



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Week Ending October 30, 2016

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, October 30, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 52 percent very short, 31 percent short, 16 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 33 percent very short, 45 percent short, 21 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 44.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Belzoni to 59.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 79.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 87.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. The state did not receive much rain, with the only record of precipitation was received in the lower delta part of the state with an average of 0.01 inches.

Crop progress for week ending October 30, 2016

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Cotton, harvested	90	81	86	84
Peanuts, dug	89	84	99	88
Peanuts, harvested	79	68	92	76
Rice, harvested	98	96	100	99
Soybeans, dropping leaves	100	98	100	100
Soybeans, mature	98	96	96	NA
Soybeans, harvested	94	92	93	94
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	81	73	86	87
Winter Wheat, planted	31	17	38	38
Winter Wheat, emerged	11	7	24	23

NA = Not Available.

Crop condition for week ending October 30, 2016

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Blueberries	0	2	12	60	26
Livestock	4	7	30	48	11
Pasture	17	25	35	21	2

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Harvest is progressing. Cattle being fed hay. Too dry to plant ryegrass. You cannot put a shovel in the ground over a couple of inches if you are lucky. It is so dry!”

- Stephen "Steve" R. Winters, Grenada County

“This dry spell has been a long one. Producers from all corners of agriculture are hoping for rain. Planted, cool season grass is doing as expected with the dry spell. Livestock seems to be doing well.”

- Randall "Randy" H. McKey III, Amite County

“Conditions in Prentiss County remain extremely dry with well above normal seasonal temperatures inhibiting any cool season forage growth, whether planted or established.”

- Terry Wayne “Skip” Glidewell, Prentiss County

“Cotton harvest is in the final stages. Catfish and irrigation ponds are being reworked with all of this dry soil. The only positive side of this drought is the amount of fieldwork in preparation of the 2017 crop year.”

- Dr. Dennis Reginelli, Noxubee County

“Extremely dry in the Golden Triangle area of Mississippi. Harvest of all crops has been completed except for a few acres of cotton and peanuts. Rye grass and wheat planting is on hold until we get some measurable rainfall.”

- Reid Nevins, Lowndes County

“Livestock producers continue feeding stored forages due to lack of late season summer grazing availability and delayed planting of ryegrass and small grains. A nice, slow, deep-soaking rain is desperately needed.”

- Lamar Adams, Pike County

“Peanut harvest is complete, cotton harvest is nearly over. Yields are expected to be very good. Dry conditions did hamper peanut harvest. Some hay still being rolled. Cattlemen are lamenting the dry weather no ryegrass up at this time. We are experiencing a severe drought.”

- Lee Taylor, Forrest County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending October 30, 2016

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	84.2	49.0	66.6	59.7	7.0	0.00	0	-0.65	1.10	-1.24
Cleveland	84.7	54.4	69.6	60.8	8.7	0.00	0	-0.98	1.46	-2.29
Lambert	83.1	50.7	66.9	60.3	6.7	0.00	0	-0.99	1.32	-2.30
Tunica	81.2	51.5	66.3	60.2	6.0	0.00	0	-0.85	1.36	-1.86
Extreme/Average	83.3	51.4	67.4	60.2	7.1	0.00	0	-0.87	1.31	-1.92
North-Central										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hickory Flat	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Independence	79.1	50.4	64.8	57.6	7.2	0.00	0	-0.90	2.32	-1.42
University	81.8	52.0	66.9	58.7	8.1	0.00	0	-0.74	2.67	-1.23
Extreme/Average	80.4	51.2	65.9	58.2	7.7	0.00	0	-0.82	2.50	-1.32
Northeast										
Booneville	81.7	48.4	65.1	57.0	8.1	0.00	0	-0.97	1.03	-2.67
Corinth	79.6	49.6	64.6	56.3	8.2	0.00	0	-0.98	2.12	-1.14
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tupelo	82.9	52.3	67.6	59.7	7.9	0.00	0	-0.76	0.42	-3.37
Verona	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	81.4	50.1	65.7	57.7	8.1	0.00	0	-0.90	1.19	-2.39
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	83.3	44.8	64.1	62.2	1.8	0.00	0	-1.02	0.23	-3.93
Moorhead	83.7	55.1	69.4	61.8	7.7	0.03	1	-0.84	0.45	-3.07
Rolling Fork	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yazoo City	84.7	53.9	69.3	61.4	7.9	0.00	0	-1.14	0.05	-4.32
Extreme/Average	83.9	51.3	67.6	61.8	5.8	0.01	1	-1.00	0.24	-3.77
Central										
Canton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kosciusko	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Winona	82.6	44.9	63.7	58.1	5.6	0.00	0	-0.94	0.43	-2.89
Extreme/Average	82.6	44.9	63.7	58.1	5.6	0.00	0	-0.94	0.43	-2.89
East-Central										
Aberdeen	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbus	87.2	56.4	71.8	60.3	11.2	0.00	0	-0.65	0.53	-2.30
Macon	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Philadelphia	82.7	49.9	66.3	61.2	5.0	0.00	0	-0.94	1.13	-2.53
State University	85.6	53.4	69.5	59.5	10.0	0.00	0	-0.92	0.04	-3.68
Extreme/Average	85.2	53.2	69.2	60.4	8.8	0.00	0	-0.84	0.57	-2.84
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	83.2	49.6	66.4	63.4	2.7	0.00	0	-0.72	0.15	-2.19
Natchez	79.7	49.1	64.4	62.8	1.7	0.00	0	-1.17	0.00	-3.97
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	79.7	50.0	64.9	62.5	2.4	0.00	0	-1.01	0.15	-4.27
Extreme/Average	80.9	49.6	65.2	62.9	2.3	0.00	0	-0.97	0.10	-3.48
South-Central										
Collins	84.5	50.0	67.3	61.8	5.5	0.00	0	-0.81	0.05	-2.73
Columbia	82.6	50.6	66.6	63.5	3.1	0.00	0	-0.96	0.53	-3.02
Monticello	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	83.5	50.3	66.9	62.6	4.3	0.00	0	-0.89	0.29	-2.88
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	82.1	53.4	67.8	63.6	4.1	0.00	0	-0.81	0.10	-2.91
Laurel	84.0	48.7	66.3	61.9	4.5	0.00	0	-0.74	0.25	-2.85
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	83.0	51.0	67.1	62.8	4.3	0.00	0	-0.78	0.17	-2.88
Coastal										
Biloxi	79.6	59.6	69.6	66.8	2.7	0.00	0	-0.78	0.10	-3.32
Poplarville	80.9	56.1	68.5	64.1	4.4	0.00	0	-0.97	0.06	-3.65
Saucier	81.0	53.7	67.4	66.6	0.8	0.00	0	-0.87	0.02	-3.01
Extreme/Average	80.5	56.5	68.5	65.8	2.7	0.00	0	-0.87	0.06	-3.33
State	82.5	50.6	66.6	61.0	5.5	0.00	0	-0.89	0.63	-2.81

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.