



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, September 13, 2015**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 22 percent very short, 42 percent short, 32 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 22 percent very short, 41 percent short, 32 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 61.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 70.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Monticello. Highs ranged from 83.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Aberdeen to 97.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Oakley. Most of the state received some rain with the south central part of the state receiving the most at an average of 3.70 inches.

Crop progress for week ending September 13, 2015

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, mature	98	95	96	99
Corn, harvested	90	83	74	86
Cotton, open bolls	73	60	58	72
Cotton, harvested	1	0	0	7
Hay-Cool Season, 2nd cutting	96	95	92	92
Peanuts, dugged	32	23	26	14
Peanuts, harvested	23	11	10	9
Rice, mature	82	75	71	82
Rice, harvested	45	34	29	49
Sorghum, coloring	100	99	92	98
Sorghum, mature	91	85	72	85
Sorghum, harvested	61	53	33	51
Soybeans, setting pods	100	98	99	100
Soybeans, turning color	80	69	77	77
Soybeans, dropping leaves	63	55	53	58
Soybeans, mature	52	41	NA	NA
Soybeans, harvested	34	25	27	30
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	14	9	15	23

NA= Not Available

Crop condition for week ending September 13, 2015

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	8	51	40
Corn	1	5	28	45	21
Cotton	2	7	33	42	16
Livestock	0	5	27	56	12
Pasture	6	20	35	33	6
Peanuts	0	6	21	61	12
Rice	1	3	22	53	21
Sorghum	1	7	34	47	11
Soybeans	2	8	23	39	28
Sweet Potatoes	0	5	24	60	11

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Corn harvest is almost complete. Soybeans, grain sorghum, peanuts, and rice are a work in progress. Cotton needs more heat and is maturing very slow due to cooler temperatures. Cattlemen are scrapping for the final cut on hay for the year.”

-Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie County

“Corn harvest is about done. Soybeans are beginning to color and we will be starting to harvest in a couple of weeks. Cotton is done with the exception of opening for defoliation. More armyworms are being found in the late millet.”

- Stephen “Steve” Winters, Grenada County

“Intermittent showers this week delayed the soybean harvest. Cotton is being defoliated and producers are preparing the fields for fall.”

-Jon Carson, Issaquena & Sharkey County

“A few days of rain in the area. With the nights becoming cooler, small fruit and vegetable growers are getting their fields ready for planting. The last of the soybean fields should be harvested soon.”

-Rilondricks Beeman, Jefferson County

“Recent rains have been a welcomed relief for moisture starved soybeans and pasture. Cattle producers are preparing ground for fall grazing. Some early fall oats are getting planted this week. Soybeans are maturing rapidly, but cooler days ahead could slow that process down. Cooler temperatures will be very welcomed.”

-Charles “Richard” Hay, Walthall County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending September 13, 2015

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cleveland	90.9	67.3	79.1	78.0	1.1	0.18	2	-0.85	2.38	-0.95
Lambert	91.3	63.7	77.5	76.8	0.7	1.17	2	0.45	2.75	-0.05
Tunica	88.7	65.1	76.9	76.6	0.3	0.19	1	-0.40	1.51	-0.76
Extreme/Average	90.3	65.4	77.8	77.1	0.7	0.51	2	-0.27	2.21	-0.59
North-Central										
Ashland	86.7	65.7	76.2	NA	NA	0.65	2	-0.03	2.53	-0.15
Hickory Flat	86.6	62.1	74.4	74.0	0.3	0.24	1	-0.76	2.61	-0.92
Independence	84.7	63.4	74.1	74.2	-0.2	0.27	1	-0.50	3.07	0.33
University	89.3	67.5	78.4	75.5	2.7	0.03	2	-0.71	1.46	-1.57
Extreme/Average	86.8	64.7	75.8	74.6	1.0	0.30	2	-0.50	2.42	-0.58
Northeast										
Booneville	84.6	62.4	73.5	73.6	-0.1	0.70	2	-0.22	3.31	-0.08
Corinth	85.9	62.0	73.9	73.4	0.5	1.47	2	0.44	3.91	0.74
Fulton	86.7	62.7	74.7	74.5	0.2	0.30	2	-0.62	4.36	0.87
Pontotoc	85.9	63.3	74.6	74.6	0.0	0.05	1	-0.83	2.22	-1.10
Tupelo	87.3	65.0	76.1	75.9	0.3	0.00	0	-0.79	3.69	0.59
Verona	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	86.1	63.1	74.6	74.4	0.2	0.50	2	-0.40	3.50	0.20
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	91.3	68.8	80.1	78.1	1.9	0.18	1	-0.46	0.25	-2.60
Moorhead	93.5	70.3	81.9	77.7	4.1	0.28	1	-0.46	1.01	-1.68
Rolling Fork	93.1	67.7	80.4	77.7	2.7	0.02	1	-0.64	0.54	-2.23
Yazoo City	93.3	69.6	81.4	77.4	4.1	0.25	2	-0.47	1.56	-1.46
Extreme/Average	92.8	69.1	81.0	77.7	3.2	0.18	2	-0.51	0.84	-1.99
Central										
Canton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kosciusko	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Winona	91.3	61.4	76.4	74.5	1.9	0.18	3	-0.77	0.92	-2.68
Extreme/Average	91.3	61.4	76.4	74.5	1.9	0.18	3	-0.77	0.92	-2.68
East-Central										
Aberdeen	83.0	63.0	73.0	76.2	-2.9	0.48	1	-0.43	3.48	1.26
Columbus	87.6	64.2	75.9	76.9	-1.2	1.30	2	0.68	3.55	0.78
Macon	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Philadelphia	90.7	65.4	78.1	77.7	0.4	0.00	0	-0.79	0.80	-2.67
State University	89.9	66.3	78.1	75.9	2.1	1.24	2	0.45	2.27	-1.14
Extreme/Average	87.8	64.7	76.3	76.7	-0.4	0.76	2	-0.02	2.52	-0.44
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	92.7	65.9	79.3	79.3	0.0	0.10	1	-0.87	0.49	-3.31
Natchez	89.4	65.3	77.4	77.1	0.3	0.58	5	-0.51	1.15	-2.93
Oakley	97.0	67.4	82.2	77.4	4.6	0.06	1	-0.48	0.68	-2.76
Vicksburg City	90.6	69.4	80.0	77.7	2.3	0.13	2	-0.81	1.08	-2.45
Extreme/Average	92.4	67.0	79.7	77.9	1.8	0.22	5	-0.67	0.85	-2.86
South-Central										
Collins	90.1	67.7	78.9	77.0	1.9	9.80	2	8.78	14.6	10.49
Columbia	89.4	66.9	78.1	78.7	-0.5	0.72	3	-0.27	2.12	-1.92
Monticello	93.4	70.9	82.1	78.3	3.8	0.59	2	-0.01	2.32	-1.06
Extreme/Average	91.0	68.5	79.7	78.0	1.7	3.70	3	2.83	6.35	2.50
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	91.1	70.7	80.9	78.7	2.2	1.57	3	0.44	3.90	-0.62
Laurel	90.3	66.1	78.2	77.3	0.9	2.02	2	1.08	3.78	-0.20
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	90.7	68.4	79.6	78.0	1.6	1.79	3	0.76	3.84	-0.41
Coastal										
Biloxi	85.7	70.0	77.9	80.2	-2.3	1.31	4	-0.04	3.95	-1.36
Poplarville	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	85.7	70.0	77.9	80.2	-2.3	1.31	4	-0.04	3.95	-1.36
State	89.7	66.1	77.9	76.8	1.1	0.93	2	0.02	2.62	-0.96

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.