



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 26, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent very short, 30 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 5 percent very short, 29 percent short, 61 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 64.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashland to 75.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 83.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 93.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Philadelphia. Rain was scattered across the State, with the highest concentration in the upper delta part of the State with an average of 2.19 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 26, 2018

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, dough	100	99	100	100
Corn, dent	97	95	99	97
Corn, mature	86	72	90	83
Corn, harvested	39	21	47	35
Cotton, setting bolls	97	96	97	95
Cotton, open bolls	36	26	22	22
Peanuts, pegging	98	96	97	99
Peanuts, dugged	3	1	2	5
Rice, headed	99	95	100	95
Rice, mature	70	45	73	45
Rice, harvested	24	4	18	9
Sorghum, headed	99	96	96	99
Sorghum, coloring	80	75	70	77
Sorghum, mature	33	22	58	42
Sorghum, harvested	5	0	13	9
Soybeans, blooming	99	98	100	99
Soybeans, setting pods	97	96	98	94
Soybeans, turning color	49	35	63	44
Soybeans, dropping leaves	23	13	42	23
Soybeans, harvested	7	4	11	6
Watermelons, harvested	99	98	100	99

Crop condition for week ending August 26, 2018

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	0	2	26	68	4
Corn	0	2	24	60	14
Cotton	0	7	24	56	13
Livestock	0	5	34	54	7
Pasture	2	12	41	40	5
Peanuts	0	3	24	72	1
Rice	0	0	22	63	15
Sorghum	0	0	16	72	12
Soybeans	0	3	26	54	17
Sweet potatoes	0	2	47	44	7

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“There is still a need for rain for the area. The lack of rain has been affecting hay producing, fall garden producing, and forestry management. It has been less than five inches of rain combined over the last few weeks.”

- Jason Jones, Adams County

“Little to no rain in the county this past week. Slight chance of rain everyday this coming week. Armyworms have been spotted in bermuda grass pastures.”

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

“Several rain showers over the weekend helped to give some relief to the dry conditions and will help with late season soybean production, as well as help with forage production and second cutting hay.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

“We did get some rain first of last week which was a big help to the soybean, cotton and peanut crops. That will help with holding off any further loss of yields due to lack of rainfall. Still could use a bit more for pastures to bounce back though.”

- James “Randall” Nevins, Monroe County

“Most areas of the county could use a good rain at this time.”

- Patrick J. Poindexter, Alcorn County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending August 26, 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)	79.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	87.3	66.3	76.8	80.1	-3.2	1.38	1	1.21	1.97	1.03
Cleveland	88.4	69.1	78.8	81.8	-3.0	3.88	2	3.16	6.87	3.98
Lambert	87.4	68.3	77.9	81.0	-3.1	2.39	2	1.65	3.58	1.02
Tunica	87.4	68.7	78.1	80.7	-2.6	1.11	2	0.51	1.70	0.27
Extreme/Average	87.6	68.1	77.9	80.6	-3.0	2.19	2	1.63	3.53	1.57
North central										
Ashland	85.1	64.6	74.9	(NA)	(NA)	0.36	2	-0.30	1.32	-1.91
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	83.3	65.0	74.1	78.4	-4.2	0.75	2	0.08	3.13	0.10
University	87.0	66.7	76.9	79.7	-2.9	1.91	2	1.14	4.63	1.36
Extreme/Average	85.1	65.4	75.3	78.8	-3.6	1.01	2	0.31	3.03	-0.15
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	77.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	77.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	-0.24
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	84.6	67.9	76.2	80.3	-4.1	0.70	3	-0.13	3.88	0.37
Verona	87.8	70.0	78.9	80.2	-1.4	1.86	2	1.28	3.92	0.57
Extreme/Average	86.2	69.0	77.6	79.0	-2.7	1.28	3	0.57	3.90	0.23
Lower delta										
Belzoni	89.4	70.4	79.9	81.7	-1.8	1.33	2	0.56	4.63	1.60
Moorhead	86.1	68.7	77.4	81.6	-4.2	2.38	3	1.80	5.06	2.38
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	87.8	69.6	78.7	81.4	-3.0	1.85	3	1.18	4.84	1.99
Central										
Kosciusko	85.0	68.4	76.7	79.2	-2.6	0.47	1	-0.15	4.79	1.49
Winona	86.0	64.8	75.4	78.2	-2.8	1.36	1	0.61	1.95	-1.02
Extreme/Average	85.5	66.6	76.1	78.7	-2.7	0.92	1	0.23	3.37	0.23
East central										
Columbus	91.6	70.8	81.2	80.7	0.4	0.00	0	-0.66	1.21	-1.68
Macon	89.3	67.2	78.3	80.2	-1.9	0.00	0	-0.79	1.10	-1.17
Philadelphia	93.0	74.2	83.6	81.0	2.5	0.40	1	-0.20	3.96	0.08
State University	90.6	68.0	79.3	80.0	-0.7	0.00	0	-0.91	1.22	-2.49
Extreme/Average	91.1	70.0	80.6	80.5	0.1	0.10	1	-0.64	1.87	-1.31
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.09	-0.39
Crystal Springs	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Natchez	89.6	67.7	78.6	80.2	-1.6	0.85	1	-0.22	3.57	-0.45
Vicksburg City	89.1	70.0	79.6	81.2	-1.7	0.89	2	-0.05	2.54	-0.30
Extreme/Average	89.3	68.8	79.1	81.0	-1.6	0.87	2	-0.14	2.73	-0.38
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	89.9	69.4	79.6	81.5	-1.9	0.53	2	-0.59	7.76	3.37
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.4	(NA)	0.06	1	-0.09	3.90	3.28
Extreme/Average	89.9	69.4	79.6	81.0	-1.9	0.30	2	-0.34	5.83	3.33
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	89.8	68.0	78.9	81.4	-2.6	1.19	2	0.26	9.02	4.16
Laurel	92.4	69.0	80.7	80.5	0.2	1.08	2	0.01	6.18	1.86
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.34	0.06
Extreme/Average	91.1	68.5	79.8	80.5	-1.2	1.14	2	0.14	5.18	2.03
Coastal										
Biloxi	88.9	75.1	82.0	82.4	-0.4	1.08	3	-0.26	6.70	0.86
Poplarville	87.8	68.6	78.2	80.7	-2.5	0.46	2	-0.37	3.80	-0.95
Saucier	87.0	71.0	79.0	81.9	-3.0	0.72	2	-0.14	4.92	-0.67
Extreme/Average	87.9	71.6	79.7	81.7	-2.0	0.75	3	-0.26	5.14	-0.25
State	88.3	68.6	78.4	80.3	-2.1	0.98	2	0.19	3.86	0.66

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.