



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 3.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, October 21, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 9 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 21 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 8 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 45.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashland to 65.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 65.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Tunica to 86.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Poplarville. Most of the State received rain, with the highest concentration in the central part of the State with an average of 2.16 inches.

Crop progress for week ending October 21, 2018

Crop	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Corn, harvested	99	98	100	100
Cotton, open bolls	99	98	96	98
Cotton, harvested	70	60	57	66
Peanuts, dug	77	71	80	78
Peanuts, harvested	58	49	55	62
Rice, harvested	95	94	98	96
Sorghum, harvested	100	97	100	95
Soybeans, turning color	100	99	100	100
Soybeans, dropping leaves	98	96	97	96
Soybeans, mature	95	92	94	(NA)
Soybeans, harvested	80	73	87	86
Sweet potatoes, harvested	68	56	75	70
Winter wheat, planted	14	8	14	18
Winter wheat, emerged	4	2	6	8

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending October 21, 2018

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Blueberries	0	1	23	72	4
Livestock	0	4	32	54	10
Pasture	1	8	35	48	8

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Showers on Tuesday stopped us for a day. Grazing ryegrass is now being planted and hoping for a rain.”

- Stephen R. Winters, Grenada County

“There was limited fieldwork this week due to rain. Last week's biggest issue was seed damage on soybean and the discount they received from buy points. Cotton regrowth and cool temps is making defoliation a hard decision.”

- Dr. Bill Burdine, Union County

“Rain showers in the later part last week slowed harvest progress. Farmers plan to resume harvest as the new week begins.”

- James Shannon, Pontotoc County

“Another wet week and equipment sitting idle. Some acres of soybeans and cotton are yet to be harvested and very little field work is complete for next spring.”

- Preston Aust, Humphreys County

“Some are still trying to get a last cutting of hay. Others were working through the weekend to finish up cotton.”

- Tracy Robertson, Carroll County

“Rainfall early in the week put a halt on crop harvest and cooler temperatures have come in, but a majority of crops have been harvested and only a few acres remain.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending October 21, 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)	61.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	72.0	46.7	59.3	62.6	-3.4	0.15	1	-0.26	1.75	0.12
Cleveland	69.7	51.3	60.5	63.9	-3.4	0.88	3	-0.16	3.34	-0.29
Lambert	68.0	49.0	58.5	63.2	-4.7	0.71	3	-0.26	2.70	-0.81
Tunica	65.3	48.7	57.0	62.9	-5.8	0.71	2	0.27	2.65	-0.03
Extreme/Average	68.8	48.9	58.8	62.9	-4.3	0.61	3	-0.10	2.61	-0.25
North central										
Ashland	66.9	45.7	56.3	(NA)	(NA)	0.75	4	-0.27	4.36	0.23
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	61.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	59.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	66.0	46.3	56.1	60.1	-4.0	1.15	4	0.17	3.34	-0.40
University	69.3	47.4	58.4	61.2	-2.8	0.75	4	-0.34	3.54	-0.59
Extreme/Average	67.4	46.5	56.9	60.7	-3.4	0.88	4	-0.15	3.75	-0.25
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	59.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	59.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.19	0.15
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	60.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	71.0	48.7	59.9	62.3	-2.4	1.05	2	0.09	6.52	2.42
Verona	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	61.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.17	0.02
Extreme/Average	71.0	48.7	59.9	60.7	-2.4	1.05	2	0.09	2.63	0.86
Lower delta										
Belzoni	68.3	51.7	60.0	65.0	-4.9	1.91	3	0.96	3.82	0.17
Moorhead	68.8	53.8	61.3	64.9	-3.9	1.59	3	0.97	6.37	3.01
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.3	(NA)	0.00	0	-0.17	0.00	-0.17
Extreme/Average	68.5	52.8	60.7	64.7	-4.4	1.17	3	0.59	3.40	1.00
Central										
Kosciusko	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	61.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.71	0.43
Winona	69.3	48.9	59.1	60.7	-1.6	2.16	4	1.19	5.03	1.61
Extreme/Average	69.3	48.9	59.1	61.0	-1.6	2.16	4	1.19	3.87	1.02
East central										
Columbus	70.6	48.2	59.4	63.2	-4.1	0.91	2	0.27	1.38	-1.70
Macon	77.2	51.8	64.5	62.8	1.8	1.37	3	0.76	2.85	1.10
Philadelphia	71.1	50.4	60.8	63.8	-3.1	0.25	1	-0.68	3.22	-0.22
State University	75.3	52.9	64.1	62.0	2.1	2.38	4	1.46	6.12	2.48
Extreme/Average	73.5	50.8	62.2	63.0	-0.8	1.23	4	0.45	3.39	0.42
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3.68	1.62
Crystal Springs	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	66.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Natchez	73.9	54.4	64.1	65.1	-1.0	0.12	1	-1.04	4.68	1.02
Vicksburg City	72.0	55.7	63.9	65.1	-1.2	1.81	3	0.60	2.83	-1.18
Extreme/Average	73.0	55.0	64.0	65.2	-1.1	0.97	3	-0.22	3.73	0.49
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	80.3	59.0	69.6	66.2	3.4	1.10	4	0.16	3.85	0.56
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.2	(NA)	0.29	1	0.16	1.16	-0.49
Extreme/Average	80.3	59.0	69.6	65.2	3.4	0.70	4	0.16	2.50	0.04
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	79.2	61.2	70.2	66.2	3.7	0.95	2	0.39	2.21	-0.95
Laurel	80.4	57.4	68.9	64.6	4.3	1.76	2	0.96	2.75	-0.02
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.99	1.13
Extreme/Average	79.8	59.3	69.6	64.4	4.0	1.35	2	0.68	2.32	0.05
Coastal										
Biloxi	81.3	65.5	73.4	69.4	4.2	0.56	1	-0.12	3.33	-0.46
Poplarville	86.0	65.0	75.5	66.4	8.2	0.00	0	-0.13	2.25	-0.38
Saucier	81.4	62.8	72.1	69.1	2.7	0.04	1	-0.54	4.36	0.75
Extreme/Average	82.9	64.4	73.7	68.3	5.0	0.20	1	-0.26	3.31	-0.03
State	73.5	53.5	63.5	63.6	-0.4	1.11	3	0.30	3.20	0.37

(NA) Not available.
 Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.
 DFN = Departure From Normal.