



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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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 29, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 13 percent very short, 30 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 29 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 58.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 70.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 82.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi to 90.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. The northern and southwestern sections of the state received some rain with the southwest part of the state receiving the most at an average of 1.90 inches.

Crop progress for week ending May 29, 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	100	98	100	100
Corn, emerged	98	94	95	98
Corn, silking	1	0	1	12
Cotton, planted	91	81	83	83
Cotton, emerged	80	64	72	65
Hay-Cool Season, harvested	74	65	66	69
Peanuts, planted	82	70	57	71
Peanuts, emerged	67	49	46	45
Rice, planted	98	96	95	93
Rice, emerged	94	88	86	85
Sorghum, planted	87	80	83	76
Sorghum, emerged	70	48	72	65
Soybeans, planted	89	82	83	82
Soybeans, emerged	78	66	73	71
Sweet Potatoes, planted	15	7	16	27
Watermelons, planted	94	85	83	86
Winter Wheat, headed	99	95	98	99
Winter Wheat, coloring	85	71	90	NA
Winter Wheat, harvested	5	1	3	21

Crop condition for week ending May 29, 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	11	63	26
Corn	1	6	32	44	17
Cotton	0	9	38	42	11
Livestock	0	3	19	58	20
Pasture	2	6	28	55	9
Peanuts	0	6	31	58	5
Rice	0	2	21	55	22
Sorghum	1	3	24	63	9
Soybeans	1	8	27	47	17
Winter Wheat	1	7	43	41	8

NA = Not Available.

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“We have missed the rain again. So far we only have on average about 0.3 inches for May. We need a rain. Thrips are getting worse in the cotton. Some guys are putting thrip materials out with their Roundup applications just because they are going over the field since the thrips are getting close to threshold.”

- Stephen "Steve" R. Winters, Grenada County

“Dry weather has allowed much fieldwork to progress this week, although we could use some light rain. Sweet Potato growers have begun to set sweet potato slips, these transplants are in need of some light rains as well.”

- Trent Barnett, Calhoun County

“Scattered rains have helped jumpstart most crops planted. Hay production has begun across the area. Some areas are experiencing drying conditions in hopes for rains in the near future.”

- Nicholas “Nick” Simmons, Tippah County

“Conditions have been extremely dry, and with the sudden increase in temperatures it’s taking a toll on crops and pasture conditions.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

“Planting going full blast, really good weather for getting field crop work done. Pastures growing well but could use a rain. We are beginning to get dry. Lots of weeds in pastures, Vaseygrass beginning to take over some Bahia pastures.”

- Lee Taylor, Forrest County

“Conditions are extremely dry. Lots of acres with incomplete stands. Producers are irrigating corn and young soybeans. Some are irrigating beds so they can complete planting and a few are beginning to try to irrigate planted crops to emergence. We need a rain.”

- Preston Aust, Humphreys County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending May 29, 2016

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	84.8	61.4	73.1	73.9	-0.9	2.10	2	1.36	3.80	-0.36
Cleveland	89.3	64.6	76.9	74.6	2.3	1.20	2	0.13	2.05	-3.47
Lambert	87.9	64.3	76.1	75.0	1.1	1.50	1	0.31	3.46	-1.42
Tunica	85.8	64.3	75.1	74.6	0.6	1.44	4	0.44	2.90	-1.64
Extreme/Average	87.0	63.7	75.3	74.5	0.8	1.56	4	0.56	3.05	-1.72
North-Central										
Ashland	84.3	60.6	72.4	NA	NA	1.01	3	-0.24	2.45	-2.73
Hickory Flat	83.4	59.3	71.4	70.8	0.5	1.81	3	0.51	3.14	-2.31
Independence	83.1	62.7	72.9	71.3	1.6	1.56	4	0.46	3.98	-0.92
University	87.6	63.7	75.6	72.7	2.9	0.04	1	-1.21	2.36	-3.08
Extreme/Average	84.6	61.6	73.1	71.6	1.7	1.11	4	-0.12	2.98	-2.26
Northeast										
Booneville	83.7	58.7	71.2	70.4	0.8	0.35	1	-0.95	1.24	-4.07
Corinth	85.3	60.7	73.0	70.8	2.2	0.61	1	-0.59	2.09	-2.69
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tupelo	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Verona	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	84.5	59.7	72.1	70.6	1.5	0.48	1	-0.77	1.67	-3.38
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	85.3	67.5	76.4	75.9	0.5	0.00	0	-1.18	0.07	-4.84
Moorhead	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Rolling Fork	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yazoo City	89.6	68.6	79.1	74.5	4.5	0.00	0	-1.25	2.65	-2.47
Extreme/Average	87.4	68.0	77.7	75.2	2.5	0.00	0	-1.21	1.36	-3.66
Central										
Canton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kosciusko	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Winona	85.0	58.6	71.8	71.2	0.6	0.00	0	-1.10	0.87	-3.41
Extreme/Average	85.0	58.6	71.8	71.2	0.6	0.00	0	-1.10	0.87	-3.41
East-Central										
Aberdeen										
Columbus	90.4	64.6	77.5	74.0	3.7	0.00	0	-0.69	0.55	-2.28
Macon	84.8	59.6	72.2	73.8	-1.4	0.00	0	-0.71	2.01	-0.53
Philadelphia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
State University	87.6	63.7	75.6	73.2	2.4	0.00	0	-1.07	3.18	-0.96
Extreme/Average	87.6	62.6	75.1	73.7	1.6	0.00	0	-0.82	1.91	-1.26
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Natchez	83.6	65.4	74.5	74.9	-0.4	2.17	2	1.03	2.76	-1.45
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	89.0	69.9	79.4	75.2	4.2	1.62	2	0.51	2.69	-1.68
Extreme/Average	86.3	67.7	77.0	75.0	1.9	1.90	2	0.77	2.72	-1.56
South-Central										
Collins	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbia	86.9	65.1	76.0	76.1	-0.1	0.00	0	-1.26	2.15	-1.97
Monticello	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	86.9	65.1	76.0	76.1	-0.1	0.00	0	-1.26	2.15	-1.97
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	86.6	63.0	74.8	75.7	-0.6	0.00	0	-0.81	3.63	0.54
Laurel	84.4	61.6	73.0	74.7	-1.7	0.00	0	-1.09	3.95	0.53
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	85.5	62.3	73.9	75.2	-1.2	0.00	0	-0.95	3.79	0.54
Coastal										
Biloxi	82.7	70.6	76.6	78.0	-1.4	0.00	0	-1.10	2.74	-1.36
Poplarville	84.0	63.0	73.5	77.2	-3.7	0.00	0	-1.34	6.90	2.11
Extreme/Average	83.3	66.8	75.1	77.6	-2.5	0.00	0	-1.22	4.82	0.37
State	85.8	63.5	74.7	74.0	0.7	0.50	0	-0.61	2.48	-1.80

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