



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 5, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 45 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 43 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 53.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Newton to 67.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 75.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Lambert to 88.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. Most of the State received rain, with the highest concentration in the lower delta part of the State with an average of 1.64 inches.

Crop progress for week ending May 5, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, planted	90	75	91	92
Corn, emerged	74	55	79	81
Cotton, planted	11	2	19	24
Cotton, emerged	2	(NA)	3	8
Hay-Cool Season, first cutting	16	10	13	22
Peanuts, planted	12	5	31	21
Peanuts, emerged	3	(NA)	14	6
Rice, planted	47	32	61	69
Rice, emerged	30	18	29	45
Sorghum, planted	18	8	22	37
Sorghum, emerged	6	1	12	23
Soybeans, planted	27	20	50	54
Soybeans, emerged	14	9	28	36
Watermelons, planted	74	65	63	70
Winter wheat, headed	80	51	81	83
Winter wheat, coloring	6	0	3	12

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending May 5, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	0	5	14	81	0
Corn	4	11	53	27	5
Livestock	1	10	32	47	10
Pasture	1	11	33	48	7
Winter wheat	0	4	58	30	8

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Wet conditions have limited fieldwork. We have received considerable rainfall every week for the last five weeks, with major rainfall expected this upcoming week. Planting progress is far behind normal for this time of the year.”

- Anthony Dewayne Bland, Tunica County

“Farmers desperately need dry weather to continue planting and more rain is forecast for the upcoming week.”

- Dr. Patrick Poindexter, Alcorn County

“We had a few good days of fieldwork to end out the week before being washed out on Saturday. The half inch of rain forecasted turned into 3-4 inches. Looks like there will be low productivity this upcoming week with more rain in the forecast.”

- Preston Aust, IV, Humphreys County

“Row crop producers were finally able to get in the field for an extended few days to get much needed fieldwork completed. Numerous acres of corn were terminated and replanted this past week due to previous failed stands from the heavy rainfall we received over the past few weeks.”

- Reid Nevins, Lowndes County

“There was a good week of warm and dry weather. Most farmers are winding down on corn planting and some are beginning to replant. Livestock producers were busy getting fertilizer out on pasture and some hay producers were able to get their first cutting in.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

“Hay producers are ready for first cuttings, but wet conditions are preventing getting in hay fields. We need some extended dry weather.”

- Christy King, Clarke County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending May 5, 2019

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)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	77.3	60.0	68.7	67.1	1.4	2.00	1	1.39	4.23	2.27
Cleveland	80.3	62.3	71.3	67.9	3.4	1.53	2	0.01	8.74	3.74
Lambert	75.6	61.0	68.3	67.7	0.5	1.64	2	0.60	9.13	4.75
Tunica	80.3	64.7	72.5	67.7	4.9	0.16	1	-0.38	2.61	0.97
Extreme/Average	78.4	62.0	70.2	67.6	2.5	1.33	2	0.40	6.18	2.93
North central										
Ashland	80.1	61.6	70.9	(NA)	(NA)	0.68	3	-0.65	6.76	1.69
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	76.1	62.1	69.1	64.7	4.4	2.93	4	1.61	8.43	3.68
University	81.7	61.2	71.4	66.0	5.5	0.05	1	-0.94	6.71	1.86
Extreme/Average	79.3	61.6	70.5	65.4	5.0	1.22	4	0.01	7.30	2.41
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	83.0	63.6	73.3	66.9	6.7	0.20	2	-0.74	7.40	3.18
Verona	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	83.0	63.6	73.3	66.9	6.7	0.20	2	-0.74	7.40	3.18
Lower delta										
Belzoni	80.8	64.6	72.7	69.3	3.4	1.95	3	0.94	7.65	2.90
Moorhead	78.6	63.9	71.2	68.6	2.6	1.33	3	0.12	8.27	3.25
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	79.7	64.2	72.0	68.9	3.0	1.64	3	0.53	7.96	3.08
Central										
Kosciusko	83.0	59.3	71.2	65.9	5.8	0.00	0	-0.47	13.48	9.32
Winona	79.3	57.9	68.6	64.4	4.2	1.85	3	0.53	9.97	5.07
Extreme/Average	81.2	58.6	69.9	65.1	5.0	0.93	3	0.03	11.73	7.20
East central										
Columbus	88.0	64.3	76.2	67.8	8.7	0.00	0	-0.44	2.54	0.16
Macon	79.3	61.7	70.5	66.9	3.6	0.00	0	-0.98	5.11	2.19
Philadelphia	84.8	59.0	71.9	68.0	4.3	0.00	0	-0.58	8.23	3.99
State University	83.9	61.4	72.6	66.9	5.7	2.15	2	1.14	13.38	8.95
Extreme/Average	84.0	61.6	72.8	67.4	5.6	0.54	2	-0.22	7.32	3.82
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	83.4	62.6	73.0	68.0	5.2	0.00	0	-0.80	7.77	3.39
Crystal Springs	82.4	60.4	71.4	70.2	1.5	0.00	0	-0.78	3.04	0.24
Natchez	81.6	62.6	72.1	69.0	3.0	0.31	2	-0.12	6.31	2.90
Vicksburg City	81.9	65.3	73.6	69.1	4.5	2.01	2	0.87	10.63	6.00
Extreme/Average	82.3	62.7	72.5	69.1	3.6	0.58	2	-0.21	6.94	3.13
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	86.0	65.0	75.5	69.9	5.6	1.27	2	0.29	6.99	2.38
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.86	1.02
Extreme/Average	86.0	65.0	75.5	69.5	5.6	1.27	2	0.29	4.42	1.70
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	85.4	62.8	74.1	69.7	4.6	0.00	0	-0.63	8.67	5.25
Laurel	85.1	62.9	74.0	68.9	5.1	0.67	2	-0.16	7.79	3.81
Newton	84.0	53.5	68.8	66.7	2.7	0.00	0	-0.30	8.58	4.58
Extreme/Average	84.8	59.7	72.3	68.5	4.1	0.22	2	-0.36	8.35	4.55
Coastal										
Biloxi	79.7	67.0	73.4	72.3	1.1	0.60	1	-0.40	3.61	-0.47
Poplarville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.85	-0.13
Saucier	81.5	56.5	69.0	71.7	-2.0	0.00	0	-0.31	5.95	2.25
Extreme/Average	80.6	61.8	71.2	71.3	-0.5	0.30	1	-0.35	4.14	0.55
State	82.2	61.9	72.0	67.9	4.2	0.79	2	-0.08	7.45	3.50

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.