



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, September 17, 2017**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 7 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 8 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 52.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Belzoni to 67.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 70.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Kosciusko to 87.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. Most of the state received some rain, with the highest concentration in the north central part of the state with an average of 2.09 inches.

Crop progress for week ending September 17, 2017

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, mature	100	98	99	99
Corn, harvested	91	81	89	88
Cotton, open bolls	61	47	80	74
Cotton, harvested	1	0	4	4
Peanuts, dug	22	9	16	25
Peanuts, harvested	9	5	10	17
Rice, mature	97	93	92	83
Rice, harvested	62	51	60	51
Sorghum, coloring	98	96	100	99
Sorghum, mature	94	84	92	87
Sorghum, harvested	70	49	65	55
Soybeans, turning color	88	82	79	78
Soybeans, dropping leaves	71	64	63	61
Soybeans, mature	60	52	55	NA
Soybeans, harvested	38	29	32	34
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	22	8	16	21

Crop condition for week ending September 17, 2017

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Blueberries	1	7	27	64	1
Cotton	0	7	27	46	20
Livestock	0	3	23	63	11
Pasture	1	7	23	58	11
Peanuts	0	6	28	54	12
Rice	0	1	33	54	12
Sorghum	0	1	31	51	17
Soybeans	0	6	28	44	22
Sweet Potatoes	0	9	46	42	3

NA = Not Available.

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Corn harvest is turning out well with a little blown down. Early beans are cutting really good yields for the hills. If nothing changes there will be some defoliation going out next week "to just get a start somewhere". We are probably two weeks out still on most of the cotton.”

- Stephen “Steve” R. Winters, Grenada County

“Corn harvest has finished with many row crop producers turning their focus to soybeans, cotton and peanut harvest. Steady rains have produced ample hay cuttings so far and pastures are holding steady from grazing for this time of year.”

- Reid Nevins, Lowndes County

“Good week for hay producers. Cool season forages are beginning to be planted.”

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

“We had a week of no rainfall. This allowed for work to be done in fields. Soybean fields were being sprayed and fall vegetable gardens being planted or managed.”

- Rilondricks Beeman, Jefferson County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending September 17, 2017

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper Delta										
Clarksdale	84.3	59.7	72.0	74.9	-2.7	1.20	1	0.90	5.65	4.32
Cleveland	82.0	61.0	71.5	76.6	-5.1	1.29	2	0.27	3.77	0.29
Lambert	82.5	60.6	71.8	75.5	-3.6	1.60	2	0.87	8.31	5.56
Tunica	80.2	60.2	70.2	75.3	-5.3	2.04	3	1.53	3.79	2.11
Extreme/Average	82.2	60.4	71.4	75.3	-4.2	1.53	3	0.89	5.38	3.07
North-Central										
Ashland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hickory Flat	NA	NA	NA	72.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Independence	79.5	59.6	69.7	72.8	-3.1	2.02	3	1.20	8.77	5.98
University	73.0	56.5	64.8	74.0	-9.9	2.17	3	1.68	5.59	2.79
Extreme/Average	76.2	58.0	67.2	73.2	-6.5	2.09	3	1.44	7.18	4.38
Northeast										
Booneville	76.9	57.6	67.2	72.3	-5.0	1.84	3	0.90	6.04	2.65
Corinth	NA	NA	NA	72.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	6.28	4.43
Fulton	NA	NA	NA	73.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pontotoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tupelo	73.2	58.8	66.0	74.4	-8.8	1.68	2	1.09	3.80	1.21
Verona	NA	NA	NA	75.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.49	-0.74
Extreme/Average	75.1	58.2	66.6	73.4	-6.9	1.76	3	1.00	4.15	1.89
Lower Delta										
Belzoni	78.3	52.3	65.3	76.8	-11.6	1.00	2	0.35	4.26	2.17
Moorhead	79.6	60.6	70.1	76.5	-6.4	1.66	3	0.74	1.88	-0.31
Rolling Fork	NA	NA	NA	76.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Yazoo City	83.9	63.9	73.9	76.2	-2.3	0.62	1	-0.06	5.24	2.60
Extreme/Average	80.6	58.9	69.8	76.5	-6.8	1.09	3	0.34	3.79	1.49
Central										
Canton	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kosciusko	70.7	56.7	63.7	74.0	-11.0	0.80	2	0.39	6.11	3.15
Winona	80.2	57.3	69.0	73.2	-4.1	1.11	3	0.17	3.26	-0.37
Extreme/Average	75.5	57.0	66.3	73.6	-7.6	0.96	3	0.28	4.69	1.39
East-Central										
Aberdeen	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbus	87.7	64.5	77.0	75.6	1.4	0.30	1	-0.17	1.32	-1.10
Macon	83.3	61.0	72.2	75.1	-2.9	0.45	1	-0.29	1.28	-1.38
Philadelphia	75.6	58.8	67.2	76.4	-9.6	0.65	2	0.11	1.49	-1.68
State University	79.4	60.9	70.1	74.5	-4.4	1.02	2	0.23	3.84	0.56
Extreme/Average	81.5	61.3	71.6	75.4	-3.9	0.60	2	-0.03	1.98	-0.90
Southwest										
Crystal Springs	83.0	59.7	72.3	78.2	-5.8	0.02	1	-0.40	2.53	0.31
Natchez	83.3	62.0	72.9	76.0	-3.0	0.07	1	-1.01	6.18	2.38
Oakley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Vicksburg City	83.8	63.0	73.8	76.4	-2.5	0.16	1	-0.78	4.66	0.90
Extreme/Average	83.4	61.6	73.0	76.7	-3.8	0.08	1	-0.73	3.99	0.93
South-Central										
Collins	NA	NA	NA	75.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Columbia	84.4	62.4	73.4	77.6	-4.2	0.44	1	-0.49	7.36	3.29
Monticello	NA	NA	NA	77.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.34	0.28
Extreme/Average	84.4	62.4	73.4	76.9	-4.2	0.44	1	-0.49	4.35	1.79
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	79.0	57.0	68.0	77.6	-9.6	0.00	0	-0.15	2.62	-0.79
Laurel	82.3	60.9	71.6	76.2	-4.6	0.03	1	-0.87	0.86	-2.88
Waynesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	80.7	59.0	69.8	76.2	-7.1	0.01	1	-0.51	1.22	-1.63
Coastal										
Biloxi	82.4	67.4	74.9	79.4	-4.4	0.00	0	-1.36	3.42	-1.86
Poplarville	83.6	61.0	72.3	77.0	-4.7	1.03	2	0.10	5.09	1.10
Saucier	82.6	60.6	71.6	78.7	-7.3	0.00	0	-1.01	2.72	-2.37
Extreme/Average	82.9	63.0	72.9	78.3	-5.5	0.34	2	-0.76	3.74	-1.04
State	80.2	59.9	70.1	75.5	-5.7	0.81	2	0.08	3.92	0.99

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.