



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, May 8, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 6 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 28 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 7 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 46.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 59.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 72.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 81.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Monticello. Most of the state received some rain with the east central part of the state receiving the most at an average of 1.39 inches.

Crop progress for week ending May 8, 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	94	89	92	95
Corn, emerged	88	76	82	87
Cotton, planted	35	21	36	33
Cotton, emerged	16	6	13	16
Hay – cool season, harvested	35	22	36	37
Peanuts, planted	27	12	21	26
Peanuts, emerged	5	NA	NA	NA
Rice, planted	80	69	77	66
Rice, emerged	65	53	54	52
Sorghum, planted	34	24	58	44
Sorghum, emerged	21	12	30	29
Soybeans, planted	57	46	65	50
Soybeans, emerged	39	25	42	34
Watermelons, planted	67	56	72	69
Winter Wheat, headed	88	75	87	91
Winter Wheat, coloring	20	2	12	2

NA = Not Available.

Crop condition for week ending May 8, 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	12	81	7
Corn	2	7	29	50	12
Livestock	0	3	20	59	18
Pasture	1	4	24	60	11
Rice	0	2	24	59	15
Winter Wheat	2	10	38	42	8

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Cotton is going in the ground as quick as they can reload the planters. Corn looks good with most of it having the nitrogen on it and the layby going out this weekend. If we do not get any rain the first half of the week of May 8th, we will have 90% of the cotton planted.”

- Stephen "Steve" R. Winters, Grenada County

“Producers reported a large amount of acres were planted in soybean and cotton this week. Reports also suggested a great amount of fertilizer and herbicide applications were made. Corn is entering the rapid growth stages and winter wheat looks great and is beginning to color.”

- Jon M. Carson, Issaquena & Sharkey Counties

“Producers have taken full advantage of this break in the rains including trying to catch up with weeds. A fair amount of soybean and cotton acreage was planted over the latter part of last week and the weekend.”

- Alex Deason, Sunflower County

“Some hail damage to corn across the western portion of Lowndes County after several storms passed through the area. Planting and tillage work has resumed after several days of dry weather. Many cattle producers have been applying broad leaf weed control over the last several days.”

- Reid Nevins, Lowndes County

“Livestock and hay producers hit the fields running throughout the week finishing up harvest of cool season hay and baleage, and making applications of needed lime, fertilizer, and herbicides. Corn and soybean farmers continued planting and the fields that have germinated are looking great.”

- Lamar Adams, Pike County

“Farmers are making good progress on finishing up corn planting and starting on peanuts and cotton. Beef producers are grazing spring grasses and ryegrass. Enjoying some dry weather for a change.”

- Lee Taylor, Forrest County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending May 8, 2016

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	76.3	52.7	64.5	68.0	-3.7	1.07	2	-0.16	6.72	2.20
Cleveland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Lambert	76.0	50.7	63.3	68.6	-5.3	2.27	2	1.00	9.69	5.66
Tunica	72.3	52.0	62.1	68.6	-6.5	0.56	2	-0.76	5.80	0.62
Extreme/Average	74.9	51.8	63.3	68.4	-5.1	1.30	2	0.03	7.40	2.83
North-Central										
Ashland	72.1	50.7	61.4	NA	NA	0.96	2	-0.39	5.38	0.24
Hickory Flat	73.6	47.1	60.4	65.4	-5.0	0.64	2	-0.81	5.91	0.62
Independence	72.0	49.1	60.6	65.6	-5.0	0.74	2	-0.63	7.88	3.00
University	75.9	50.1	63.0	66.9	-3.9	1.70	2	0.22	8.13	2.76
Extreme/Average	73.4	49.3	61.3	66.0	-4.6	1.01	2	-0.40	6.82	1.65
Northeast										
Booneville	74.4	48.3	61.4	64.8	-3.5	0.28	2	-1.08	4.94	-0.07
Corinth	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tupelo	73.7	51.7	62.7	67.7	-5.0	0.52	2	-0.85	6.76	2.02
Verona	74.3	51.6	62.9	67.3	-4.4	0.38	2	-1.00	5.61	0.73
Extreme/Average	74.1	50.5	62.3	66.6	-4.3	0.39	2	-0.98	5.77	0.89
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	75.7	52.5	64.1	70.2	-6.2	0.07	1	-1.18	1.77	-2.71
Moorhead	75.4	55.7	65.6	69.4	-3.9	0.08	2	-1.11	5.82	0.86
Rolling Fork	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yazoo City	79.3	56.0	67.6	69.2	-1.5	2.45	2	1.15	7.25	2.19
Extreme/Average	76.8	54.7	65.8	69.6	-3.9	0.87	2	-0.38	4.95	0.11
Central										
Canton	76.4	50.4	63.4	68.4	-4.9	0.91	2	-0.31	5.61	0.84
Kosciusko	76.0	51.7	63.9	66.7	-2.8	1.03	2	-0.15	5.77	1.01
Winona	74.1	46.7	60.4	65.3	-4.9	0.19	2	-1.14	5.40	0.44
Extreme/Average	75.5	49.6	62.6	66.8	-4.2	0.71	2	-0.53	5.59	0.76
East-Central										
Aberdeen	NA	NA	NA	67.2	NA	0.78	3	-0.44	6.45	2.04
Columbus	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Macon	75.0	51.0	63.0	67.8	-4.9	1.33	2	0.64	5.08	3.26
Philadelphia	76.4	51.7	64.1	68.8	-4.8	0.71	3	-0.35	4.34	-0.26
State University	75.3	53.0	64.2	67.8	-3.5	2.74	3	1.87	6.62	2.40
Extreme/Average	75.6	51.9	63.7	67.9	-4.4	1.39	3	0.43	5.62	1.86
Southwest										
Crystal Springs										
Natchez	76.0	52.7	64.4	69.8	-5.5	0.16	2	-0.92	2.54	-1.59
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	79.6	58.3	68.9	70.0	-1.0	0.80	1	-0.39	9.58	5.12
Extreme/Average	77.8	55.5	66.6	69.9	-3.2	0.48	2	-0.66	6.06	1.77
South-Central										
Collins	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbia	78.2	54.3	66.3	70.7	-4.3	0.17	2	-0.69	2.87	-1.46
Monticello	81.4	55.9	68.6	69.9	-1.3	0.92	2	-0.24	5.07	0.85
Extreme/Average	79.8	55.1	67.4	70.3	-2.8	0.55	2	-0.46	3.97	-0.30
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	77.0	54.4	65.7	70.5	-4.8	0.21	2	-0.68	6.38	2.20
Laurel	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	77.0	54.4	65.7	70.5	-4.8	0.21	2	-0.68	6.38	2.20
Coastal										
Biloxi	77.1	59.3	68.2	73.1	-4.9	0.04	1	-0.98	8.74	4.71
Poplarville	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	77.1	59.3	68.2	73.1	-4.9	0.04	1	-0.98	8.74	4.71
State	76.3	53.1	64.7	68.9	-4.2	0.68	2	-0.46	6.04	1.58

DFN = Departure from Normal.
 Normal = Averaged Collected Date from the Years 1981-2010.
 NA = Not Available.