



## Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, October 7, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 11 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 21 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 14 percent short, 70 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 64.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 73.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 81.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Kosciusko to 92.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. Sparse rain was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the north central part of the State with an average of 0.14 inch.

**Crop progress for week ending October 7, 2018**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, harvested	97	92	99	98
Cotton, open bolls	97	92	88	91
Cotton, harvested	40	24	30	34
Peanuts, dug	60	40	55	58
Peanuts, harvested	35	29	27	37
Rice, harvested	92	86	92	83
Sorghum, harvested	90	71	96	86
Soybeans, turning color	98	94	96	96
Soybeans, dropping leaves	93	87	91	86
Soybeans, mature	86	78	85	(NA)
Soybeans, harvested	61	50	72	67
Sweet potatoes, harvested	39	27	61	49
Winter wheat, planted	5	4	4	8
Winter wheat, emerged	1	0	0	1

(NA) Not available.

**Crop condition for week ending October 7, 2018**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	0	3	7	90	0
Cotton	0	7	24	49	20
Livestock	0	4	33	56	7
Pasture	1	9	35	51	4
Peanuts	0	9	30	59	2
Sweet potatoes	0	4	49	42	5

**Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents**

“Favorable weather allowed harvest to resume mid-week. Growers struggle with harvest aid decisions between the storm systems. Last storm led to cottonseed germinating in the boll.”

- Dr. Bill Burdine, Union County

“Late season rains have delayed harvest and had a large impact on cotton and soybean crop quality.”

- James Shannon, Pontotoc County

“Producers are still pushing to finish up bean harvest as quite a few acres of cotton remain to be harvested. Another week of dry weather will make all the difference.”

- Preston Aust, Issaquena and Sharkey Counties

“Little rain fall this past week. One quarter inch of rain this past weekend. Cool season forage producers are having a great start, yet keeping an eye out for army worms.”

- Randall H. McKey III, Amite County

“Many livestock producers still need rain to foster adequate soil moisture to ensure good germination and establishment of cool season forage crops.”

- Lamar Adams, Pike County

“Harvesting to beat the storm!”

- Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie County

“Heat and humidity persisted, but we had adequate moisture in most of the county.”

- Jim McAdory, Winston County

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**Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending October 7, 2018**

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Upper delta</b>										
Charleston	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	66.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	89.0	66.2	77.6	67.5	10.0	0.00	0	-0.49	2.86	1.33
Cleveland	91.4	70.6	81.0	68.9	12.1	0.00	0	-0.77	2.05	-1.53
Lambert	89.9	68.3	79.1	68.0	11.1	0.00	0	-0.89	1.54	-1.23
Tunica	89.0	69.3	79.2	67.6	10.9	0.00	0	-0.31	1.20	0.38
Extreme/Average	89.8	68.6	79.2	67.7	11.0	0.00	0	-0.61	1.91	-0.26
<b>North central</b>										
Ashland	86.6	65.3	75.9	(NA)	(NA)	0.06	1	-0.99	6.47	2.62
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	66.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	86.1	67.1	76.6	64.8	11.9	0.35	1	-0.58	2.56	-0.87
University	88.4	66.2	77.3	65.8	11.2	0.00	0	-0.70	3.58	0.37
Extreme/Average	87.0	66.2	76.6	65.4	11.5	0.14	1	-0.76	4.20	0.71
<b>Northeast</b>										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	85.0	66.8	75.9	66.5	8.9	0.00	0	-0.65	5.83	2.55
Verona	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	66.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.31	-0.89
Extreme/Average	85.0	66.8	75.9	65.5	8.9	0.00	0	-0.65	3.57	0.83
<b>Lower delta</b>										
Belzoni	88.7	71.4	80.1	69.5	10.5	0.03	1	-0.97	1.99	-0.59
Moorhead	88.0	70.7	79.4	69.5	9.8	0.00	0	-0.87	5.15	1.48
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	88.3	71.1	79.7	69.4	10.2	0.01	1	-0.92	3.57	0.45
<b>Central</b>										
Kosciusko	81.5	69.0	75.3	66.2	8.1	0.00	0	-0.28	5.56	2.57
Winona	87.8	64.8	76.3	65.4	11.1	0.01	1	-0.74	3.22	0.02
Extreme/Average	84.7	66.9	75.8	65.8	9.6	0.01	1	-0.51	4.39	1.29
<b>East central</b>										
Columbus	92.2	68.8	80.5	68.2	12.1	0.00	0	-0.64	0.57	-2.18
Macon	88.2	66.8	77.5	67.3	10.4	0.00	0	-0.41	2.67	0.64
Philadelphia	88.8	67.8	78.3	68.8	8.9	0.20	1	-0.29	3.79	1.14
State University	90.7	68.9	79.8	66.7	13.1	0.00	0	-0.93	8.51	5.17
Extreme/Average	90.0	68.1	79.0	67.7	11.1	0.05	1	-0.57	3.88	1.19
<b>Southwest</b>										
Brookhaven City	82.0	71.0	76.5	68.8	6.6	0.00	0	-0.13	3.61	0.60
Crystal Springs	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	71.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Natchez	87.4	68.1	77.8	69.3	8.4	0.08	1	-0.67	7.52	4.08
Vicksburg City	88.9	71.4	80.1	69.3	10.9	0.00	0	-1.01	2.28	-1.00
Extreme/Average	86.1	70.2	78.1	69.7	8.6	0.03	1	-0.60	4.47	1.23
<b>South central</b>										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	68.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	90.4	69.6	80.0	70.9	9.1	0.00	0	-0.78	6.15	2.88
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	70.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.22	-0.02
Extreme/Average	90.4	69.6	80.0	69.9	9.1	0.00	0	-0.78	3.69	1.43
<b>Southeast</b>										
Hattiesburg	89.0	69.4	79.2	70.8	8.1	0.00	0	-0.63	2.90	-0.74
Laurel	91.2	67.2	79.2	69.3	10.3	0.00	0	-0.56	1.47	-1.41
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	5.14	2.70
Extreme/Average	90.1	68.3	79.2	69.1	9.2	0.00	0	-0.59	3.17	0.18
<b>Coastal</b>										
Biloxi	87.0	73.1	80.1	73.7	6.3	0.00	0	-1.02	2.72	-2.13
Poplarville	87.0	69.0	78.0	70.6	6.8	0.00	0	-0.39	4.87	1.83
Saucier	88.0	70.4	79.2	73.2	5.7	0.00	0	-0.72	6.68	2.09
Extreme/Average	87.3	70.8	79.1	72.5	6.3	0.00	0	-0.71	4.76	0.60
<b>State</b>	<b>87.8</b>	<b>68.6</b>	<b>78.2</b>	<b>68.2</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>0.02</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-0.66</b>	<b>3.84</b>	<b>0.82</b>

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.