



## Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there was 0.4 day suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, March 10, 2019**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 10 percent adequate, and 90 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 18 percent adequate, and 82 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 23.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Macon to 45.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Vicksburg City. Highs ranged from 40.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Tunica to 63.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbia. Most of the State received rain, with the highest concentration in the central part of the State with an average of 2.08 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending March 10, 2019**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Watermelons, planted	1	(NA)	0	0
Winter wheat, headed	1	(NA)	0	0

(NA) Not Available.

**Crop condition for week ending March 10, 2019**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	0	5	6	79	10
Livestock	2	6	37	42	13
Pasture	3	15	40	36	6
Winter wheat	0	4	49	40	7

**Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents**

“Saturated ground has made it difficult for farmers feeding animals using feeding areas because they are becoming bogged down with mud. Muddy conditions have also caused some deaths according to farmers.”

- Lemon Ray Phelps, Marshall County

“It is still too wet to do anything. Forecast is for 2 inches this week, and if we get it, we will be out of the row crop fields until close to April 1.”

- Steve Winters, Grenada County

“Heavy rains continue to drench fields creating muddy conditions around feeding sites. Most crop fields in the flat lands are still holding water due to weather from a couple of weeks ago.”

- Tracy Robertson, Carroll County

“Soil is saturated, and farmers are not able to get into fields. Cattle condition remains pretty good because of a decent hay supply. Cattle are bogging around in fields and local farmers have had an increase in foot problems due to wet conditions.”

- Vicki Joyce Ganann, Leake County

“Still very wet with weekly rains. Some aerial herbicide applications have been made, but the weather has not allowed for much, if any, field work to be done. Hay storages are dwindling and pasture conditions with cattle are not doing well with the wet conditions.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

“Multiple areas of the county are currently being affected by river flood water, causing some producers to move cattle to higher ground.”

- Lionel Brown, Wilkinson County

“We are having the wettest winter that many seasoned farmers can ever remember. Soils are saturated. Livestock producers are suffering due to muddy pasture conditions forcing them to limit grazing and/or sacrifice winter pastures due to cattle bogging.”

- Lamar Adams, Pike County

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**Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending March 10, 2019**

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)	51.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	50.0	31.0	40.5	49.9	-9.4	0.38	2	-0.44	2.31	-1.15
Cleveland	50.1	35.4	42.8	51.4	-8.6	0.63	3	-0.31	14.57	10.24
Lambert	49.6	30.3	40.8	51.1	-10.3	0.29	2	-0.68	14.63	10.13
Tunica	40.0	26.6	33.3	50.9	-17.3	0.01	1	-0.78	8.24	5.27
Extreme/Average	47.4	30.8	39.4	50.9	-11.4	0.33	3	-0.55	9.94	6.12
<b>North central</b>										
Ashland	47.7	29.3	38.5	(NA)	(NA)	2.34	4	1.18	13.52	8.52
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	49.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	48.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	47.1	29.4	38.3	49.0	-10.7	2.86	4	1.78	13.95	9.59
University	52.5	32.0	42.3	50.3	-8.2	0.37	3	-0.64	16.80	11.72
Extreme/Average	49.1	30.2	39.7	49.3	-9.4	1.86	4	0.77	14.76	9.94
<b>Northeast</b>										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	48.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	48.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	49.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	42.8	26.2	34.5	49.9	-15.1	0.33	2	-0.43	14.97	10.64
Verona	43.7	27.7	35.7	50.9	-14.6	0.91	1	0.37	15.38	10.81
Extreme/Average	43.2	26.9	35.1	49.4	-14.9	0.62	2	-0.03	15.18	10.73
<b>Lower delta</b>										
Belzoni	56.0	39.6	47.8	53.4	-5.6	1.13	3	0.31	7.49	3.79
Moorhead	51.3	37.3	44.3	52.6	-8.3	0.48	3	-0.64	15.84	10.99
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	53.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	53.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	53.6	38.5	46.1	53.1	-7.0	0.80	3	-0.17	11.66	7.39
<b>Central</b>										
Kosciusko	44.5	25.2	34.9	50.9	-15.7	1.51	1	0.77	9.09	4.12
Winona	53.0	30.7	42.5	50.3	-7.9	2.66	4	1.43	13.91	8.72
Extreme/Average	48.8	27.9	38.7	50.6	-11.8	2.08	4	1.10	11.50	6.42
<b>East central</b>										
Columbus	52.6	31.2	41.9	53.7	-11.8	0.20	1	-0.64	6.93	2.96
Macon	47.0	23.5	35.0	52.7	-17.4	0.51	2	-0.28	6.43	2.51
Philadelphia	60.0	35.4	47.7	54.3	-6.6	1.59	2	0.41	8.56	3.16
State University	54.4	34.7	44.6	51.5	-6.9	2.23	3	1.06	11.55	6.04
Extreme/Average	53.5	31.2	42.3	53.0	-10.7	1.13	3	0.14	8.37	3.67
<b>Southwest</b>										
Brookhaven City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	54.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	6.50	2.24
Crystal Springs	55.3	31.0	43.8	55.9	-11.8	0.64	1	-0.38	2.99	-0.60
Natchez	60.2	39.4	51.0	56.1	-5.2	0.34	3	-1.06	7.46	1.86
Vicksburg City	59.4	45.0	52.2	54.9	-2.7	0.95	2	-0.31	7.40	2.10
Extreme/Average	58.3	38.5	49.0	55.4	-6.6	0.64	3	-0.58	6.09	1.40
<b>South central</b>										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	54.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	63.4	40.6	52.0	56.7	-4.7	0.67	2	-0.63	6.81	1.44
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	56.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	5.86	1.77
Extreme/Average	63.4	40.6	52.0	55.9	-4.7	0.67	2	-0.63	6.33	1.60
<b>Southeast</b>										
Hattiesburg	59.5	29.5	44.5	56.6	-11.8	1.03	2	0.26	7.97	3.34
Laurel	61.9	39.4	50.6	55.3	-4.7	0.83	2	-0.39	5.80	0.94
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	52.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	6.28	2.77
Extreme/Average	60.7	34.5	47.6	54.9	-8.3	0.93	2	-0.07	6.68	2.35
<b>Coastal</b>										
Biloxi	61.0	44.9	52.9	58.6	-5.6	0.15	1	-1.18	4.05	-1.15
Poplarville	61.1	37.9	49.5	56.9	-7.4	0.83	2	-0.48	7.95	2.21
Saucier	62.4	43.1	52.8	59.9	-7.1	1.15	2	-0.27	5.81	0.44
Extreme/Average	61.5	42.0	51.7	58.5	-6.7	0.71	2	-0.64	5.94	0.50
<b>State</b>	<b>54.4</b>	<b>34.0</b>	<b>44.3</b>	<b>53.2</b>	<b>-9.0</b>	<b>1.04</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-0.01</b>	<b>9.45</b>	<b>4.79</b>

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