



# Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 6, 2017**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 17 percent very short, 38 percent short, 40 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 12 percent very short, 37 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 64.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 73.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 85.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Saucier to 92.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Yazoo City. Most of the state received some rain, with the highest concentration in the coastal part of the state with an average of 1.64 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending August 6, 2017**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, dough	96	92	97	96
Corn, dent	89	80	84	85
Corn, mature	47	29	41	39
Corn, harvested	5	NA	3	5
Cotton, squaring	97	95	96	98
Cotton, setting bolls	81	71	84	83
Cotton, open bolls	3	1	5	3
Peanuts, pegging	89	80	95	94
Rice, headed	91	87	83	78
Rice, mature	20	1	16	11
Sorghum, headed	82	78	85	90
Sorghum, coloring	52	38	44	54
Sorghum, mature	8	NA	5	10
Soybeans, blooming	95	93	93	93
Soybeans, setting pods	88	82	85	77
Soybeans, turning color	18	2	19	13
Soybeans, dropping leaves	4	NA	0	0
Watermelons, harvested	93	78	94	93

NA = Not Available.

**Crop condition for week ending August 6, 2017**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Blueberries	1	3	12	83	1
Corn	0	4	20	42	34
Cotton	0	6	23	47	24
Livestock	0	1	24	66	9
Pasture	0	5	27	61	7
Peanuts	0	2	27	61	10
Rice	0	1	35	47	17
Sorghum	0	4	34	45	17
Soybeans	0	5	23	49	23
Sweet Potatoes	0	4	40	52	4

## Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Conditions have been dry for the most part the past few weeks, but crops have been holding on pretty good. Corn is drying up nicely and almost ready to harvest soon. There is some forthcoming rain and this should help with finalizing yields on soybeans, cotton and peanuts. Livestock on pastures have been fair for the most part and hay production for first cutting is all but done. Vegetable growers are looking at what to plant for the cool season at this point.”

- James “Randall” Nevins, Monroe County

“Still experiencing frequent rains which are impacting forage harvest and production.”

- Amanda Walker, Lawrence County

“Our area has received an above average amount of rainfall for July. Hay producers did have a window of opportunity this past week, but the late starters surely got washed out.”

- Randall “Randy” H. McKey III, Amite County

“Producers are spraying a few worms in some fields; fields are dry. From a county wide standpoint, the average producer has not had a significant rain in 4 weeks. Army worms are showing up in pastures and hay fields at treatable levels.”

- Stephen “Steve” R. Winters, Grenada County

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**Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending August 6, 2017**

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Upper Delta</b>										
Clarksdale	88.5	69.5	79.0	81.0	-2.0	0.01	1	-0.40	2.75	0.47
Cleveland	90.1	68.0	79.1	82.5	-3.4	0.03	1	-0.76	1.15	-2.03
Lambert	90.7	66.8	78.8	82.2	-3.4	NA	0	-0.85	0.55	-2.60
Tunica	86.6	69.0	77.8	81.9	-4.1	0.38	1	-0.09	4.51	1.62
Extreme/Average	89.0	68.3	78.7	81.7	-3.2	0.14	1	-0.53	2.24	-0.64
<b>North-Central</b>										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hickory Flat	NA	NA	NA	79.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Independence	86.3	64.1	75.2	79.3	-4.1	0.31	2	-0.53	1.47	-2.10
University	90.3	66.7	78.5	80.7	-2.2	0.00	0	-0.92	1.03	-2.70
Extreme/Average	88.3	65.4	76.9	79.8	-3.1	0.15	2	-0.73	1.25	-2.40
<b>Northeast</b>										
Booneville	88.3	64.7	76.5	78.9	-2.4	0.14	1	-0.76	0.22	-2.47
Corinth	NA	NA	NA	79.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.52	0.18
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	79.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tupelo	88.5	68.5	78.5	81.0	-2.5	0.00	0	-0.51	1.15	-2.04
Verona	87.0	65.0	76.0	81.1	-5.2	0.00	0	-0.12	1.55	-1.10
Extreme/Average	87.9	66.1	77.0	80.0	-3.4	0.05	1	-0.46	1.11	-1.36
<b>Lower Delta</b>										
Belzoni	NA	NA	NA	82.3	NA	0.00	0	-0.26	0.97	-1.26
Moorhead	88.4	69.7	79.1	82.5	-3.4	0.08	1	-0.66	2.61	-0.75
Rolling Fork	NA	NA	NA	82.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yazoo City	92.9	71.1	82.0	81.7	0.3	0.00	0	-0.83	0.81	-2.32
Extreme/Average	90.7	70.4	80.5	82.2	-1.6	0.03	1	-0.58	1.46	-1.44
<b>Central</b>										
Canton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kosciusko	86.2	66.5	76.4	79.8	-3.4	0.00	0	-0.54	2.79	-1.48
Winona	88.5	64.3	76.4	78.9	-2.5	0.73	2	0.05	3.98	0.28
Extreme/Average	87.3	65.4	76.4	79.4	-3.0	0.36	2	-0.25	3.38	-0.60
<b>East-Central</b>										
Aberdeen	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbus	92.4	72.2	82.3	81.9	0.4	0.65	1	0.00	1.02	-1.61
Macon	90.3	69.3	79.8	80.8	-1.0	0.06	1	-0.41	0.32	-1.98
Philadelphia	87.6	67.8	77.7	81.7	-4.0	0.00	0	-0.78	2.12	-1.79
State University	91.1	68.9	80.0	81.0	-1.0	0.06	1	-0.83	2.22	-1.44
Extreme/Average	90.3	69.6	80.0	81.4	-1.4	0.19	1	-0.51	1.42	-1.71
<b>Southwest</b>										
Crystal Springs	87.4	68.2	77.8	82.5	-4.7	M	0	-0.62	4.29	1.74
Natchez	85.6	69.4	77.5	81.0	-3.5	2.08	3	1.10	5.12	1.77
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	88.4	71.0	79.7	81.8	-2.1	0.49	2	-0.24	7.70	4.06
Extreme/Average	87.0	69.5	78.3	81.5	-3.2	0.86	3	-0.02	7.64	4.35
<b>South-Central</b>										
Collins	NA	NA	NA	80.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbia	89.0	70.9	79.9	82.0	-2.1	0.03	1	-1.11	5.76	1.09
Monticello	NA	NA	NA	82.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	7.56	6.73
Extreme/Average	89.0	70.9	79.9	81.6	-2.1	0.03	1	-1.11	6.66	3.91
<b>Southeast</b>										
Hattiesburg	86.6	69.4	78.0	81.8	-3.8	0.04	2	-0.91	6.17	1.41
Laurel	87.8	68.7	78.3	81.2	-3.0	1.19	2	0.25	5.14	0.82
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	89.5	69.0	79.3	81.1	-1.8	0.41	2	-0.27	4.93	0.79
<b>Coastal</b>										
Biloxi	86.4	73.6	80.0	83.0	-3.0	4.82	3	3.21	9.49	3.25
Poplarville	87.5	69.5	78.5	80.9	-2.4	0.11	1	-0.69	11.03	6.11
Saucier	85.5	70.0	77.8	82.5	-4.8	0.00	0	-1.07	7.09	0.83
Extreme/Average	86.5	71.0	78.8	82.1	-3.4	1.64	3	0.48	9.20	3.40
<b>State</b>	<b>88.5</b>	<b>68.5</b>	<b>78.5</b>	<b>81.0</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>0.39</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-0.39</b>	<b>4.03</b>	<b>0.51</b>

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.