



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 12, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 15 percent very short, 41 percent short, 43 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 13 percent very short, 44 percent short, 42 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 68.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashland to 74.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 88.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence and Tunica to 97.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Verona. Rain was scattered across the State, with the highest concentration in the south central part of the State with an average of 2.52 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 12, 2018

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, dough	98	96	98	97
Corn, dent	92	83	93	89
Corn, mature	53	32	64	52
Corn, harvested	4	1	10	8
Cotton, squaring	99	98	99	99
Cotton, setting bolls	95	92	86	86
Cotton, open bolls	12	11	6	6
Peanuts, pegging	94	88	92	95
Rice, headed	92	90	96	85
Rice, mature	22	8	31	19
Sorghum, headed	93	90	85	91
Sorghum, coloring	62	40	59	60
Sorghum, mature	10	2	14	13
Soybeans, blooming	97	96	98	95
Soybeans, setting pods	93	90	91	84
Soybeans, turning color	21	13	28	19
Soybeans, dropping leaves	5	1	12	4
Soybeans, harvested	1	(NA)	0	0
Watermelons, harvested	96	90	95	95

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending August 12, 2018

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	0	6	23	68	3
Corn	0	2	29	54	15
Cotton	0	5	23	50	22
Livestock	0	4	28	59	9
Pasture	3	11	40	44	2
Peanuts	0	2	27	69	2
Rice	0	1	23	57	19
Sorghum	0	0	16	72	12
Soybeans	0	4	27	52	17
Sweet potatoes	0	3	47	44	6

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Getting pretty dry. Irrigation is still wide open. Corn is maturing very fast and should be the beginning of harvest in the next week to 10 days. Cotton is cutting out in some areas where there is no irrigation. Hay harvest is slowing down a little.”

- Jimbo Burkhalter, Panola County

“Heavy rains in many parts of the county brought relief to severe drought conditions. Heat has not been overtly bad in past few days relieving livestock stress.”

- Jim McAdory, Winston County

“Scattered showers have brought some relief to row crops and pasture alike but we could still use a good general rain across the county. Corn harvest began this past week for several growers in the southern part of the county.”

- Reid Nevins, Lowndes County

“It is dry in some parts of the county. Rain is needed!”

- Thomas E. Brewer, Jefferson County

“Majority of county has been without significant rainfall for several weeks now, some portions in the western side of the county for upwards of 6 weeks. A popup thunderstorm early in the week helped to break up that trend but still need more to add moisture back into the soil and push these later beans.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

“Rains are sporadic throughout the county. Some areas are very dry.”

- Amanda Masholie, Lawrence County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending August 12, 2018

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Upper delta										
Charleston	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	91.3	70.7	81.0	80.9	0.1	0.30	1	0.01	1.28	-0.45
Cleveland	91.1	70.9	81.0	82.5	-1.5	0.96	2	0.24	3.56	0.54
Lambert	93.8	71.5	82.7	82.0	0.7	0.22	1	-0.46	1.35	-1.28
Tunica	88.7	71.7	80.2	81.7	-1.5	0.10	1	-0.18	2.22	0.80
Extreme/Average	91.2	71.2	81.2	81.6	-0.6	0.40	2	-0.10	2.10	-0.10
North central										
Ashland	89.1	68.6	78.9	(NA)	(NA)	0.53	4	-0.31	1.14	-2.75
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	88.7	70.1	79.4	79.2	0.2	0.00	0	-0.79	3.69	0.15
University	91.9	71.1	81.5	80.6	0.9	0.47	2	-0.42	4.50	0.79
Extreme/Average	89.9	69.9	79.9	79.7	0.6	0.33	4	-0.51	3.11	-0.60
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	89.6	72.4	81.0	81.0	0.0	1.79	2	1.16	4.25	0.98
Verona	97.3	73.3	85.3	81.0	4.3	0.00	0	-0.42	1.35	-1.68
Extreme/Average	93.4	72.8	83.2	79.9	2.2	0.90	2	0.37	2.80	-0.35
Lower delta										
Belzoni	91.5	71.8	81.7	82.4	-0.7	0.90	1	0.19	1.39	-1.51
Moorhead	91.0	70.9	80.9	82.5	-1.6	0.15	2	-0.55	2.47	-0.70
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	-0.12
Extreme/Average	91.2	71.3	81.3	82.2	-1.1	0.53	2	-0.18	1.29	-0.78
Central										
Kosciusko	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.80	-1.13
Winona	93.9	68.9	81.4	78.9	2.5	0.06	1	-0.74	2.08	-1.33
Extreme/Average	93.9	68.9	81.4	79.3	2.5	0.06	1	-0.74	1.94	-1.23
East central										
Columbus	95.4	73.8	84.6	81.7	2.8	0.65	4	0.01	2.99	0.14
Macon	96.5	72.8	84.6	80.8	3.8	0.00	0	-0.48	2.00	0.45
Philadelphia	93.0	71.8	82.4	81.6	0.7	1.62	1	1.01	3.91	0.22
State University	95.0	73.0	84.0	80.8	3.2	0.32	2	-0.61	1.69	-1.97
Extreme/Average	95.0	72.8	83.9	81.2	2.6	0.65	4	-0.02	2.65	-0.29
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3.80	0.93
Crystal Springs	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Natchez	91.0	69.7	80.4	80.9	-0.5	0.87	5	-0.13	1.74	-1.72
Vicksburg City	90.6	73.4	82.0	81.7	0.3	1.37	2	0.70	2.09	-0.91
Extreme/Average	90.8	71.6	81.2	81.5	-0.1	1.12	5	0.28	2.54	-0.57
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	93.0	71.1	82.1	82.0	0.1	3.16	2	2.11	5.06	0.57
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.0	(NA)	1.88	1	1.73	5.06	2.78
Extreme/Average	93.0	71.1	82.1	81.6	0.1	2.52	2	1.92	5.06	1.67
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	94.2	70.8	82.5	81.8	0.7	0.00	0	-0.73	3.20	-1.36
Laurel	94.6	71.1	82.9	81.1	1.7	0.27	2	-0.80	4.62	0.34
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.56	0.14
Extreme/Average	94.4	70.9	82.7	81.0	1.2	0.14	2	-0.77	3.46	-0.29
Coastal										
Biloxi	90.3	74.7	82.5	82.9	-0.4	1.73	3	0.25	9.84	3.79
Poplarville	92.8	71.0	81.9	81.0	0.9	0.41	1	-0.55	4.71	-0.27
Saucier	90.5	70.8	80.6	82.4	-1.8	0.91	2	-0.13	7.88	1.99
Extreme/Average	91.2	72.2	81.7	82.1	-0.4	1.02	3	-0.14	7.48	1.84
State	92.5	71.2	81.9	80.9	0.8	0.73	3	-0.04	3.14	-0.17

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.