



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report



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Week Ending October 19, 2014

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 3.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, October 19, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 5 percent very short, 12 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 5 percent very short, 15 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 47.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 60.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Aberdeen. Highs ranged from 71.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 85.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Laurel. Most of the state received around an inch of rain, with the northeast region receiving 4.92 inches.

Crop progress for week ending October 19, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, harvested	99	98	99	98
Cotton, open bolls	96	93	98	98
Cotton, harvested	50	38	60	59
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	99	99	100	99
Peanuts, dug	73	63	57	54
Peanuts, harvested	60	46	38	46
Rice, mature	99	97	99	100
Rice, harvested	89	87	93	91
Sorghum, mature	98	98	100	100
Sorghum, harvested	87	85	87	90
Soybeans, turning color	99	97	100	100
Soybeans, dropping leaves	96	92	92	97
Soybeans, harvested	82	74	79	81
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	55	50	71	68
Winter Wheat, planted	18	11	8	18

Crop condition for week ending October 19, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Blueberries	0	1	30	64	5
Cotton	0	2	28	52	18
Livestock	0	3	24	58	15
Pasture	3	7	30	52	8
Peanuts	0	3	21	61	15
Sweet Potatoes	0	0	29	49	22

Comments from Extension Agents

“Rain early in the week prevented harvest the first of the week, but many got back in the field later on. Some rice lodged due to high straight line winds.”

-Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie County

“Little activity this week. High winds increased lodging of a few soybean varieties. Soybean harvest will resume by Monday. Cotton still needing heat units to wrap up the season.”

-Dr. Bill Burdine, Pontotoc County

“Severe weather and heavy rainfalls prevented most farmers from entering the field this week. Producers are in the short rows of their cotton harvest and slightly above average yields are being reported. The winter wheat crop is being planted and fall bed preparation is well underway.”

-Jon M. Carson, Issaquena County

“Heavy rains halted cotton and grain harvest for a few days but brought much needed moisture to aid in rye grass emergence and small pond water levels.”

-Reid Nevins, Lowndes County

“Peanut harvest is essentially complete. Cotton harvest is proceeding well. Yields look good. Corn is finished. More hay needs to be rolled. Rye grass is being planted; we will need another rain soon.

-Lee Taylor, Forrest County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending October 19, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Cleveland	75.0	53.3	64.1	64.6	-0.4	2.52	2	1.54	8.03	4.49
Lambert	76.1	52.4	64.3	63.9	0.4	2.23	2	1.29	4.33	1.04
Extreme/Average	75.5	52.8	64.2	64.2	0.0	2.38	2	1.42	6.18	2.77
North-Central										
Ashland	71.7	51.6	61.6	NA	NA	2.14	3	1.12	5.23	1.12
Batesville	74.0	50.8	62.4	62.3	-0.2	1.67	2	0.98	5.37	1.85
Hickory Flat	73.1	49.7	61.4	60.5	0.9	2.24	3	1.28	5.37	1.57
Independence	71.3	50.6	60.9	60.7	0.2	1.99	3	1.03	4.90	1.23
University	75.3	51.4	63.4	61.8	1.6	1.69	3	0.60	5.47	1.41
Extreme/Average	73.1	50.8	62.0	61.3	0.6	1.95	3	1.00	5.27	1.44
Northeast										
Booneville	72.3	52.1	62.2	60.4	1.8	3.00	3	2.11	6.07	2.40
Corinth	72.6	52.4	62.5	60.0	2.5	2.18	3	1.30	5.40	1.81
Fulton	72.4	51.6	62.0	61.2	0.8	6.44	3	5.51	9.67	5.93
Pontotoc	72.2	52.4	62.3	61.6	0.4	6.30	3	5.60	9.56	6.51
Tupelo	73.3	53.9	63.6	62.8	0.7	4.84	3	3.87	8.39	4.30
Verona	74.4	52.1	63.3	62.3	1.0	6.76	3	5.80	9.52	5.38
Extreme/Average	72.9	52.4	62.6	61.4	1.2	4.92	3	4.03	8.10	4.39
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	75.4	53.6	64.5	65.6	-1.4	2.71	2	1.96	4.76	1.27
Moorhead	77.0	55.5	66.3	65.5	0.6	4.13	2	3.39	6.10	2.61
Rolling Fork	78.2	54.2	66.2	65.2	1.1	1.75	1	0.79	3.88	0.63
Yazoo City	81.9	59.9	70.9	65.0	5.9	2.09	2	0.94	3.35	-0.27
Extreme/Average	78.1	55.8	66.9	65.3	1.5	2.67	2	1.77	4.52	1.06
Central										
Kosciusko	75.7	52.0	63.9	62.0	1.8	2.72	1	1.71	7.16	3.21
Winona	73.3	47.7	60.5	61.3	-0.7	2.41	1	1.59	4.75	1.37
Extreme/Average	74.5	49.9	62.2	61.7	0.6	2.57	1	1.65	5.96	2.29
East-Central										
Aberdeen	85.0	60.0	72.5	63.1	8.4	2.99	2	2.25	4.42	0.99
Columbus	74.2	53.0	63.6	63.9	-0.5	2.15	2	1.37	3.46	0.52
Macon	79.7	53.2	66.4	63.4	2.9	1.75	1	1.05	4.11	0.88
Philadelphia	83.6	54.6	69.1	64.5	4.6	1.70	1	0.78	2.66	-0.70
State University	77.1	53.7	65.4	62.6	2.8	2.11	2	1.19	4.42	0.82
Extreme/Average	79.9	54.9	67.4	63.5	3.6	2.14	2	1.33	3.81	0.50
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	80.4	52.7	66.6	67.0	-0.4	1.63	1	0.79	2.57	-0.82
Natchez	78.7	51.3	65.0	65.7	-0.7	1.60	1	0.47	3.30	-0.24
Oakley	81.9	51.3	66.6	65.3	1.3	1.64	1	0.64	1.64	-1.28
Vicksburg City	79.1	55.6	67.4	65.6	1.7	2.50	1	1.32	3.43	-0.50
Extreme/Average	80.0	52.7	66.4	65.9	0.5	1.84	1	0.80	2.73	-0.71
South-Central										
Collins	77.4	52.7	65.1	64.8	0.3	1.70	1	0.81	4.71	1.44
Columbia	81.3	52.3	66.8	66.8	-0.1	1.86	1	0.95	2.39	-0.84
Monticello	84.0	57.4	70.7	65.9	4.9	1.48	1	0.57	1.98	-1.12
Extreme/Average	80.9	54.1	67.5	65.8	1.7	1.68	1	0.78	3.03	-0.17
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	80.4	54.7	67.6	66.8	0.8	1.35	1	0.58	2.73	-0.69
Laurel	85.3	57.4	71.4	65.2	6.1	1.14	1	0.35	3.40	0.34
Extreme/Average	82.8	56.0	69.5	66.0	3.5	1.25	1	0.46	3.06	-0.17
Coastal										
Biloxi	81.0	59.9	70.4	70.0	0.4	0.96	2	0.18	2.11	-1.77
Extreme/Average	81.0	59.9	70.4	70.0	0.4	0.96	2	0.18	2.11	-1.77
State	78.1	53.8	65.9	64.4	1.5	2.17	1	1.27	4.34	0.84

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.