



## Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 18, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 24 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 21 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 68.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashland to 79.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Clarksdale. Highs ranged from 90.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Independence to 97.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. Light to moderate precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the coastal part of the State with an average of 3.01 inches.

### Crop progress for week ending August 18, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, dough	95	92	99	99
Corn, dent	87	80	95	93
Corn, mature	56	35	69	71
Corn, harvested	8	1	19	20
Cotton, squaring	98	94	100	100
Cotton, setting bolls	91	82	96	92
Cotton, open bolls	8	3	24	17
Peanuts, pegging	89	81	96	95
Rice, headed	95	91	95	95
Rice, mature	25	9	42	38
Sorghum, headed	93	87	96	95
Sorghum, coloring	38	18	73	72
Sorghum, mature	8	0	20	28
Soybeans, blooming	96	94	98	97
Soybeans, setting pods	87	81	96	91
Soybeans, turning color	10	4	33	34
Soybeans, dropping leaves	2	0	12	13
Watermelons, harvested	94	90	98	97

### Crop condition for week ending August 18, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	0	8	29	55	8
Corn	1	9	41	37	12
Cotton	1	6	40	44	9
Livestock	0	5	32	54	9
Pasture	1	8	36	47	8
Peanuts	0	8	33	56	3
Rice	0	3	26	66	5
Sorghum	1	2	26	58	13
Soybeans	1	6	29	53	11
Sweet potatoes	0	1	41	56	2

### Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“This is the first week with no significant rain in a while. Corn is done and I saw my first open cotton boll. Heat is taking a toll on everything.”

- Steve Winters, Grenada County

“We had a hot dry week and soil moisture is depleted. We need a slow soaking rain. Row crops are rolling leaves by noon to conserve water. Heavy bollworm eggs are being found in some fields but are non-existent in others.”

- Dr. Bill Burdine, Union County

“Corn harvest has begun and will only escalate later in the week. Pest management in cotton and soybeans remain steady as we approach the home stretch of the season.”

- Preston Aust IV, Washington County

“We have had seasonal humid conditions with ample moisture due to scattered thunder showers.”

- Jim McAdory, Winston County

“Really hot and dry right now, which is hurting all crops and will effect yields unless we get some rain this week.”

- James Randall Nevins, Monroe County

“We did not get any substantial rainfall last week. Producers who have irrigation are irrigating soybeans.”

- Crayton Coleman, Noxubee County

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**Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending August 18, 2019**

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm <sup>1</sup>	DFN <sup>2</sup>	One Week	Rain Days	DFN <sup>2</sup>	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN <sup>2</sup>
<b>Upper delta</b>										
Charleston	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	93.0	79.0	86.0	80.7	5.2	0.00	0	-0.09	0.00	-1.03
Cleveland	95.0	74.0	84.5	82.4	2.1	0.52	1	-0.12	2.02	-0.86
Lambert	96.2	72.8	84.5	81.7	2.7	0.00	0	-0.66	3.38	0.39
Tunica	95.3	74.7	85.0	81.4	3.6	0.11	1	-0.16	0.22	-0.48
Extreme/Average	94.9	75.1	85.0	81.3	3.4	0.16	1	-0.26	1.41	-0.49
<b>North central</b>										
Ashland	93.3	68.7	81.0	(NA)	(NA)	1.51	1	0.75	4.12	0.45
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	90.7	70.4	80.6	79.0	1.6	1.65	1	0.92	4.26	0.90
University	96.8	73.2	85.0	80.4	4.6	0.03	1	-0.44	0.93	-2.35
Extreme/Average	93.6	70.8	82.2	79.5	3.1	1.06	1	0.41	3.10	-0.33
<b>Northeast</b>										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	92.4	71.7	82.1	80.9	1.2	0.50	1	-0.39	4.77	1.27
Verona	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	92.4	71.7	82.1	79.7	1.2	0.50	1	-0.39	4.77	1.27
<b>Lower delta</b>										
Belzoni	93.5	73.3	83.4	82.2	1.2	1.48	2	0.82	1.83	-0.94
Moorhead	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	93.5	73.3	83.4	82.0	1.2	1.48	2	0.82	1.83	-0.94
<b>Central</b>										
Kosciusko	91.0	76.0	83.5	79.7	3.7	0.00	0	-0.23	6.66	3.31
Winona	93.6	69.1	81.4	78.7	2.6	0.05	2	-0.80	6.40	2.98
Extreme/Average	92.3	72.5	82.4	79.2	3.2	0.03	2	-0.52	6.53	3.15
<b>East central</b>										
Columbus	97.8	74.4	86.1	81.4	4.6	0.00	0	-0.66	1.50	-0.96
Macon	96.5	71.5	84.0	80.7	3.4	0.00	0	-0.50	1.82	-0.15
Philadelphia	93.8	70.0	81.9	81.5	0.4	0.16	1	-0.81	5.93	1.71
State University	95.3	71.7	83.5	80.6	2.9	0.00	0	-0.96	4.21	0.65
Extreme/Average	95.9	71.9	83.9	81.1	2.8	0.04	1	-0.73	3.37	0.31
<b>Southwest</b>										
Brookhaven City	93.2	73.4	83.3	80.7	2.6	0.10	1	-0.67	0.94	-2.82
Crystal Springs	93.2	73.0	83.1	82.6	0.5	0.00	0	-0.72	6.18	2.90
Natchez	93.6	72.3	82.9	80.7	2.2	0.00	0	-0.97	1.23	-2.57
Vicksburg City	94.6	75.9	85.2	81.7	3.6	1.20	1	0.61	2.85	0.20
Extreme/Average	93.6	73.7	83.6	81.4	2.2	0.33	1	-0.44	2.80	-0.57
<b>South central</b>										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	95.9	74.3	85.1	81.9	3.2	1.45	2	0.40	1.75	-2.15
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.35	-0.42
Extreme/Average	95.9	74.3	85.1	81.5	3.2	1.45	2	0.40	1.55	-1.28
<b>Southeast</b>										
Hattiesburg	94.8	73.7	84.3	81.7	2.5	1.64	2	0.50	3.86	-0.59
Laurel	96.8	72.8	84.8	81.0	3.8	1.69	2	0.63	4.34	0.10
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.23	-1.28
Extreme/Average	95.8	73.2	84.5	80.9	3.2	1.67	2	0.56	2.81	-0.59
<b>Coastal</b>										
Biloxi	92.4	75.1	83.8	82.8	1.0	4.02	3	2.61	7.82	1.86
Poplarville	92.7	71.9	82.3	80.9	1.4	2.73	3	1.51	4.20	-1.12
Saucier	91.8	75.0	83.4	82.3	1.1	2.28	3	1.32	5.23	-1.17
Extreme/Average	92.3	74.0	83.2	82.0	1.2	3.01	3	1.81	5.75	-0.14
<b>State</b>	<b>94.1</b>	<b>73.0</b>	<b>83.5</b>	<b>80.8</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0.91</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.11</b>	<b>3.46</b>	<b>0.11</b>

(NA) Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

<sup>2</sup> Departure from normal.