



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, September 4, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 27 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent very short, 25 percent short, 63 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 67.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 75.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 88.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 96.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Yazoo City. The state did not receive much rain, with the east central part of the state receiving the most at an average of 1.50 inches.

Crop progress for week ending September 4, 2016

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, dent	100	98	100	100
Corn, mature	93	86	94	95
Corn, harvested	58	30	79	70
Cotton, setting bolls	96	93	99	100
Cotton, open bolls	46	30	55	47
Peanuts, dug	10	9	21	10
Peanuts, harvested	7	1	9	5
Rice, headed	100	99	99	98
Rice, mature	78	49	72	64
Rice, harvested	28	10	31	29
Sorghum, coloring	90	85	98	94
Sorghum, mature	71	43	83	68
Sorghum, harvested	22	6	48	27
Soybeans, blooming	100	98	100	100
Soybeans, setting pods	95	94	97	99
Soybeans, turning color	62	51	68	59
Soybeans, dropping leaves	34	21	52	37
Soybeans, mature	27	14	38	NA
Soybeans, harvested	12	5	23	13
Sweet potatoes, harvested	8	0	8	8

Crop condition for week ending September 4, 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	2	13	59	26
Corn	1	10	25	38	26
Cotton	1	7	31	45	16
Livestock	0	3	23	58	16
Pasture	1	7	31	53	8
Peanuts	0	2	24	59	15
Rice	0	2	22	48	28
Sorghum	2	8	26	52	12
Soybeans	1	7	20	46	26
Sweet Potatoes	0	8	37	49	6

NA = Not Available.

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Harvest is in full swing. Corn, rice, and soybeans are all being harvested. Yields are looking good, especially in early soybeans and rice. Cotton defoliation is getting close.”

- Drew Wilson, Quitman County

“Sweet potatoes and corn are coming out of the field. Fall armyworms continue to present a problem in hayfields and pastures. Rainfall at this point wouldn't be of much use on early crops. We need harvest weather.”

- Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie County

“Great weather conditions this week allowed producers to make tremendous progress in crop harvesting. Corn harvesting is nearly complete, harvest aids are being applied to later planted soybeans. Defoliant applications are being made to cotton, and the rice and early planted soybean harvest are in full swing.”

- Jon M. Carson, Sharkey and Issaquena Counties

“Crop and pasture conditions remain steady with cooler overnight temperatures. Corn harvest is in progress across the county. Soybean conditions remain good but could use some rainfall to push them through maturity. Soil moisture is decreasing and lack of rainfall has pastures beginning to dry up.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

“Early planted soybeans are coloring. Dryer conditions allowed corn harvest to begin in the later part of this week. Most producers with hay are harvesting. Grass is plentiful in most areas.”

- Allan "Keith" Whitehead, Franklin County

“We are getting a little dry in some areas of the county. Cotton bolls are opening up. Corn is harvested. Pasture grass is getting tough for grazing. Lots of hay has been rolled.”

Lee Taylor, Forrest County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending September 4, 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	93.3	72.1	82.7	80.4	2.3	0.00	0	-0.83	5.53	2.64
Lambert	92.6	69.4	81.0	79.3	1.7	0.00	0	-0.63	2.95	0.05
Tunica	90.8	70.3	80.6	79.1	1.3	0.00	0	-0.49	4.94	2.59
Extreme/Average	92.2	70.6	81.4	79.6	1.8	0.00	0	-0.65	4.47	1.76
North-Central										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hickory Flat	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Independence	88.3	67.0	77.6	76.8	0.8	0.00	0	-0.63	2.54	-0.22
University	93.1	67.9	80.5	78.1	2.4	0.00	0	-0.76	2.45	-0.72
Extreme/Average	90.7	67.5	79.1	77.5	1.6	0.00	0	-0.70	2.50	-0.47
Northeast										
Booneville	90.0	68.4	79.2	76.2	3.0	0.00	0	-0.77	2.54	-0.87
Corinth	90.1	67.3	78.7	76.1	2.6	0.17	1	-0.59	2.28	-0.42
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tupelo	90.7	69.4	80.1	78.6	1.4	0.00	0	-0.68	4.32	1.08
Verona	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	90.3	68.4	79.3	77.0	2.3	0.06	1	-0.68	3.05	-0.07
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	91.7	71.0	81.4	80.4	1.0	0.00	0	-0.72	2.95	0.13
Moorhead	92.3	70.7	81.5	80.1	1.4	0.29	1	-0.43	3.84	1.25
Rolling Fork	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yazoo City	96.7	74.0	85.4	79.6	5.8	0.00	0	-0.79	2.26	-0.95
Extreme/Average	93.6	71.9	82.7	80.0	2.7	0.10	1	-0.65	3.02	0.14
Central										
Canton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kosciusko	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Winona	95.1	67.7	81.4	76.8	4.6	0.00	0	-0.90	1.35	-1.86
Extreme/Average	95.1	67.7	81.4	76.8	4.6	0.00	0	-0.90	1.35	-1.86
East-Central										
Aberdeen	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbus	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Macon	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Philadelphia	93.4	70.6	82.0	79.8	2.2	3.00	1	2.15	7.08	3.08
State University	94.7	71.0	82.9	78.4	4.4	0.00	0	-0.80	2.39	-1.22
Extreme/Average	94.1	70.8	82.4	79.1	3.3	1.50	1	0.67	4.74	0.93
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	90.8	72.8	81.8	79.2	2.4	0.01	1	-0.74	7.41	3.47
Natchez	88.9	70.3	79.6	79.1	0.5	0.28	1	-0.49	7.95	4.13
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	91.4	72.3	81.9	80.0	1.9	0.00	0	-0.99	5.38	2.17
Extreme/Average	90.4	71.8	81.1	79.4	1.6	0.10	1	-0.74	6.91	3.26
South-Central										
Collins	94.4	71.3	82.9	79.0	3.8	0.05	1	-0.95	4.72	1.06
Columbia	91.1	72.6	81.9	80.5	1.3	0.00	0	-1.02	7.82	3.59
Monticello	95.7	74.6	85.1	80.3	4.9	0.00	0	-0.61	2.41	-0.15
Extreme/Average	93.7	72.8	83.3	79.9	3.3	0.02	1	-0.86	4.98	1.50
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	93.0	72.8	82.9	80.5	2.4	0.57	2	-0.44	6.53	1.66
Laurel	91.6	70.6	81.1	79.3	1.7	0.00	0	-0.99	5.30	1.29
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	92.3	71.7	82.0	79.9	2.1	0.28	2	-0.71	5.92	1.48
Coastal										
Biloxi	91.1	75.4	83.3	81.6	1.7	0.13	2	-1.17	7.85	2.43
Poplarville	90.6	74.6	82.6	79.8	2.8	0.03	2	-0.97	5.82	1.28
Extreme/Average	90.7	74.4	82.5	80.8	1.7	0.09	2	-1.12	5.15	0.46
State	92.4	70.7	81.5	79.0	2.6	0.24	0	-0.62	4.26	0.73

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.