1.50
Extreme/Average	89.9	68.4	79.2	81.1	-1.9	0.52	3	-0.42	2.68	-1.16
<b>Southwest</b>										
Crystal Springs	89.3	69.4	79.4	81.5	-2.1	1.16	3	0.07	4.23	-0.31
Natchez	88.9	69.6	79.2	80.7	-1.4	0.00	0	-0.92	3.30	-0.95
Oakley	91.0	70.4	80.7	82.0	-1.2	2.12	5	1.25	4.24	0.23
Vicksburg City	87.6	71.0	79.5	82.0	-2.5	0.48	2	-0.65	3.13	-0.55
Extreme/Average	89.2	70.1	79.7	81.5	-1.8	0.94	5	-0.06	3.72	-0.40
<b>South-Central</b>										
Collins	92.6	72.6	82.6	80.6	1.9	1.90	3	0.81	3.78	-0.03
Columbia	89.4	69.1	79.3	81.8	-2.5	1.33	2	0.08	4.62	-0.53
Monticello	94.6	73.3	83.9	81.8	2.1	0.29	3	-0.61	3.60	-0.19
Extreme/Average	92.2	71.7	81.9	81.4	0.5	1.17	3	0.09	4.00	-0.25
<b>Southeast</b>										
Hattiesburg	89.0	68.9	78.9	81.6	-2.6	0.37	4	-0.96	2.66	-2.24
Laurel	92.0	71.4	81.7	81.1	0.6	0.43	2	-0.72	1.73	-2.81
Extreme/Average	90.5	70.2	80.3	81.3	-1.0	0.40	4	-0.84	2.20	-2.53
<b>Coastal</b>										
Biloxi	89.6	72.9	81.2	82.5	-1.3	3.48	2	1.72	5.04	-2.29
Extreme/Average	89.6	72.9	81.2	82.5	-1.3	3.48	2	1.72	5.04	-2.29
<b>State</b>	89.3	69.8	79.5	81.0	-1.5	1.09	3	0.03	3.34	-0.87

DFN = Departure from Normal.

Normal= Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.

NA = Not Available.