



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 2.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 3, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short 1 percent short, 31 percent adequate, and 68 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 39 percent adequate, and 60 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 41.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Hickory Flat to 56.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 67.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Aberdeen to 79.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Waynesboro. Most of the state received some rain with the central part of the state receiving the most at an average of 3.54 inches.

Crop progress for week ending April 3, 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	19	5	25	49
Corn, Emerged	6	0	0	18
Rice, Planted	6	0	7	8
Watermelons, Planted	14	7	15	23
Winter Wheat, headed	3	0	2	14

Crop condition for week ending April 3, 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	0	13	79	8
Livestock	0	3	25	56	16
Pasture	1	6	25	58	10
Winter Wheat	2	10	44	40	4

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“3-5 inches of rain were received last week and the week before which is keeping some growers out of fields. Cooler temperatures are also making some cautious about planting.”

-Ruby Rankin, Kemper County

“Conditions are still wet for the fields and farmers still looking for some dryer days to get crops in the ground. We only have about 1,100 acres of corn planted in the whole county. Livestock are still using hay, but pasture conditions are improving some.”

-James “Randall” Nevins, Monroe County

“Frequent rains and saturated soils have kept the planters out of the fields. To date, a few acres of corn is all that have been planted. Hoping for a dry week to get some seed in the ground.”

-Preston Aust, Humphreys County

“Late week storm brought 3-4 inches of rain in some areas, however, no substantial damage reported. Plenty of rain and warm temperatures have cool season forages progressing nicely.”

- Terry Wayne “Skip” Glidewell, Prentiss County

“Heavy mid-week rainfall stopped all field work. Corn may struggle to emerge packed soils. Still have some burndown applications needing to go out.”

-Bill Burdine, Union County

“Producers have just begun to prepare their fields. In our area, we have had rainy conditions each week for a few weeks in a row. No planting has taken place yet.”

- Suzanne "Marie" Rogers, Itawamba County

“All cropland is just too wet to do any farm work, need a couple of weeks to dry out. Rye grass pastures are real boggy for grazing. Looks like hay supplies will be adequate.”

Lee Taylor, Forrest County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending April 3, 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	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Lambert	71.1	47.9	59.5	57.9	1.6	2.84	2	1.84	14.66	11.47
Tunica	70.4	43.6	57.0	57.9	-0.9	3.95	2	2.69	13.49	8.88
Extreme/Average	70.8	45.8	58.3	57.9	0.4	3.40	2	2.27	14.07	10.18
North-Central										
Ashland	67.4	43.6	55.5	NA	NA	2.85	2	1.68	8.27	3.68
Hickory Flat	69.7	41.3	55.5	55.2	0.3	3.14	3	2.04	8.00	3.58
Independence	71.1	42.7	56.9	55.7	1.3	2.19	3	1.12	13.62	9.48
University	73.0	43.7	58.3	56.6	1.9	4.34	3	3.35	11.57	7.30
Extreme/Average	70.3	42.8	56.6	55.8	1.1	3.13	3	2.05	10.37	6.01
Northeast										
Booneville	69.0	44.0	56.5	55.1	1.4	4.33	3	3.23	7.13	2.74
Corinth	68.7	43.4	56.1	55.0	1.1	2.96	3	1.92	5.04	1.27
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	70.3	46.3	58.3	56.2	2.2	2.40	1	1.48	7.02	2.76
Tupelo	70.3	47.0	58.6	56.7	1.9	3.38	2	2.26	6.69	2.29
Verona	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	69.6	45.2	57.4	55.7	1.7	3.27	3	2.22	6.47	2.26
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	70.9	49.1	60.0	59.8	0.2	2.67	3	1.56	7.38	3.27
Moorhead	70.4	50.3	60.4	59.3	1.0	4.74	3	3.59	14.57	10.21
Rolling Fork	75.8	53.8	64.8	59.9	5.0	2.49	3	1.53	11.22	7.67
Yazoo City	75.4	54.4	64.9	59.3	5.7	2.45	3	1.22	10.75	5.67
Extreme/Average	73.1	51.9	62.5	59.6	3.0	3.09	3	1.98	10.98	6.71
Central										
Canton	71.7	47.0	59.4	59.2	0.2	3.23	4	2.00	11.05	6.49
Kosciusko	71.9	46.6	59.2	57.2	2.0	2.80	3	1.48	11.73	6.64
Winona	69.6	41.6	55.6	56.1	-0.5	4.59	4	3.52	9.45	5.17
Extreme/Average	71.1	45.1	58.0	57.5	0.6	3.54	4	2.33	10.74	6.10
East-Central										
Aberdeen	67.3	45.8	56.6	58.0	-1.4	1.54	2	0.64	5.07	1.04
Columbus	77.7	49.3	63.5	59.4	4.2	2.80	2	1.89	6.70	3.47
Macon	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Philadelphia	72.6	49.1	60.9	60.2	0.7	2.94	3	1.72	9.44	4.84
State University	71.3	46.6	58.9	57.6	1.3	1.68	4	0.54	6.61	2.28
Extreme/Average	72.2	47.7	60.0	58.8	1.2	2.24	4	1.20	6.96	2.91
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	72.4	50.4	61.4	61.6	-0.2	3.00	4	1.84	12.52	8.23
Natchez	71.0	51.9	61.4	61.5	-0.1	1.45	3	0.19	12.78	7.66
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	73.0	55.7	64.4	60.2	4.1	3.31	3	2.16	13.13	8.53
Extreme/Average	72.1	52.7	62.4	61.1	1.3	2.59	4	1.40	12.81	8.14
South-Central										
Collins	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbia	77.3	56.0	66.6	61.9	4.7	3.01	4	1.67	16.27	11.15
Monticello	77.3	51.0	64.1	61.9	2.2	1.51	3	0.64	2.38	-0.59
Extreme/Average	77.3	53.5	65.4	61.9	3.5	2.26	4	1.16	9.32	5.28
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	76.0	55.9	65.9	62.1	3.8	3.85	5	2.62	14.46	9.89
Laurel	72.9	50.6	61.7	60.9	0.8	1.89	4	0.78	11.82	7.59
Waynesboro	79.2	51.8	65.5	60.6	5.2	2.10	3	1.28	14.41	10.03
Extreme/Average	76.0	52.8	64.4	61.2	3.3	2.61	5	1.56	13.56	9.17
Coastal										
Biloxi	72.0	56.7	64.4	63.9	0.5	2.82	3	1.56	9.56	4.33
Poplarville	73.7	53.0	63.3	61.9	1.5	2.78	5	1.68	12.19	7.52
Extreme/Average	72.8	54.9	63.8	62.9	1.0	2.80	5	1.62	10.88	5.92
State	72.7	49.3	61.0	59.3	1.7	2.86	3	1.75	10.70	6.33

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.