



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, July 15, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 8 percent very short, 42 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 9 percent very short, 37 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 62.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Yazoo City to 76.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 85.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Brookhaven City to 95.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Laurel. Most of the State received sporadic rain, with the highest concentration in the south central part of the State with an average of 0.94 inches.

Crop progress for week ending July 15, 2018

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, silked	96	93	98	95
Corn, dough	69	48	78	68
Corn, dent	32	11	46	25
Corn, mature	1	(NA)	2	1
Cotton, squaring	86	73	77	82
Cotton, setting bolls	51	30	36	38
Hay-Cool Season, first cutting	97	96	95	99
Peanuts, emerged	97	94	98	98
Peanuts, pegging	55	30	51	58
Rice, headed	30	19	75	42
Sorghum, headed	48	31	56	56
Sorghum, coloring	2	0	10	8
Soybeans, emerged	100	99	100	99
Soybeans, blooming	88	79	84	72
Soybeans, setting pods	63	50	59	38
Sweet potatoes, planted	93	90	90	97
Watermelons, harvested	58	49	61	53

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending July 15, 2018

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	0	2	8	86	4
Corn	0	2	27	56	15
Cotton	0	3	31	47	19
Livestock	0	4	28	57	11
Pasture	1	8	35	50	6
Peanuts	0	2	20	76	2
Rice	0	0	24	58	18
Sorghum	0	0	16	69	15
Soybeans	0	2	27	54	17
Sweet potatoes	0	1	39	53	7

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Scattered showers are giving some people rain but soils remain dry. Army worms are already being detected in some hay fields.”

- Tracy Robertson, Carroll County

“Spotty rains have provided some much needed moisture over the past week while other areas especially in south Lowndes County continue to struggle from drought conditions.”

- Reid Nevins, Lowndes County

“Popup thunderstorms across the county have given some significant rainfall, but has been sporadic and spotty. Some steady rainfall across the county is needed to maintain current conditions.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County

“Almost all irrigation is set up and in use. This heat has squares hitting the ground in the cotton, but overall, it is holding up pretty well. Pastures in some areas are burning up where some are receiving timely rains.”

- Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie County

“Received some good rains that perked up the crops but hindered hay harvest. Insects are certainly building. Moth flights have laid eggs and worms are being sprayed. Cotton has had great retention but some fruit is being shed now. Feel like we have finally gotten ahead with our weed control.”

- Dr. Bill Burdine, Union County

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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending July 15, 2018

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)	80.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	92.7	73.7	83.2	81.1	2.1	1.70	1	1.33	3.19	0.42
Cleveland	92.1	74.1	83.1	82.1	1.1	0.44	2	-0.44	5.16	1.20
Lambert	91.8	73.2	82.5	82.2	0.3	0.00	0	-0.51	3.16	0.25
Tunica	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.28	-0.44
Extreme/Average	92.2	73.7	82.9	81.7	1.2	0.71	2	0.13	2.95	0.36
North central										
Ashland	89.4	72.0	80.7	(NA)	(NA)	0.12	3	-0.89	3.90	0.02
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	90.7	72.6	81.6	79.5	2.2	0.00	0	-0.99	2.62	-1.42
University	93.4	73.6	83.5	80.9	2.6	0.73	2	-0.19	4.30	0.37
Extreme/Average	91.2	72.7	82.0	79.9	2.4	0.28	3	-0.69	3.61	-0.34
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	88.2	73.6	80.9	81.0	-0.1	0.00	0	-0.67	6.01	2.10
Verona	94.0	73.0	83.5	81.1	2.4	0.15	1	-0.46	5.78	2.31
Extreme/Average	91.1	73.3	82.2	79.9	1.2	0.07	1	-0.57	5.89	2.21
Lower delta										
Belzoni	92.3	74.3	83.3	82.4	1.0	0.01	1	-0.82	0.70	-2.09
Moorhead	89.6	73.4	81.5	82.0	-0.5	0.44	2	-0.47	4.95	1.57
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	82.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	90.0	62.0	76.0	81.4	-5.3	0.15	1	0.03	1.45	-0.36
Extreme/Average	90.6	69.9	80.3	82.0	-1.6	0.20	2	-0.42	2.37	-0.29
Central										
Kosciusko	88.0	72.2	80.1	79.7	0.5	0.41	1	-0.29	3.14	-0.65
Winona	92.7	70.2	81.4	78.8	2.6	1.25	2	0.30	3.42	-0.80
Extreme/Average	90.3	71.2	80.8	79.3	1.5	0.83	2	0.01	3.28	-0.73
East central										
Columbus	93.0	75.3	84.2	81.7	2.5	0.84	3	0.43	2.43	-0.39
Macon	95.0	73.3	84.2	80.8	3.3	0.30	2	-0.18	0.84	-2.21
Philadelphia	90.5	73.5	82.0	81.6	0.5	0.00	0	-0.58	3.74	0.38
State University	94.0	73.3	83.6	81.2	2.4	0.98	2	0.03	5.73	1.94
Extreme/Average	93.1	73.8	83.5	81.3	2.2	0.53	3	-0.07	3.19	-0.07
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	85.0	70.0	77.5	80.7	-3.2	0.14	1	-0.18	1.90	-1.59
Crystal Springs	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Natchez	90.0	71.6	80.8	80.7	0.1	0.41	4	-0.48	2.15	-2.01
Vicksburg City	90.6	72.9	81.7	82.0	-0.3	1.38	3	0.22	4.80	0.39
Extreme/Average	88.5	71.5	80.0	81.3	-1.1	0.64	4	-0.15	2.95	-1.07
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	92.3	73.1	82.7	81.9	0.9	0.78	1	-0.46	10.82	5.69
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.9	(NA)	1.09	2	0.73	1.50	-0.39
Extreme/Average	92.3	73.1	82.7	81.5	0.9	0.94	2	0.13	6.16	2.65
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	91.4	71.0	81.2	81.6	-0.4	0.35	2	-0.60	3.88	-0.56
Laurel	95.8	72.6	84.2	81.2	3.0	0.83	2	0.03	4.39	0.34
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.21	-0.67
Extreme/Average	93.6	71.8	82.7	81.1	1.3	0.59	2	-0.28	3.16	-0.30
Coastal										
Biloxi	90.7	76.6	83.6	82.6	1.0	0.27	2	-1.43	5.04	-2.25
Poplarville	90.2	72.0	81.1	80.9	0.2	1.44	2	0.14	8.66	3.46
Saucier	89.4	71.8	80.6	82.3	-1.7	0.03	1	-1.18	5.27	-0.85
Extreme/Average	90.1	73.5	81.8	81.9	-0.2	0.58	2	-0.82	6.32	0.12
State	91.3	72.3	81.8	80.9	0.8	0.55	2	-0.26	3.84	0.10

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.