



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 9, 2017**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 5 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 14 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 41.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 57.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 70.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Clarksdale to 82.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Verona. Most of the state received some rain, with the highest concentration in the southwest part of the state with an average of 4.30 inches.

Crop progress for week ending April 9, 2017

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, planted	76	63	46	55
Corn, emerged	46	18	15	25
Cotton, planted	1	0	1	1
Hay- Cool Season, First cutting	2	NA	0	3
Rice, planted	23	12	23	19
Rice, emerged	5	1	3	4
Sorghum, planted	4	1	4	5
Soybeans, planted	15	4	8	9
Soybeans, emerged	2	NA	0	2
Watermelons, planted	60	37	28	31
Winter Wheat, headed	50	24	10	20

NA = Not Available.

Crop condition for week ending April 9, 2017

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Blueberries	0	1	7	88	4
Livestock	0	3	28	61	8
Pasture	3	8	31	47	11
Winter Wheat	1	5	37	51	6

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Rain from the previous weekend kept producers out of the field in the early part of the week. Drier conditions later in the week had producers back on schedule in the fields planting.”

- Tracy Robertson, Carroll County

“There has been so much rain over the past few weeks it has prevented producers from getting work done in their fields. Hopefully, this week, drier conditions will help producers get some work done.”

- Suzanne “Marie” Rogers, Itawamba County

“Producers got back in the field on Thursday and into the weekend. Some producers were finishing up corn planting and some began planting soybeans. Hoping we get a good week of planting in.”

- Preston Aust, Humphreys County

“Livestock producers are in early stages of harvesting ryegrass hay and baleage and are continuing to make fertilizer applications and weed control measures to perennial pastures. Row crop farmers and commercial vegetable producers are waiting on soils to dry out in most areas to resume field operations.”

- Lamar Adams, Pike County

“High winds and plentiful sunshine allowed fields to rapidly dry out this week allowing producers to complete corn planting and continue soybean planting. Winter wheat is fully headed out, some corn is being fertilized, and cotton beds are being prepared.”

- Jon M. Carson, Washington, Issaquena, & Sharkey Counties

“Over 10 inches of rain on 2nd and 3rd days of April with flooding conditions around the Big Black River. Some crops are under water.”

- Anna McCain, Warren County

“First of the week was wet, but it dried out quick. Looking forward to the upcoming rain in the forecast. Vegetable gardens are doing well. We've had a few Deodar Weevil sightings in our pine stands.”

- Randall “Randy H., Amite County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending April 9, 2017

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	70.6	52.0	61.3	58.7	2.6	1.90	1	1.18	2.85	0.34
Cleveland	73.0	49.7	61.4	60.0	1.4	2.57	1	1.51	4.12	-0.04
Lambert	74.4	47.9	61.1	59.5	1.6	1.91	1	0.91	3.03	-0.84
Tunica	72.5	51.2	61.9	59.7	2.3	0.11	2	-0.60	0.63	-3.39
Extreme/Average	72.6	50.2	61.4	59.4	2.0	1.62	2	0.75	2.66	-0.98
North-Central										
Ashland	72.3	44.6	58.4	NA	NA	1.99	3	0.84	5.11	0.50
Hickory Flat	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Independence	72.1	44.4	58.3	57.3	1.0	1.50	2	0.48	2.72	-1.52
University	76.0	47.0	61.5	58.2	3.3	2.44	2	1.26	4.58	0.11
Extreme/Average	73.5	45.3	59.4	57.6	2.1	1.98	3	0.86	4.14	-0.30
Northeast										
Booneville	75.5	45.2	60.3	56.8	3.7	2.08	3	1.17	4.13	0.10
Corinth	73.3	44.6	58.9	56.6	2.3	1.75	1	0.70	2.92	-0.54
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	58.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tupelo	76.0	50.4	63.2	58.6	4.9	2.24	3	1.44	3.84	-0.26
Verona	82.0	50.0	66.0	58.9	7.8	2.30	1	2.14	3.77	0.16
Extreme/Average	76.7	47.6	62.1	57.8	4.7	2.09	3	1.36	3.67	-0.14
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	74.6	52.1	63.4	61.4	1.9	3.38	2	2.23	5.10	1.12
Moorhead	73.9	52.4	63.1	61.0	2.1	2.73	2	1.51	4.32	-0.15
Rolling Fork	NA	NA	NA	61.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yazoo City	79.3	54.6	66.9	60.9	6.0	3.14	1	1.90	5.34	0.39
Extreme/Average	75.9	53.0	64.5	61.2	3.4	3.08	2	1.88	4.92	0.45
Central										
Canton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kosciusko	75.9	47.0	61.4	58.8	2.7	3.54	1	2.21	4.73	-0.04
Winona	72.6	41.1	56.9	57.4	-0.5	3.52	1	2.44	5.80	1.44
Extreme/Average	74.2	44.0	59.1	58.1	1.1	3.53	1	2.33	5.27	0.70
East-Central										
Aberdeen	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbus	79.8	50.8	65.3	60.8	4.7	NA	0	-0.80	1.45	-1.90
Macon	76.4	45.6	61.0	59.8	1.2	2.00	3	1.03	3.01	-1.05
Philadelphia	NA	NA	NA	61.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.37	-1.68
State University	76.7	48.4	62.6	59.2	3.3	3.12	2	1.92	5.14	0.76
Extreme/Average	77.6	48.3	63.0	60.3	3.1	2.56	3	0.72	2.74	-0.97
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	78.8	49.6	64.2	63.0	1.4	1.78	1	0.94	4.18	1.13
Natchez	74.3	48.0	61.1	62.8	-1.6	3.00	1	1.86	5.68	0.94
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	76.3	53.6	64.9	61.6	3.3	10.00	1	8.74	12.02	7.41
Extreme/Average	77.7	50.6	64.2	62.2	2.1	4.30	1	3.32	6.85	2.66
South-Central										
Collins	NA	NA	NA	61.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbia	78.1	48.6	63.4	63.2	0.2	2.10	1	0.77	4.70	-0.46
Monticello	NA	NA	NA	63.1	NA	0.01	1	-0.16	2.35	-0.79
Extreme/Average	78.1	48.6	63.4	62.7	0.2	1.05	1	0.30	3.53	-0.62
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	78.1	50.3	64.2	63.4	0.8	2.57	3	1.34	3.90	-0.80
Laurel	77.7	46.3	62.0	62.3	-0.4	3.73	2	2.66	6.57	2.13
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	77.9	48.3	63.1	61.8	0.2	3.15	3	2.00	4.23	0.14
Coastal										
Biloxi	76.0	57.2	66.6	65.3	1.3	2.40	2	1.44	3.42	-1.70
Poplarville	78.4	52.0	65.2	63.1	2.3	2.20	1	1.33	5.91	1.29
Saucier	78.4	48.9	63.6	65.6	-2.0	4.27	4	3.06	5.65	0.25
Extreme/Average	77.6	52.7	65.1	64.7	0.6	2.96	4	1.94	4.99	-0.05
State	76.3	48.6	62.5	60.6	1.9	2.78	2	1.66	4.44	0.23

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.