Crop Progress & Condition Report

Week Ending: July 28, 2013   **Released: July 29, 2013**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, July 28, 2013**. Some farmers in Humphreys County were trying to harvest high moisture corn. Crops looked average to good despite early rains. Soil moisture was rated 1 percent very short, 15 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus.

Crop progress for week ending July 28, 2013

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*
Corn, silked	98	95	100	100
Corn, dough	92	71	99	98
Corn, dent	58	24	88	84
Corn, mature	5	--	33	21
Cotton, squaring	96	92	100	99
Cotton, setting bolls	52	34	89	83
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	70	65	76	70
Peanuts, pegging	92	87	99	99
Rice, headed	46	25	86	62
Sorghum, heading	78	62	99	96
Sorghum, coloring	21	3	54	44
Soybeans, blooming	86	77	98	97
Soybeans, setting pods	36	28	92	87
Watermelons, harvested	96	91	97	92

Crop condition for week ending July 28, 2013

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*	*Percent*
Corn	0	7	33	47	13
Cotton	1	4	27	53	15
Hay	0	0	41	34	25
Livestock	0	0	9	69	22
Pasture	0	2	41	36	21
Peanuts	0	0	8	71	21
Rice	0	1	30	54	15
Sorghum	0	3	30	60	7
Soybeans	1	9	28	52	10
Watermelons	0	0	88	12	0

Comments

"More showers this week have crops looking really good. Some cotton is being sprayed for insects."

— Don Respess, Coahoma

"Cool nights are a concern when it gets below 65 degrees. Could use some rain, but for now we have pretty good moisture in most areas in the county. Some worm pressure but overall the crops look pretty good. Just need a long growing season this year."

— Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie

"Row crops are doing well due to the almost every other day thunder showers we received. Pastures and hay fields are summering well also due to the surplus moisture. Hay harvest has been a gamble, with several cut acres receiving a few surprise pop up showers over the past week. Cooler, below normal temperatures has accompanied these timely rains."

— Skip Glidewell, Prentiss

"With two rain events moving through the area most everyone got some much needed rain. This rain will be enough to carry our early planted corn to maturity. So far insect pressure remains low."

— Jerry Singleton, Leflore

"Soybeans are looking very good some early varieties should be maturing in the next couple of weeks. Corn that is high moisture is being harvested on some farms that have on farm grain dryers. Rice and sorghum are both heading. Cotton is looking very good."

— Lester Stephens, Washington

"Grass in hay fields is becoming rank and tough. Rain showers have prevented timely hay harvest. Corn is turning color and harvest should begin by the end of the month if not sooner."

— Lee Taylor, Forrest

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending July 28, 2013

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation			
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks
Upper Delta									
Charleston 1N	93	62	78	82	-4	1.22	0.32	2	1.44
Clarksdale	91	69	79	82	-3	1.37	0.56	2	2.59
Cleveland	92	63	78	83	-5	0.75	-0.05	4	1.16
Tunica 2	92	64	76	82	-6	2.47	1.74	2	5.05
Extreme/Average	93	62	77	82	-5	1.61	0.80	3	1.16
North-Central									
Batesville 2SW	91	62	77	80	-3	2.72	1.89	2	2.95
Grenada 5NNE	93	63	78	81	-3	1.73	0.80	3	1.95
Hickory Flat	91	59	75	80	-5	1.93	0.95	4	4.02
Holly Springs 4	94	56	77	79	-2	2.18	1.22	4	2.83
Independence 1W	90	60	75	81	-6	2.87	2.08	3	3.81
University	92	58	76	81	-5	3.31	2.45	3	3.99
Extreme/Average	94	56	76	81	-5	2.29	1.40	4	3.61
Northeast									
Fulton 3W	92	61	76	82	-6	1.20	0.24	2	3.54
Booneville	90	62	75	80	-5	1.45	0.56	2	4.73
Tupelo 2	92	64	77			1.95	0.00	3	3.42
Corinth City	91	62	75	82	-7	0.96	0.05	3	5.13
Verona Exp	92	63	77	81	-4	0.77	-0.00	3	1.58
Extreme/Average	92	61	76	81	-5	1.34	0.45	3	3.42
Lower Delta									
Belzoni	91	64	79	82	-3	0.45	-0.68	1	1.08
Moorhead	91	65	79	83	-4	1.69	0.71	4	2.21
Rolling Fork	97	65	81	82	-1	0.93	0.10	2	1.82
Yazoo City 5NNE	95	65	82	82	0	1.56	0.65	2	2.38
Extreme/Average	97	64	80	83	-3	1.65	0.74	3	2.27
Central									
Kosciusko	90	65	78	81	-3	0.56	-0.67	4	3.67
Winona 5E	90	62	77	78	-1	0.98	0.02	4	1.55
Extreme/Average	90	62	78	81	-3	0.56	-0.46	4	3.67
East-Central									
Aberdeen	89	64	77	81	-4	1.55	0.74	3	5.32
Macon 2E	91	64	79	81	-2	1.71	0.71	4	3.50
Philadelphia 1W	92	65	79	81	-2	1.56	0.50	4	4.38
State University	94	68	79	81	-2	1.62	0.67	4	3.62
Extreme/Average	94	64	79	81	-2	1.58	0.62	4	4.44
Southwest									
Brookhaven City	91	64	80	81	-1	0.00	-1.05	0	2.05
Crystal Springs	91	64	80	82	-2	1.76	0.88	3	4.56
Natchez	91	65	80	82	-2	2.52	1.64	4	4.76
Vicksburg	93	67	81			3.42		2	4.30
Extreme/Average	93	64		82					
South-Central									
Collins	91	65	78	81	-3	4.40	3.30	5	5.00
Columbia	91	68	80	82	-2	1.47	0.23	4	5.84
Monticello	98	69	84	82	2	0.34	-0.71	2	2.55
Extreme/Average	98	65	79	82	-3	2.94	1.75	5	5.00
Southeast									
Hattiesburg	90	68	79	82	-3	2.39	1.10	5	6.89
Laurel	91	66	79	82	-3	1.32	0.09	3	3.96
Extreme/Average	91	66	79	81	-2	2.39	1.17	5	0.00
Coastal									
Biloxi	93	72	82	82	0	1.61	-0.08	4	9.06
Saucier Exp	91	73	82	82	0	1.49	-0.23	4	9.60
Extreme/Average	93	72	82	82	0	1.61	0.04	4	9.06
State Averages	98	56	79	82	-3	1.76	0.71	4	4.08

DFN = Departure from normal.