



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Message from the Editor

This is the final Crop Progress and Condition Release for 2014. We will resume this report in March 2015. We would like to give special thanks to our County Agents and the National Weather Service for their ongoing participation.

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, November 23, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 6 percent very short, 13 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 6 percent very short, 15 percent short, 63 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 26.8 degrees Fahrenheit at University to 48.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Laurel. Highs ranged from 49.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 69.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Laurel. Most of the state received some rain with the highest averaging 3.5 inches in the central part of the state.

Crop progress for week ending November 23, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Cotton, harvested	99	96	98	98
Peanuts, dugged	100	95	100	95
Peanuts, harvested	94	87	93	94
Sorghum, harvested	100	98	100	100
Soybeans, harvested	99	98	100	100
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	98	92	100	100
Winter Wheat, planted	92	70	93	93
Winter Wheat, emerged	70	41	84	73

Crop condition for week ending November 23, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Blueberries	0	1	30	64	5
Livestock	1	4	30	55	10
Pasture	5	12	38	40	5
Winter Wheat	0	3	27	65	5

Comments from Extension Agents

“Some cotton still needs harvesting but not much. Everything else is harvested. We still have lots of cotton to gin.”

-Don Respass, Coahoma County

“Heavy rain last Sunday kept fields too wet to get into. Heavy dews and high humidity did not let things dry out late in the week. Rain forecast for Saturday will keep us out of the field.”

-Stephen Winters, Grenada County

“Most areas received between 1 and 4 inches of rain over the last week. This will be very beneficial to pastures, ponds and winter crops.”

-Ruby Rankin, Kemper County

“Our areas has had little in ways of precipitation over the last 2 weeks. Ryegrass is up and doing well. Thankfully there have been no reports of mole cricket damage this year.”

-Randall McKey, Amite County

“Dry soil conditions and lack of moisture continue to challenge winter forage systems. Brief showers were a welcome relief but additional moisture is needed to meet demands of ryegrass production.”

-Amanda Walker, Lawrence County

“We had an early first freeze for the year.”

-Christian Stephenson, Hancock County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending November 23, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	52.6	37.8	45.2	51.0	-5.7	0.14	1	0.76	1.42	-1.62
Cleveland	53.6	35.9	44.7	51.8	-7.1	1.15	4	0.08	3.20	-1.15
Lambert	52.6	32.9	42.7	51.2	-8.5	0.51	2	0.78	2.66	-1.67
Tunica	50.4	34.3	42.4	51.7	-9.3	0.49	4	0.83	2.61	-1.42
Extreme/Average	52.3	35.2	43.7	51.4	-7.6	0.57	4	0.61	2.47	-1.46
North-Central										
Ashland	50.1	31.0	40.6	NA	NA	0.83	2	0.43	4.10	-0.11
Batesville	50.1	32.1	41.1	50.4	-9.3	0.73	1	0.64	3.85	-0.53
Hickory Flat	51.4	29.6	40.5	48.9	-8.4	1.04	2	0.15	3.54	-0.82
Independence	49.9	29.3	39.6	49.6	10.1	0.53	2	0.59	3.72	-0.16
University	51.3	26.8	39.1	51.0	12.1	1.10	1	0.02	4.10	-0.06
Extreme/Average	50.6	29.8	40.2	50.0	10.0	0.85	2	0.36	3.86	-0.34
Northeast										
Booneville	51.9	29.9	40.9	48.9	-8.0	1.57	2	0.28	4.91	0.49
Fulton	53.0	30.0	41.5	50.1	-8.6	2.43	1	1.07	4.17	-0.16
Tupelo	52.6	33.0	42.8	51.0	-8.2	2.18	2	0.95	3.43	-0.44
Verona	53.3	31.1	42.2	51.3	-9.1	2.90	1	1.66	4.42	0.18
Extreme/Average	52.7	31.0	41.8	50.3	-8.5	2.27	2	0.99	4.23	0.02
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	53.9	36.1	45.0	53.7	-8.7	1.77	2	0.65	2.76	-1.38
Moorhead	54.3	37.0	45.6	52.7	-7.0	1.08	3	0.25	2.83	-1.25
Yazoo City	59.7	41.1	50.4	53.3	-2.9	2.13	1	0.89	3.09	-0.85
Extreme/Average	56.0	38.1	47.0	53.2	-6.2	1.66	3	0.43	2.89	-1.16
Central										
Canton	58.0	34.0	46.0	52.9	-6.9	3.85	2	2.67	4.49	0.36
Kosciusko	54.7	33.3	44.0	51.1	-7.1	3.87	1	2.56	4.29	-0.27
Winona	54.6	31.7	43.1	50.8	-7.6	2.77	2	1.58	3.96	0.05
Extreme/Average	55.8	33.0	44.4	51.6	-7.2	3.50	2	2.27	4.25	0.05
East-Central										
Columbus	58.0	33.8	45.9	52.6	-6.5	0.92	2	0.13	3.71	0.20
Philadelphia	57.7	37.0	47.3	54.5	-7.0	0.48	1	0.60	4.30	0.12
State University	57.1	35.1	46.1	52.0	-5.9	3.48	2	2.29	4.90	0.88
Extreme/Average	57.6	35.3	46.5	53.0	-6.5	1.63	2	0.52	4.30	0.40
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	60.7	35.7	48.2	56.0	-7.8	3.02	2	1.87	3.32	-0.95
Natchez	58.9	36.0	47.4	55.9	-8.5	2.75	2	1.34	2.95	-2.20
Oakley	60.3	36.0	48.1	54.2	-6.1	2.83	3	1.49	3.42	-1.11
Vicksburg City	58.7	39.4	49.1	54.2	-5.1	2.11	1	0.96	2.77	-1.44
Extreme/Average	59.6	36.8	48.2	55.1	-6.9	2.68	3	1.42	3.11	-1.43
South-Central										
Collins	64.4	37.7	51.1	55.3	-4.2	3.80	1	2.60	4.40	0.01
Columbia	61.0	31.5	46.3	56.3	10.2	1.36	1	0.47	1.53	-2.26
Monticello	64.3	36.6	50.4	55.9	-5.5	1.58	1	0.44	2.06	-2.10
Extreme/Average	63.2	35.3	49.3	55.8	-6.6	2.25	1	1.17	2.66	-1.45
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	63.7	34.9	49.3	56.7	-7.4	1.76	2	0.55	1.81	-2.26
Laurel	69.3	48.2	59.0	55.0	4.0	2.19	2	1.02	2.74	-1.41
Extreme/Average	66.5	41.5	54.1	55.8	-1.7	1.98	2	0.79	2.28	-1.83
Coastal										
Biloxi	60.5	37.8	49.2	60.0	11.0	0.80	1	0.20	1.28	-2.70
Extreme/Average	60.5	37.8	49.2	60.0	11.0	0.80	1	0.20	1.28	-2.70
State	57.9	35.5	46.8	53.7	-6.9	1.95	2	0.77	3.21	-0.94

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.