



# Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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**Week Ending May 15, 2016**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, May 15, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent very short, 18 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 12 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 48.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Aberdeen to 69.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 77.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence and Booneville to 90.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. Most of the state received some rain with the upper delta part of the state receiving the most at an average of 0.65 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending May 15, 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	96	94	96	97
Corn, emerged	92	88	89	92
Cotton, planted	64	35	62	55
Cotton, emerged	38	16	40	32
Hay – cool season, harvested	53	35	52	47
Peanuts, planted	45	27	38	44
Peanuts, emerged	20	5	13	14
Rice, planted	88	80	90	77
Rice, emerged	75	65	69	62
Sorghum, planted	50	34	74	56
Sorghum, emerged	32	21	47	41
Soybeans, planted	72	57	76	64
Soybeans, emerged	55	39	56	46
Sweet Potatoes, planted	2	0	6	4
Watermelons, planted	80	67	77	74
Winter Wheat, headed	94	88	94	97
Winter Wheat, coloring	49	20	45	NA

**Crop condition for week ending May 15, 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	80	8
Corn	1	5	26	53	15
Livestock	0	2	18	62	18
Pasture	1	4	23	61	11
Rice	0	2	22	59	17
Winter Wheat	1	9	40	42	8

NA = Not Available.

## Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“The past week has been a dry one. Producers are looking forward to a wet forecast this upcoming week. Rye grass hay producers are in full swing with the dry weather, looking to beat the upcoming rain.”

- Randall "Randy" H. McKey III, Amite County

“Great week for growers. A lot of our ground got planted this week. We need some warm dry weather to finish planting and clean up some fields.”

- Don Respass, Coahoma County

“Drier weather allowed producers to finish spring hay baling. Soybean planting is nearing completion, and corn is looking good. Cooler temperatures have been welcomed by livestock producers and rain this week should perk up summer pastures. Gardens are off to a good start.”

- Charles "Richard" Hay, Walthall County

“Planting of row crops is proceeding quickly. Dry weather has greatly helped farmers to get into fields. Rye grass hay being cut this weekend. Most cattle look good. Gardens could use a good rain as well as corn.”

- Lee Taylor, Forrest County

“Row crops are looking good. This week had little to no rainfall. Good week for farmers to be in the fields.”

- Rilondricks Beeman, Jefferson County

“Producers had a productive week in the field. Crops are emerging fast and looking pretty good. We could use a rain.”

- Preston Aust, Humphreys County

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**Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending May 15, 2016**

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	81.7	62.5	72.1	70.1	2.1	0.56	1	-0.62	3.46	-1.42
Cleveland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Lambert	82.0	60.0	71.0	70.9	0.1	1.19	2	-0.29	2.92	-1.49
Tunica	82.2	63.8	73.0	70.7	2.5	0.20	2	-0.71	3.44	-1.33
Extreme/Average	82.0	62.1	72.0	70.6	1.6	0.65	2	-0.54	3.27	-1.41
<b>North-Central</b>										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hickory Flat	78.0	54.6	66.3	67.2	-1.0	0.34	3	-1.07	3.15	-2.33
Independence	77.4	57.3	67.4	67.5	-0.2	0.24	2	-1.06	4.41	-0.70
University	81.0	58.1	69.6	68.9	0.7	0.40	2	-1.03	4.01	-1.51
Extreme/Average	78.8	56.7	67.7	67.9	-0.1	0.33	3	-1.05	3.86	-1.51
<b>Northeast</b>										
Booneville	77.4	56.3	66.9	66.7	0.2	0.56	3	-0.78	3.46	-1.72
Corinth	78.9	58.6	68.7	67.1	1.7	0.33	1	-1.11	0.89	-1.37
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tupelo	80.0	60.4	70.2	69.5	0.7	0.22	1	-1.17	3.34	-1.75
Verona	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	78.8	58.4	68.6	67.8	0.8	0.37	3	-1.02	2.56	-1.61
<b>Lower Delta</b>										
Belzoni	78.6	60.6	69.6	72.2	-2.6	0.00	0	-1.01	1.45	-2.98
Moorhead	81.0	63.4	72.2	71.4	0.8	0.33	1	-0.75	2.88	-1.86
Rolling Fork	88.0	61.6	74.8	72.0	2.8	0.00	0	-0.83	2.28	-0.99
Yazoo City	86.1	64.7	75.4	71.0	4.4	0.20	1	-1.06	4.49	-0.53
Extreme/Average	83.4	62.6	73.0	71.7	1.4	0.13	1	-0.91	2.77	-1.59
<b>Central</b>										
Canton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kosciusko	81.6	59.4	70.5	68.6	1.9	0.31	1	-0.85	1.88	-2.72
Winona	79.7	54.6	67.1	67.3	-0.2	0.68	1	-0.39	2.76	-2.12
Extreme/Average	80.7	57.0	68.8	68.0	0.9	0.49	1	-0.62	2.32	-2.42
<b>East-Central</b>										
Aberdeen	80.3	48.0	64.2	69.2	-4.4	0.00	0	-1.21	2.70	-1.74
Columbus	90.2	62.0	76.1	70.6	5.7	0.55	1	-0.11	5.06	1.86
Macon	81.8	59.8	70.8	69.9	1.2	0.63	1	0.03	2.30	0.69
Philadelphia	82.6	59.6	71.1	70.8	0.3	0.00	0	-1.00	1.23	-3.07
State University	82.4	61.3	71.9	69.7	2.2	0.42	1	-0.61	4.21	0.01
Extreme/Average	83.5	58.1	70.8	70.0	1.0	0.32	1	-0.58	3.10	-0.45
<b>Southwest</b>										
Crystal Springs	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Natchez	82.9	59.9	71.4	71.6	-0.3	0.05	1	-1.01	1.29	-2.83
Oakley	85.0	61.9	73.4	71.5	1.9	0.14	1	-0.83	1.54	-2.63
Vicksburg City	85.0	66.1	75.6	71.9	3.7	0.00	0	-1.18	1.96	-2.48
Extreme/Average	84.3	62.6	73.5	71.7	1.8	0.06	1	-1.01	1.60	-2.65
<b>South-Central</b>										
Collins	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbia	85.3	65.3	75.3	72.7	2.8	0.00	0	-0.91	1.55	-2.40
Monticello	90.0	65.4	77.7	71.8	5.9	0.00	0	-1.24	2.95	-1.30
Extreme/Average	87.7	65.3	76.5	72.2	4.3	0.00	0	-1.07	2.25	-1.85
<b>Southeast</b>										
Hattiesburg	85.4	62.8	74.1	72.3	2.0	0.00	0	-0.65	1.11	-2.48
Laurel	83.4	60.7	72.1	71.4	0.6	0.02	1	-0.98	1.31	-1.83
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	84.4	61.8	73.1	71.9	1.3	0.01	1	-0.81	1.21	-2.16
<b>Coastal</b>										
Biloxi	82.6	69.1	75.9	75.0	0.9	0.00	0	-0.93	6.07	2.17
Poplarville	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	82.6	69.1	75.9	75.0	0.9	0.00	0	-0.93	6.07	2.17
<b>State</b>	<b>82.7</b>	<b>61.1</b>	<b>71.9</b>	<b>70.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-0.85</b>	<b>2.72</b>	<b>-1.51</b>

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.