



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 29, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 30 percent very short, 52 percent short, 18 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 25 percent very short, 54 percent short, 21 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 63.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 72.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 87.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Saucier to 96.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. Sparse precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the central part of the State with an average of 0.53 inch.

Crop progress for week ending September 29, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, mature	100	99	100	100
Corn, harvested	95	91	92	96
Cotton, open bolls	88	77	92	88
Cotton, harvested	23	7	23	18
Peanuts, dug	36	20	39	46
Peanuts, harvested	19	4	27	27
Rice, mature	97	94	100	98
Rice, harvested	79	64	86	80
Sorghum, mature	95	89	99	97
Sorghum, harvested	66	47	71	80
Soybeans, setting pods	100	99	100	100
Soybeans, turning color	93	87	94	93
Soybeans, dropping leaves	80	64	86	84
Soybeans, mature	63	47	76	(NA)
Soybeans, harvested	46	24	50	57
Sweet potatoes, harvested	50	42	26	36
Winter wheat, planted	1	0	4	4

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending September 29, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	1	6	45	46	2
Cotton	1	6	39	45	9
Livestock	0	10	40	45	5
Pasture	6	24	44	25	1
Peanuts	0	15	35	48	2
Sorghum	1	3	21	65	10
Soybeans	1	5	26	53	15
Sweet potatoes	1	3	37	58	1

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“All crops are coming out of the field at a rapid pace. We are working through the heat and dust. Soybeans and some cotton are showing very respectable yields.”

- Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie County

“We had another week with no significant rain. Great harvest conditions, however the heat and lack of moisture is taking a toll on pastures and livestock.”

- Skip Glidewell, Prentiss County

“Summer heat has extended through September. Harvest is coming along with the hot dry weather allowing long hours in the field. Corn is done and beans are winding down just as cotton harvest begins. Lots of field preparations are being done as well.”

- Preston Aust, IV, Washington County

“We are starting week four without rain. Corn harvest has finished and some farmers have begun harvesting cotton. There have been some soybeans harvested as well, but later planted soybeans could use some rain to finish filling pods if it is not too late.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

“With no traceable rain in weeks, we are very dry. Livestock producers are already dipping into their hay stores. We need rain!”

- Christy King, Clarke County

“Extremely dry conditions. No rain has been received in over a month throughout most of the county.”

- Anthony Dewayne Bland, Tunica County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending September 29, 2019

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm ¹	DFN ²	One Week	Rain Days	DFN ²	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN ²
Upper delta										
Charleston	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	92.3	67.7	80.0	70.5	9.5	0.00	0	-0.33	0.15	-0.88
Cleveland	93.6	70.7	82.1	72.0	10.1	0.03	1	-0.92	2.58	-1.18
Lambert	93.6	67.6	80.6	71.0	9.6	0.00	0	-0.76	0.00	-2.69
Tunica	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	70.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	93.2	68.7	80.9	70.8	9.8	0.01	1	-0.67	0.91	-1.58
North central										
Ashland	89.7	64.9	77.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0	-1.03	(NA)	-3.47
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	88.1	66.6	77.4	67.9	9.4	0.00	0	-0.89	0.00	-3.14
University	91.5	66.5	79.0	69.0	9.6	(NA)	0	-0.55	0.08	-2.90
Extreme/Average	89.8	66.0	77.9	68.5	9.5	0.00	0	-0.82	0.04	-3.17
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	68.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	90.0	67.6	78.8	69.5	8.9	0.00	0	-0.66	0.00	-2.98
Verona	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	70.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	90.0	67.6	78.8	68.6	8.9	0.00	0	-0.66	0.00	-2.98
Lower delta										
Belzoni	92.7	71.3	82.0	72.4	9.6	0.00	0	-0.35	0.00	-2.17
Moorhead	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	72.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	72.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	72.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	92.7	71.3	82.0	72.2	9.6	0.00	0	-0.35	0.00	-2.17
Central										
Kosciusko	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	-1.36
Winona	92.1	63.7	77.9	68.6	9.3	0.53	1	-0.38	0.53	-3.10
Extreme/Average	92.1	63.7	77.9	69.0	9.3	0.53	1	-0.38	0.27	-2.23
East central										
Columbus	96.8	70.3	83.6	71.2	12.2	0.00	0	-0.77	(NA)	-1.96
Macon	94.8	68.8	81.8	70.4	11.1	0.00	0	-0.52	0.00	-2.24
Philadelphia	92.2	66.8	79.5	72.0	6.9	0.00	0	-0.41	0.13	-2.49
State University	94.0	69.9	81.9	69.8	12.1	0.00	0	-0.84	0.04	-3.14
Extreme/Average	94.5	68.9	81.7	70.9	10.6	0.00	0	-0.64	0.06	-2.46
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	90.7	67.4	79.1	71.8	7.3	0.00	0	-0.93	0.15	-3.58
Crystal Springs	91.8	67.6	79.7	74.3	5.1	0.00	0	-0.65	(NA)	-2.57
Natchez	90.3	65.7	78.0	72.1	5.9	0.00	0	-0.86	1.92	-1.55
Vicksburg City	92.4	72.6	82.5	72.1	10.4	0.00	0	-0.76	0.00	-3.24
Extreme/Average	91.3	68.3	79.8	72.6	7.2	0.00	0	-0.80	0.69	-2.74
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	71.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	93.1	68.0	80.6	73.7	6.9	0.00	0	-0.77	0.18	-3.37
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	73.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.50	0.38
Extreme/Average	93.1	68.0	80.6	72.8	6.9	0.00	0	-0.77	0.34	-1.50
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	92.8	68.4	80.6	73.7	6.6	0.00	0	-0.67	0.21	-3.70
Laurel	95.4	66.7	81.1	72.2	8.9	0.00	0	-0.75	0.09	-3.04
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	70.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	94.1	67.6	80.8	72.1	7.8	0.00	0	-0.71	0.15	-3.37
Coastal										
Biloxi	89.2	72.8	81.0	76.2	4.7	0.00	0	-1.05	0.43	-4.21
Poplarville	92.9	68.0	80.4	73.2	7.2	0.00	0	-0.87	0.00	-3.62
Saucier	87.0	64.0	75.5	75.5	-0.9	0.00	0	-0.17	0.50	-3.71
Extreme/Average	89.7	68.3	79.0	75.0	3.7	0.00	0	-0.70	0.31	-3.85
State	92.1	67.7	79.9	71.2	8.4	0.07	0	-0.65	0.27	-2.63

(NA) Not available.

¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

² Departure from normal.