



## Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 2.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 29, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 50 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 49 percent adequate, and 50 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 46.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 58.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Vicksburg City. Highs ranged from 64.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Tunica to 77.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Most of the State received significant rain, with the highest concentration in the north central part of the State with an average of 3.27 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending April 29, 2018**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, planted	85	81	98	85
Corn, emerged	66	60	91	69
Cotton, planted	7	1	19	11
Hay-Cool Season, first cutting	7	4	21	15
Peanuts, planted	24	4	12	9
Peanuts, emerged	11	1	4	1
Rice, planted	44	40	82	50
Rice, emerged	14	10	54	32
Sorghum, planted	15	3	53	24
Sorghum, emerged	1	(NA)	40	14
Soybeans, planted	35	30	68	38
Soybeans, emerged	15	9	49	24
Watermelons, planted	53	47	95	58
Winter wheat, headed	76	55	89	67
Winter wheat, coloring	1	(NA)	22	5

(NA) Not available.

**Crop condition for week ending April 29, 2018**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	0	0	10	85	5
Corn	1	3	41	48	7
Livestock	0	3	23	63	11
Pasture	1	6	30	55	8
Winter wheat	0	10	34	49	7

**Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents**

“The weather is looking promising for producers to finally get back into the field this week. There was not much field activity last week due to two inches of rain on top of already wet soils. Corn that has emerged was looking better. I look for soybeans and rice planting to pick up this week; cotton also, if the soil is warm enough.”

- Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie County

“Corn and soybeans planting resumed by the end of the week and should continue for a few more days. Producers will rush to beat the next rains. More planted corn acres were planned, but calendar will soon be forcing them over to soybeans. Meanwhile, pastures are receiving weed control and fertilizer applications.”

- Dr. Bill Burdine, Union County

“Many producers were able to get plantings in before rains came on Sunday. Rains persisted through the week making fields too wet to work in.”

- Tracy Robertson, Carroll County

“Producers took advantage of days without rain last week to resume corn, soybeans, and vegetable crop plantings. Livestock producers began harvesting ryegrass for hay and/or baleage. Many home vegetable gardeners are replanting early seeding that failed due to the extended period of cool and damp weather throughout April. Crop planting and hay harvesting will be in full swing this week based upon weather forecasts.”

- Lamar Adams, Pike County

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**Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending April 29, 2018**

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)	64.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	75.0	51.0	63.0	65.3	-2.7	0.00	0	-0.59	2.84	0.54
Cleveland	72.6	51.6	62.1	66.1	-4.0	0.69	3	-0.61	6.28	1.71
Lambert	70.3	50.7	60.5	65.7	-5.2	1.23	3	0.01	7.89	3.53
Tunica	64.0	52.0	58.0	65.9	-8.2	0.22	1	0.04	0.95	0.04
Extreme/Average	70.5	51.3	60.9	65.5	-5.0	0.54	3	-0.29	4.49	1.46
<b>North central</b>										
Ashland	68.3	48.9	58.6	(NA)	(NA)	4.19	5	2.90	7.88	2.97
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	67.1	48.3	57.7	63.0	-5.3	3.08	4	1.84	7.86	3.37
University	69.0	48.0	58.5	64.1	-5.5	2.54	5	1.44	7.23	2.37
Extreme/Average	68.1	48.4	58.3	63.5	-5.4	3.27	5	2.06	7.66	2.90
<b>Northeast</b>										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	63.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	67.8	53.0	60.4	65.1	-4.4	2.79	3	1.93	4.86	0.80
Verona	68.0	55.0	61.5	64.5	-2.1	1.34	1	1.18	5.74	2.24
Extreme/Average	67.9	54.0	61.0	63.6	-3.3	2.06	3	1.55	5.30	1.52
<b>Lower delta</b>										
Belzoni	70.2	53.4	61.8	67.4	-5.6	0.84	2	-0.08	4.60	0.25
Moorhead	69.6	53.3	61.4	66.8	-5.4	1.21	3	-0.02	5.04	0.03
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	74.6	55.9	65.2	66.6	-1.4	1.40	3	0.17	5.89	0.89
Extreme/Average	71.5	54.2	62.8	67.0	-4.1	1.15	3	0.02	5.18	0.39
<b>Central</b>										
Kosciusko	70.1	52.3	61.2	64.2	-3.0	2.31	2	1.20	7.06	2.08
Winona	68.3	46.9	57.6	62.6	-5.1	3.05	4	1.80	7.14	2.82
Extreme/Average	69.2	49.6	59.4	63.4	-4.1	2.68	4	1.50	7.10	2.45
<b>East central</b>										
Columbus	71.8	55.8	63.8	66.1	-2.2	0.66	1	0.06	2.17	-0.56
Macon	69.2	55.0	62.1	65.1	-2.5	2.17	2	1.39	5.77	2.56
Philadelphia	68.0	54.0	61.0	66.3	-4.9	0.58	1	-0.06	5.50	1.61
State University	71.7	53.3	62.5	65.2	-2.7	2.15	3	1.10	5.93	1.32
Extreme/Average	70.2	54.5	62.3	65.7	-3.1	1.39	3	0.62	4.84	1.23
<b>Southwest</b>										
Brookhaven City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	66.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	5.20	2.58
Crystal Springs	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	68.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Natchez	71.3	49.3	60.3	67.4	-7.2	1.05	2	0.07	5.68	1.44
Vicksburg City	76.7	58.9	67.8	67.3	0.5	1.18	2	0.10	4.11	-0.29
Extreme/Average	74.0	54.1	64.0	67.4	-3.3	1.11	2	0.09	5.00	1.24
<b>South central</b>										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	66.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	74.7	51.3	63.0	68.2	-5.2	0.63	2	-0.40	5.81	0.89
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.35	0.02
Extreme/Average	74.7	51.3	63.0	67.5	-5.2	0.63	2	-0.40	3.08	0.46
<b>Southeast</b>										
Hattiesburg	73.0	52.8	62.9	68.1	-5.0	0.66	2	-0.07	6.33	2.13
Laurel	77.0	52.0	64.5	67.4	-3.3	0.87	3	-0.11	5.17	1.28
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	75.0	52.4	63.7	66.8	-4.1	0.77	3	-0.09	5.75	1.71
<b>Coastal</b>										
Biloxi	77.3	56.0	66.6	70.6	-3.9	0.09	1	-0.88	7.45	3.42
Poplarville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	68.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	5.40	1.82
Saucier	74.5	54.7	64.6	70.1	-5.4	0.61	2	-0.32	14.27	9.83
Extreme/Average	75.9	55.4	65.6	69.6	-4.7	0.35	2	-0.60	9.04	5.02
<b>State</b>	<b>71.8</b>	<b>52.4</b>	<b>62.1</b>	<b>66.0</b>	<b>-4.1</b>	<b>1.46</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>5.75</b>	<b>1.80</b>

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.