



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 6, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 45 percent very short, 24 percent short, 26 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 37 percent very short, 31 percent short, 27 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 60.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Clarksdale to 74.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 87.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Clarksdale to 99.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbus. Sparse precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the southeast part of the State with an average of 0.9 inch.

Crop progress for week ending October 6, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, harvested	98	95	96	98
Cotton, open bolls	93	88	96	93
Cotton, harvested	37	23	38	34
Peanuts, dug	49	36	57	59
Peanuts, harvested	31	19	34	36
Rice, mature	99	97	100	99
Rice, harvested	80	79	91	88
Sorghum, mature	98	95	100	98
Sorghum, harvested	81	66	87	89
Soybeans, turning color	96	93	97	96
Soybeans, dropping leaves	87	80	92	90
Soybeans, mature	78	63	85	(NA)
Soybeans, harvested	58	46	59	69
Sweet potatoes, harvested	55	50	37	46
Winter wheat, planted	3	1	5	7
Winter wheat, emerged	1	(NA)	1	1

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending October 6, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	1	5	54	37	3
Cotton	0	5	35	47	13
Livestock	0	8	42	46	4
Pasture	7	18	48	26	1
Peanuts	0	13	37	48	2
Soybeans	0	4	32	44	20
Sweet potatoes	1	3	31	65	0

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

- “Corn is harvested, soybeans are in the middle of harvest, and cotton is beginning to be harvested. We are in a moderate drought and are in need of rain.”
- John Nanney, Lee County
- “Last week was still extremely dry. Harvest is still moving forward. We did get some rain, which will help things and knock the dust down some.”
- James Randall Nevins, Monroe County
- “It is still very dry with 4 weeks without rain. Pastures and forages are struggling and without some rainfall in the future to help late summer cool season forages, it’s possible that cattle producers may have to start feeding hay sooner than expected. Corn harvest has finished, cotton harvest is in full swing, and some soybeans that are ready are being harvested.”
- BJ McClenton, Clay County
- “The first significant rainfall in the county in over a month fell this last week. One inch in total was recorded, but we are still in a moderate drought situation.”
- Randy H. McKey III, Amite County
- “Hot dry weather continues. Pastures in hills are mostly brown with some areas yellow. Bottomland pastures are faring slightly better. One bright spot would be that weather was good for harvest of row crops which is completed.”
- Allan Keith Whitehead, Franklin County
- “A few minor scattered showers in the area but they were inadequate to address the drought situation. The county is under a burn ban.”
- Amanda Masholie, Lawrence County

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending October 6, 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)	67.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	87.5	60.0	73.8	67.8	6.1	0.0	0	-0.3	0.2	-0.9
Cleveland	96.0	69.4	82.7	69.3	13.4	0.0	0	-0.8	2.6	-1.0
Lambert	97.3	67.3	82.3	68.3	13.9	(NA)	0	-0.8	(NA)	-2.8
Tunica	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	93.6	65.6	79.6	68.1	11.1	0.0	0	-0.6	1.4	-1.6
North central										
Ashland	93.3	62.7	78.0	(NA)	(NA)	0.1	1	-1.0	0.1	-3.7
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	66.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	91.0	63.3	77.1	65.1	12.0	0.0	0	-0.9	0.0	-3.4
University	95.7	64.7	80.2	66.2	14.0	0.4	1	-0.6	0.5	-3.1
Extreme/Average	93.3	63.6	78.5	65.7	13.0	0.2	1	-0.8	0.2	-3.4
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	94.8	67.2	81.0	66.9	14.1	0.0	0	-1.0	0.0	-3.5
Verona	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	94.8	67.2	81.0	65.9	14.1	0.0	0	-1.0	0.0	-3.5
Lower delta										
Belzoni	94.2	69.7	81.9	69.9	12.0	0.0	0	-0.8	0.0	-3.1
Moorhead	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	94.2	69.7	81.9	69.7	12.0	0.0	0	-0.8	0.0	-3.1
Central										
Kosciusko	93.0	69.0	81.0	66.6	14.4	0.7	1	-0.3	0.7	-3.0
Winona	94.4	63.4	78.9	65.8	13.1	0.0	0	-0.9	0.5	-3.1
Extreme/Average	93.7	66.2	80.0	66.2	13.8	0.3	1	-0.6	0.6	-3.0
East central										
Columbus	99.2	71.8	85.5	68.5	16.7	0.0	0	-0.7	0.0	-2.4
Macon	98.0	68.0	83.0	67.7	15.6	0.0	0	-0.5	0.0	-2.3
Philadelphia	93.6	68.3	80.9	69.2	11.7	(NA)	0	-0.9	0.1	-2.9
State University	97.0	69.1	83.1	67.0	16.0	0.0	0	-0.9	0.0	-3.3
Extreme/Average	96.9	69.3	83.1	68.1	15.0	0.0	0	-0.8	0.0	-2.7
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	93.4	69.0	81.2	69.2	12.0	0.4	2	-0.5	0.5	-3.0
Crystal Springs	94.4	67.6	81.0	71.7	8.9	0.3	1	-0.4	0.3	-2.5
Natchez	92.1	67.0	79.6	69.7	9.9	0.1	1	-0.8	2.0	-1.4
Vicksburg City	92.3	69.6	80.9	69.6	11.3	0.1	1	-0.8	0.1	-3.1
Extreme/Average	93.1	68.3	80.7	70.0	10.5	0.2	2	-0.6	0.7	-2.5
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	95.4	69.9	82.6	71.2	11.4	0.7	3	-0.1	0.9	-2.4
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	70.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.5	0.4
Extreme/Average	95.4	69.9	82.6	70.3	11.4	0.7	3	-0.1	0.7	-1.0
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	96.6	69.9	83.2	71.1	12.1	2.3	2	1.4	2.5	-1.5
Laurel	96.8	68.4	82.6	69.6	13.0	0.6	1	0.0	0.7	-2.4
Newton	96.0	65.0	80.5	67.6	11.7	0.0	0	-0.1	0.0	-2.6
Extreme/Average	96.5	67.8	82.1	69.5	12.3	0.9	2	0.4	1.0	-2.1
Coastal										
Biloxi	89.3	74.4	81.9	74.1	7.8	0.0	0	-1.0	0.4	-3.9
Poplarville	94.9	68.9	81.9	70.9	10.9	0.2	1	-0.7	0.2	-3.3
Saucier	92.6	69.7	81.1	73.5	7.6	0.0	0	-1.0	0.5	-4.4
Extreme/Average	92.3	71.0	81.6	72.8	8.8	0.1	1	-0.9	0.4	-3.9
State	94.5	67.8	81.1	68.6	12.3	0.3	1	-0.5	0.5	-2.7

(NA) Not available.
¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.
² Departure from normal.