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Crop Progress & Condition Report**



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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, September 29, 2013**. Recent showers have helped our soil moisture levels return to adequate levels. Cotton looks good and boll opener is being applied. Peanuts will continue to be dug this week. Soil moisture was rated 2 percent very short, 7 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus.

Crop progress for week ending September 29, 2013

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, harvested	93	87	99	93
Cotton, open bolls	74	65	94	90
Cotton, harvested	3	1	23	23
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	99	96	97	96
Peanuts, dug	36	35	29	20
Peanuts, harvested	28	27	21	17
Rice, mature	81	70	100	99
Rice, harvested	42	29	93	69
Sorghum, mature	95	80	100	99
Sorghum, harvested	50	25	91	82
Soybeans, turning color	90	76	98	93
Soybeans, dropping leaves	53	42	92	81
Soybeans, harvested	27	13	75	53
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	35	32	49	48
Winter Wheat, planted	7	3	5	7

Crop condition for week ending September 29, 2013

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn	1	4	14	60	21
Cotton	1	3	22	64	10
Hay	0	5	61	31	3
Livestock	0	3	21	71	5
Pasture	2	7	40	41	10
Peanuts	0	0	39	48	13
Rice	0	0	13	57	30
Sorghum	0	0	17	66	17
Soybeans	0	3	19	53	25
Sweet Potatoes	1	1	11	72	15

Comments

“Wet weather did not allow much field work last week. We needed some rain but now we need it to stop. Pickers will get going when it dries up.”

- Don Respass, Coahoma

“Corn harvest is complete. Sorghum harvest began this week once things dried from recent rains. Sweet Potato harvest is moving nicely and potatoes look good at this time.”

- Trent Barnett, Calhoun

“Cotton harvest has begun. Several producers were planning to start Monday morning but rain Sunday has delayed that. Bean harvest has started and is progressing well.”

- Stephen Winters, Grenada

“Many areas received much needed rain over the past week. Corn and bean harvest is continuing but is sporadic due to weather.”

- Patrick Poindexter, Alcorn

“Recent rains have slowed harvest. Very little cotton has been picked due to the rain.”

- Preston Aust, Humphreys

“Recent showers have helped our soil moisture levels return to adequate levels. Cotton looks good and boll opener is being applied. Peanuts will continue to be dug this week. Showers are forecast for this week and could impede some farm activities.”

- Lee Taylor, Forrest

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending September 29, 2013

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation			
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks
Upper Delta									
Cleveland	87	56	73	73		1.39	0.65	2	5.75
Lambert 5E	88	53	72			1.35	0.65	1	4.85
Tunica 2	87	55	73	70	3	0.20	-0.43	3	4.02
Extreme/Average	88	53	73	71	2	1.39	0.69	2	5.75
North-Central									
Batesville 2SW	88	51	71	70	1	0.39	-0.38	1	4.39
Grenada 5NNE	86	54	71	70	1	2.65	1.71	1	3.35
Hickory Flat	85	49	69	69		0.11	-0.75	1	4.45
Independence 1W	84	50	70	69	1	0.72	-0.04	1	3.75
University	87	53	71	69	2	0.24	-0.60	1	4.51
Extreme/Average	88	49	71	69	2	0.82	0.00	1	4.28
Northeast									
Pontotoc	84	54	70	70		0.55	-0.39	1	3.79
Booneville	85	53	69	69		0.30	-0.52	2	4.40
Tupelo 2	85	54	71			0.00	0.00	0	2.15
Corinth City	85	52	69	70	-1	0.00	-0.93	0	4.70
Verona Exp	86	54	71	70	1	0.50	-0.38	1	3.77
Extreme/Average	86	52	70	69	1	0.34	-0.54	1	2.96
Lower Delta									
Belzoni	86	57	71	72	-1	1.23	0.53	1	3.13
Moorhead	88	59	76	73	3	2.55	1.74	2	4.05
Rolling Fork	90	53	73	72	1	6.26	5.49	1	7.23
Yazoo City 5NNE	91	59	78	73	5	2.87	2.15	1	5.77
Extreme/Average	91	53	76	72	4	2.55	1.78	2	4.05
Central									
Canton	87	52	71	72	-1	2.35	1.65	1	6.28
Kosciusko	85	54	71	71		0.77	-0.07	1	6.10
Winona 5E	84	52	69	68	1	4.17	3.34	1	7.92
Extreme/Average	87	52	70	71	-1	3.26	2.48	1	6.28
East-Central									
Aberdeen	84	55	71	70	1	0.33	-0.56	1	5.19
Columbus	84	59	72	72		0.55	-0.24	1	3.65
Macon 2E	84	57	71	71		0.86	0.10	1	3.29
State University	85	52	70	71	-1	0.75	-0.03	1	4.55
Extreme/Average	85	52	70	71	-1	0.54	-0.28	1	4.55
Southwest									
Crystal Springs	86	55	72	73	-1	1.14	0.16	1	6.13
Natchez	86	59	73	74	-1	0.15	-0.69	1	3.58
Vicksburg	87	55	74			2.56	0.00	1	5.20
Extreme/Average	87	55	73	73		1.85	1.01	1	5.67
South-Central									
Collins	90	62	76	72	4	3.70	2.77	1	8.50
Columbia	89	60	74	73	1	1.44	0.55	2	6.29
Monticello	92	61	77	73	4	1.33	0.50	2	5.73
Raleigh	84	52	69			1.76	0.00	1	6.91
Extreme/Average	92	52	75	73	2	2.57	1.68	2	7.40
Southeast									
Hattiesburg	88	60	74	74		0.45	-0.45	3	4.87
Waynesboro 2W	92	59	76	71	5	0.66	-0.31	1	2.48
Extreme/Average	92	52	74	72	2	0.72	-0.18	2	3.42
Coastal									
State	92	49	72	71	1	1.60	0.78	1	4.95

DFN = Departure form Normal.