



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 2 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, March 27, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 35 percent adequate, and 64 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 36 percent adequate, and 63 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 31.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Aberdeen to 53.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 53.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Aberdeen to 70.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Waynesboro. Most of the state received some rain with the coastal part of the state receiving the most at an average of 2.15 inches.

Crop progress for week ending March 27, 2016

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, planted	5	NA	3	29
Watermelons, planted	7	NA	5	11

NA = Not Available.

Crop condition for week ending March 27, 2016

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	13	76	10
Livestock	0	4	21	58	17
Pasture	1	5	32	51	11
Winter Wheat	4	7	42	44	3

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“We still have a lot of water to drain off fields. Some corn has been planted.”

-Don Respass, Coahoma County

“Abnormal amounts of rainfall continue to prevent producers from all fieldwork. Most corn planted prior to the excess rain will be replanted due to saturated conditions. Winter wheat conditions range from poor to good and needs sunshine and warmer temperatures.”

-Jon M. Carson, Issaquena & Sharkey Counties

“Limited corn planting has started but small rains have held us back. Burndown applications are a priority now.”

-Gina Wills, Union County

“Most of our livestock stock operations are seeing welcomed rain which has produced winter grazing adequate for their operations.”

-Bert Gilmore, Jasper County

“Farmers were working over the weekend to get the fields broke up and corn planted. With all the rains throughout March, they finally caught a break this past week.”

-Tracy Robertson, Carroll County

“Weekly large rain events have slowed fieldwork to a crawl on all but the driest ground. What has been planted has plenty of moisture. Blueberry crop looks to be great barring an extreme weather event like hail.”

-Ross Alan Overstreet, Lamar County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending March 27, 2016

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cleveland	66.9	40.7	53.8	56.3	-2.5	0.33	2	-0.72	16.00	12.27
Lambert	64.3	43.9	54.1	56.0	-2.0	0.32	1	-0.67	12.86	9.66
Tunica	59.5	41.7	50.6	55.9	-5.2	0.30	2	-0.72	10.44	6.63
Extreme/Average	63.6	42.1	52.8	56.1	-3.2	0.32	2	-0.70	13.10	9.52
North-Central										
Ashland	64.1	38.4	51.3	NA	NA	0.15	3	-1.02	6.14	1.70
Hickory Flat	65.4	35.1	50.3	53.3	-3.0	0.60	2	-0.49	5.61	1.25
Independence	63.9	38.4	51.1	53.8	-2.6	0.34	1	-0.74	12.60	8.60
University	67.1	37.6	52.4	54.8	-2.4	0.39	3	-0.72	8.27	3.92
Extreme/Average	65.1	37.4	51.3	53.9	-2.7	0.37	3	-0.74	8.16	3.87
Northeast										
Booneville	64.6	36.0	50.3	53.2	-3.0	0.37	1	-0.72	3.41	-0.90
Corinth	63.7	37.9	50.8	53.1	-2.3	0.40	1	-0.52	2.91	-0.77
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	64.6	35.6	50.1	54.4	-4.4	0.59	1	-0.46	5.64	1.22
Tupelo	65.4	40.4	52.9	54.7	-1.8	0.55	1	-0.56	4.12	-0.03
Verona	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	64.6	37.5	51.0	53.9	-2.8	0.48	1	-0.56	4.02	-0.12
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	64.0	40.3	52.1	57.9	-5.8	0.50	1	-0.60	5.15	1.19
Moorhead	62.7	43.3	53.0	57.4	-4.3	0.46	2	-0.47	11.15	7.12
Rolling Fork	68.2	44.8	56.5	58.1	-1.5	0.56	1	-0.21	9.05	5.42
Yazoo City	69.4	44.7	57.1	57.4	-0.4	0.94	1	-0.30	8.81	3.73
Extreme/Average	66.1	43.3	54.7	57.7	-3.0	0.61	2	-0.39	8.54	4.37
Central										
Canton	68.0	39.4	53.7	57.6	-3.9	0.36	1	-0.76	7.82	4.17
Kosciusko	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Winona	64.1	33.0	48.6	54.5	-5.9	0.55	1	-0.52	6.49	2.19
Extreme/Average	66.0	36.2	51.1	56.1	-4.9	0.46	1	-0.64	7.16	3.18
East-Central										
Aberdeen	53.0	31.0	42.0	56.2	-13.4	0.40	1	-0.62	4.62	0.52
Columbus	68.6	44.6	56.6	57.8	-1.2	0.27	1	-0.48	4.44	1.43
Macon	64.0	36.4	50.2	57.0	-6.7	0.01	1	-0.71	1.86	-0.75
Philadelphia	66.4	38.8	52.6	58.6	-5.8	0.25	1	-0.54	7.70	3.61
State University	67.4	39.4	53.4	55.8	-2.4	0.33	2	-0.71	6.47	2.23
Extreme/Average	63.9	38.0	51.0	57.1	-5.9	0.25	2	-0.61	5.02	1.41
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	68.5	43.8	56.2	60.1	-3.9	0.60	2	-0.41	10.14	5.76
Natchez	66.6	40.3	53.4	60.1	-6.7	0.30	1	-1.03	11.63	6.55
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	68.1	49.4	58.8	58.8	0.0	0.85	1	-0.43	10.28	5.80
Extreme/Average	67.7	44.5	56.1	59.6	-3.5	0.58	2	-0.62	10.68	6.04
South-Central										
Collins	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbia	70.0	44.4	57.2	60.5	-3.3	0.66	2	-0.60	13.91	9.01
Monticello	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	70.0	44.4	57.2	60.5	-3.3	0.66	2	-0.60	13.91	9.01
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	68.8	43.3	56.1	60.6	-4.5	0.36	3	-0.59	11.01	7.10
Laurel	69.6	41.3	55.4	59.3	-3.9	0.13	2	-0.98	10.96	6.95
Waynesboro	70.6	40.7	55.6	59.0	-3.4	0.05	1	-1.08	13.47	8.72
Extreme/Average	69.7	41.8	55.7	59.7	-3.9	0.18	3	-0.88	11.81	7.59
Coastal										
Biloxi	67.2	53.3	60.3	62.3	-2.0	2.15	3	0.93	7.11	1.98
Poplarville	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	67.2	53.3	60.3	62.3	-2.0	2.15	3	0.93	7.11	1.98
State	66.6	41.5	54.0	57.8	-3.7	0.56	2	-0.53	8.96	4.69

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.