



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 10, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent very short, 27 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent very short, 27 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 66.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Hickory Flat to 75.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Saucier. Highs ranged from 87.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 95.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Laurel. Rain was widespread throughout the state, with the south central region receiving an average of 1.9 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 10, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dough	95	91	97	99
Corn, dent	82	70	91	95
Corn, mature	44	26	27	53
Corn, harvested	2	--	0	11
Cotton, squaring	98	97	100	100
Cotton, setting bolls	85	79	78	93
Cotton, open bolls	3	0	0	5
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	77	70	79	77
Peanuts, pegging	91	82	99	100
Rice, headed	78	66	60	84
Rice, mature	11	3	0	14
Sorghum, headed	87	79	92	98
Sorghum, coloring	47	36	47	65
Sorghum, mature	11	4	0	19
Soybeans, blooming	92	84	94	99
Soybeans, setting pods	79	63	69	90
Watermelons, harvested	89	81	100	99

Crop condition for week ending August 10, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Blueberries	0	1	29	65	5
Corn	0	6	20	44	30
Cotton	0	2	27	56	15
Hay	0	5	30	53	12
Livestock	0	3	21	59	17
Pasture	1	6	24	56	13
Peanuts	0	6	27	56	11
Rice	0	0	14	60	26
Sorghum	0	7	22	50	21
Soybeans	0	4	17	53	26
Sweet Potatoes	0	0	34	48	18

Comments from Extension Agents

“Insect pressure has increased in cotton and beans. We are also seeing the next generation of fall armyworms in grasses. Scattered showers this week were a welcome site.”

-Stephen R. Winters, Grenada County

“A great week of hot and sunny weather allowed farmers to accomplish a good amount of fieldwork this week. The weather also allowed the corn crop to dry down and other crops to accumulate a good amount of heat units. Some producers began harvesting corn and many more are saying they will begin next week. A few soybean fields are beginning to turn color and shed lower leaves, while much of the cotton is beginning to enter the "cut out" stage.”

- Jon M. Carson, Issaquena & Sharkey Counties

“Growers are pleased with the amount of rainfall received this growing season. The rainfall is providing enough water for good crop stands. Irrigation is at a minimum which is great for farmers who are looking to reduce production cost.”

-Rilondricks Beman, Jefferson County

“Weekend rains replenished soil and pond moisture to acceptable levels. Vegetable growers are still seeing good production thanks to cooler temps. Forage and hay fields are rebounding quickly due to timely rains.”

-Ross Alan Overstreet, Lamar County

“Hotter and drier weather has allowed baling hay to resume. Hay should be plentiful, but quality has suffered due to all the rain in June and July. Cattle are enduring severe heat stress with heat indices exceeding 100 degrees. Corn is ready to harvest and soybeans look good. Late beans could see increased fungus and insect pressure.”

-Richard Hay, Walthall County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending August 10, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	90.2	70.3	80.3	80.9	-0.7	0.20	2	-0.41	3.32	1.17
Cleveland	91.4	71.4	81.4	82.5	-1.1	0.00	0	-0.76	4.12	1.02
Lambert	92.9	69.4	81.1	82.1	-0.9	0.16	1	-0.67	5.33	2.66
Tunica	89.7	70.9	80.3	81.7	-1.4	0.76	2	0.08	2.48	-0.38
Extreme/Average	91.0	70.5	80.8	81.8	-1.0	0.28	2	-0.44	3.81	1.12
North-Central										
Ashland	88.4	67.0	77.7	NA	NA	0.89	3	0.01	3.74	-0.22
Batesville	90.9	68.1	79.5	79.9	-0.4	1.45	1	0.85	4.73	1.74
Hickory Flat	90.3	66.6	78.4	79.2	-0.7	1.32	3	0.33	3.82	-0.08
Independence	87.3	68.6	77.9	79.2	-1.3	1.47	3	0.65	5.59	2.24
University	91.3	69.0	80.1	80.6	-0.4	0.39	2	-0.51	4.35	0.63
Extreme/Average	89.6	67.9	78.7	79.7	-0.7	1.10	3	0.27	4.45	0.86
Northeast										
Booneville	88.7	67.9	78.3	78.9	-0.6	0.82	2	-0.09	5.60	2.11
Corinth	90.4	68.6	79.5	79.4	0.1	0.41	3	-0.37	3.38	-0.28
Pontotoc	89.2	68.4	78.8	79.4	-0.6	1.15	1	0.42	6.69	3.34
Tupelo	90.4	71.6	81.0	81.0	0.0	0.33	2	-0.56	1.20	-2.35
Verona	90.7	70.0	80.4	81.0	-0.7	0.68	1	-0.27	5.27	1.75
Extreme/Average	89.9	69.3	79.6	79.9	-0.3	0.68	3	-0.17	4.43	0.91
Lower Delta										
Moorhead	90.7	72.9	81.8	82.5	-0.7	0.30	1	-0.43	4.41	1.15
Rolling Fork	93.3	71.4	82.4	82.3	0.1	0.55	2	-0.18	6.27	3.05
Yazoo City	94.0	74.4	84.2	81.7	2.5	0.85	1	-0.01	3.40	0.03
Extreme/Average	92.7	72.9	82.8	82.2	0.6	0.57	2	-0.21	4.69	1.41
Central										
Canton	91.7	69.1	80.4	80.8	-0.3	0.30	3	-0.56	0.36	-2.39
Eupora	89.9	69.6	79.7	79.8	-0.1	1.51	3	0.78	4.35	1.61
Winona	89.4	68.0	78.7	78.9	-0.2	0.91	5	0.11	4.70	1.08
Extreme/Average	90.3	68.9	79.6	79.8	-0.2	0.91	5	0.11	3.14	0.10
East-Central										
Aberdeen	90.3	69.3	79.8	81.1	-1.2	0.60	1	-0.13	3.10	0.29
Macon	90.7	69.3	80.0	80.8	-0.8	0.01	1	-0.82	1.65	-1.74
Philadelphia	93.3	69.5	81.4	81.7	-0.3	1.10	3	0.18	2.43	-1.67
State University	92.7	71.1	81.9	80.9	1.0	0.77	4	-0.14	2.28	-1.36
Extreme/Average	91.8	69.8	80.8	81.1	-0.3	0.62	4	-0.23	2.36	-1.12
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	92.1	71.3	81.7	82.6	-0.9	0.94	1	-0.11	3.79	-0.41
Natchez	89.4	71.7	80.6	80.9	-0.4	0.70	3	-0.30	7.13	3.71
Oakley	92.4	69.4	80.9	81.8	-0.9	2.19	3	1.08	5.47	1.88
Vicksburg City	89.3	73.0	81.1	81.7	-0.6	1.00	3	0.33	3.01	-0.08
Extreme/Average	90.8	71.3	81.1	81.8	-0.7	1.21	3	0.25	4.85	1.27
South-Central										
Collins	94.7	73.9	84.3	80.8	3.5	1.30	2	0.24	4.20	-0.04
Columbia	92.0	71.4	81.7	82.0	-0.3	2.49	3	1.39	4.45	-0.11
Extreme/Average	93.3	72.7	83.0	81.4	1.6	1.90	3	0.81	4.33	-0.07
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	92.4	72.0	82.2	81.8	0.4	0.27	2	-0.66	1.69	-3.05
Laurel	95.6	75.0	85.3	81.2	4.1	1.74	3	0.67	3.12	-1.16
Newton	92.7	68.7	80.7	80.2	0.5	1.24	3	0.22	3.02	-1.16
Extreme/Average	93.6	71.9	82.7	81.0	1.7	1.08	3	0.08	2.61	-1.79
Coastal										
Biloxi	89.0	74.0	81.5	82.9	-1.4	1.67	4	0.37	3.97	-1.89
Poplarville	93.7	71.4	82.6	81.0	1.6	1.78	3	0.42	4.09	-1.14
Saucier	91.1	75.3	83.2	82.4	0.8	1.90	4	0.07	4.15	-2.97
Extreme/Average	91.3	73.6	82.4	82.1	0.3	1.78	4	0.29	4.07	-2.00
State	91.5	70.8	81.1	81.0	0.1	1.03	3	0.10	3.80	0.02

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.