



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report



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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 26, 2014. Topsoil moisture supplies were 7 percent very short, 21 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 6 percent very short, 21 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 41.0 degrees Fahrenheit at University to 54.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 69.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 81.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Laurel. Dry weather prevailed throughout the state this week.

Crop progress for week ending October 26, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, harvested	100	99	100	98
Cotton, open bolls	98	96	100	99
Cotton, harvested	71	50	74	69
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	100	99	100	100
Peanuts, dug	80	73	74	66
Peanuts, harvested	68	60	56	58
Rice, mature	100	99	100	100
Rice, harvested	96	89	98	95
Sorghum, mature	99	98	100	100
Sorghum, harvested	92	87	92	92
Soybeans, turning color	99	99	100	100
Soybeans, harvested	88	82	88	87
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	63	55	88	77
Winter Wheat, planted	26	18	25	28

Crop condition for week ending October 26, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Blueberries	0	1	30	64	5
Livestock	0	3	25	58	14
Pasture	3	8	31	50	8
Winter Wheat	0	7	28	64	1

Comments from Extension Agents

“Ideal weather conditions have allowed most farmers to complete rice and soybean harvest and make significant progress toward fall tillage. We are about mid-way with cotton.”

-Anthony DeWayne, Tunica County

“Excellent harvesting weather this week. Many farmers still behind from previous weeks rains. Some areas are in need of another rainfall where winter forages were planted. We have also seen some insect and fungal issues on cool season vegetable crops.”

-Terry Wayne "Skip" Glidewell, Prentiss County

“Harvest is pretty much complete with only a few acres of cotton and soybeans left to be harvested. If the rain holds off a few days, we should finish harvesting this week. All crops appear to be very large, with exceptional yields in cotton and soybeans. Growers are now focused on fall tillage and fertility needs as we prepare for the 2015 crop.”

-Preston Aust, Humphreys County

“The cool and dry weather this week allowed producers to continue their cotton harvest. Winter wheat is beginning to emerge and looks uniform. Fall and spring field preparation continues with liming, sub-soiling, and row hipping.”

-Jon M. Carson, Issaquena and Sharkey Counties

“Good work week for farmers. Crop conditions are stable. Fall season vegetables are planted and going well.”

-Rilondricks Beeman, Jefferson County

“Soybean harvest is in full swing with varied yields. Most all the hay is done for the season, and ryegrass is pretty well all planted.”

-Charles Franklin Bush, Simpson County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending October 26, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	74.2	47.7	60.9	61.0	-0.1	0.00	0	-0.81	4.08	1.62
Cleveland	73.7	47.0	60.4	62.2	-1.8	0.00	0	-1.04	8.03	4.37
Lambert	73.6	45.1	59.4	61.6	-2.2	0.00	0	-1.00	4.33	0.78
Tunica	74.1	48.3	61.2	61.4	-0.2	0.00	0	-1.02	4.03	0.80
Extreme/Average	73.9	47.0	60.5	61.5	-1.1	0.00	0	-0.97	5.12	1.89
North-Central										
Ashland	70.4	42.7	56.6	NA	NA	0.00	0	-0.98	5.23	1.15
Batesville	73.9	42.7	58.3	60.1	-1.8	0.00	0	-0.97	5.37	1.50
Hickory Flat	71.6	41.1	56.4	58.4	-2.0	0.00	0	-1.00	5.30	1.51
Independence	69.4	41.9	55.6	58.7	-3.1	0.00	0	-0.97	4.90	1.12
University	72.0	41.0	56.5	59.8	-3.4	0.00	0	-0.90	5.47	1.45
Extreme/Average	71.5	41.9	56.7	59.3	-2.6	0.00	0	-0.96	5.25	1.35
Northeast										
Booneville	71.0	43.1	57.1	58.2	-1.1	0.00	0	-0.95	6.07	2.37
Corinth	71.0	42.5	56.8	57.6	-0.9	0.00	0	-0.82	5.40	2.03
Fulton	70.3	42.3	56.3	59.1	-2.8	0.00	0	-0.95	9.39	5.67
Pontotoc	71.0	44.6	57.8	59.5	-2.0	0.00	0	-0.73	9.56	6.24
Tupelo	71.0	46.7	58.9	60.9	-2.0	0.00	0	-0.87	7.60	3.57
Verona	70.9	44.6	57.7	60.1	-2.4	0.00	0	-0.96	9.52	5.50
Extreme/Average	70.9	44.0	57.4	59.2	-1.9	0.00	0	-0.88	7.92	4.23
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	72.2	47.6	59.9	63.4	-3.5	0.00	0	-0.77	4.76	1.30
Moorhead	73.0	48.7	60.9	63.2	-2.3	0.00	0	-0.91	6.10	2.56
Rolling Fork	74.7	48.3	61.5	63.1	-1.6	0.00	0	-0.96	3.88	0.43
Yazoo City	79.2	51.3	65.3	62.7	2.5	0.00	0	-1.00	3.35	-0.56
Extreme/Average	74.8	49.0	61.9	63.1	-1.2	0.00	0	-0.91	4.52	0.93
Central										
Canton	75.3	41.6	58.4	61.6	-3.0	0.00	0	-0.96	1.05	-1.64
Eupora	71.3	43.0	57.2	59.8	-2.6	0.00	0	-0.81	0.93	-1.39
Kosciusko	70.0	44.8	57.4	59.8	-2.5	0.00	0	-0.89	4.35	0.43
Winona	71.1	42.9	57.0	59.3	-2.3	0.00	0	-0.96	4.73	1.29
Extreme/Average	71.9	43.1	57.5	60.1	-2.6	0.00	0	-0.91	2.77	-0.33
East-Central										
Aberdeen	NA	NA	NA	60.8	NA	0.00	0	-0.66	4.42	1.27
Columbus	75.3	45.2	60.3	61.6	-1.5	0.00	0	-0.79	3.46	0.62
Philadelphia	75.7	45.7	60.7	62.4	-1.6	0.00	0	-0.95	2.38	-1.22
State University	74.1	47.0	60.6	60.6	0.0	0.00	0	-0.94	3.94	0.23
Extreme/Average	75.0	46.0	60.5	61.3	-1.1	0.00	0	-0.84	3.55	0.23
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	75.7	47.3	61.5	64.7	-3.2	0.00	0	-0.94	2.57	-0.84
Natchez	73.6	44.4	59.0	63.8	-4.8	0.00	0	-1.20	3.30	-0.59
Oakley	79.0	42.1	60.6	63.1	-2.5	0.02	1	-1.00	1.66	-1.51
Vicksburg City	74.3	45.7	60.0	63.7	-3.7	0.00	0	-1.15	3.43	-0.93
Extreme/Average	75.7	44.9	60.3	63.8	-3.5	0.01	1	-1.07	2.74	-0.97
South-Central										
Collins	77.7	51.3	64.5	62.9	1.6	0.00	0	-0.97	4.71	1.26
Columbia	75.7	46.0	60.9	64.7	-3.8	0.00	0	-0.98	2.39	-1.05
Monticello	78.3	49.3	63.8	63.8	0.0	0.00	0	-0.96	1.98	-1.31
Extreme/Average	77.2	48.9	63.1	63.8	-0.7	0.00	0	-0.97	3.03	-0.37
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	78.4	46.6	62.5	64.8	-2.5	0.00	0	-0.59	2.73	-0.34
Laurel	81.1	45.3	63.2	63.1	0.1	0.00	0	-0.83	3.40	0.25
Waynesboro	77.5	46.2	61.8	62.9	-1.2	0.00	0	-0.63	3.36	0.71
Extreme/Average	79.0	46.0	62.5	63.6	-1.2	0.00	0	-0.68	3.16	0.21
Coastal										
Biloxi	80.9	54.7	67.8	68.0	-0.2	0.00	0	-0.80	1.78	-1.82
Extreme/Average	80.9	54.7	67.8	68.0	-0.2	0.00	0	-0.80	1.78	-1.82
State	75.1	46.2	60.6	62.3	-1.7	0.00	0	-0.90	3.81	0.38

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.