



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 20, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 15 percent very short, 31 percent short, 49 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 7 percent very short, 41 percent short, 46 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 40.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Clarksdale to 61.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 63.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Winona to 79.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Saucier. Light to heavy precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the southwest part of the State with an average of 3.07 inches.

Crop progress for week ending October 20, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, harvested	100	99	99	100
Cotton, open bolls	98	97	99	98
Cotton, harvested	63	51	69	65
Peanuts, dug	73	60	76	81
Peanuts, harvested	57	42	57	63
Rice, harvested	94	88	95	95
Sorghum, harvested	96	93	100	97
Soybeans, turning color	100	99	100	100
Soybeans, dropping leaves	97	95	98	97
Soybeans, mature	94	86	95	(NA)
Soybeans, harvested	85	75	79	85
Sweet potatoes, harvested	73	65	66	67
Winter wheat, planted	12	7	13	17
Winter wheat, emerged	5	2	4	8

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending October 20, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	1	12	56	29	2
Livestock	1	9	41	41	8
Pasture	3	19	47	28	3
Peanuts	1	13	37	45	4

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

- “Pickers and combines are rolling. Rain last Monday slowed us for about a day and a half. Beef guys are planting ryegrass.”

- Steve Winters, Grenada County
- “We received a surplus amount of rain. Most soybeans have been picked, but still a few fields that are ready for harvest. Most cotton has been harvested and bailed, but there are still some fields that had a late plant where the bowls aren’t all the way open.”

- John Nanney, Lee County
- “We seem to be right on target with our harvest. Cooler weather has helped livestock. We are in desperate need of more moisture for our cool season forages and crops. Recent rains have been appreciated.”

- Brandon Alberson, Tippah County
- “Rains brought harvest to a stop early in the week. Harvest resumed on Friday and we will need some dry days to wrap this season up.”

- Preston Aust, IV, Washington County
- “A week of predominantly dry and cooler weather got crop harvest back in progress. The recent rains and cooler temps have bumped cool season forages into production and helped to green pastures back up.”

- BJ McClenton, Clay County
- “A good rain on Tuesday, October 15th, helped improve conditions.”

- Crayton Coleman, Noxubee County

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending October 20, 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)	62.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	65.0	40.0	52.5	62.9	-10.4	0.00	0	-0.14	0.10	-1.46
Cleveland	68.6	48.1	58.4	64.2	-5.9	0.97	2	-0.04	1.42	-2.17
Lambert	68.3	42.7	55.5	63.5	-8.4	0.22	1	-0.18	1.71	-1.07
Tunica	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	63.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	67.3	43.6	55.5	63.2	-8.2	0.40	2	-0.12	1.08	-1.57
North central										
Ashland	69.4	42.3	55.9	(NA)	(NA)	0.20	1	-0.82	4.86	0.74
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	60.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	68.1	41.6	54.9	60.4	-5.6	0.17	1	-0.81	3.00	-0.71
University	69.8	42.6	56.2	61.5	-5.3	(NA)	0	-0.79	2.09	-1.72
Extreme/Average	69.1	42.2	55.6	61.0	-5.4	0.18	1	-0.81	3.32	-0.56
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	60.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	59.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.10	-1.09
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	60.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	65.8	45.2	55.5	62.5	-7.4	0.00	0	-0.41	2.01	-1.53
Verona	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	65.8	45.2	55.5	61.0	-7.4	0.00	0	-0.41	1.05	-1.31
Lower delta										
Belzoni	67.1	49.7	58.4	65.3	-6.9	2.30	3	1.21	2.56	-1.04
Moorhead	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	67.1	49.7	58.4	65.0	-6.9	2.30	3	1.21	2.56	-1.04
Central										
Kosciusko	65.8	51.2	58.5	61.7	-3.7	1.77	3	1.19	2.56	-0.98
Winona	63.2	43.5	53.4	61.0	-8.1	1.39	3	0.85	3.22	-0.02
Extreme/Average	64.5	47.4	55.9	61.4	-5.9	1.58	3	1.02	2.89	-0.50
East central										
Columbus	71.5	55.5	63.5	63.6	-0.9	0.46	2	0.20	0.88	-1.43
Macon	73.0	48.0	60.5	63.1	-3.4	0.00	0	-0.12	0.01	-1.51
Philadelphia	68.2	52.5	60.4	64.2	-4.3	2.10	2	1.58	3.28	0.28
State University	67.6	49.7	58.6	62.3	-3.7	1.19	3	0.27	3.60	-0.02
Extreme/Average	70.1	51.4	60.8	63.3	-3.1	0.94	3	0.48	1.94	-0.67
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	70.4	55.0	62.7	64.6	-1.9	1.82	3	0.95	3.22	-0.33
Crystal Springs	68.2	54.5	61.4	66.7	-5.8	2.36	2	1.88	2.64	0.34
Natchez	71.8	56.5	64.1	65.4	-1.7	2.78	2	2.13	2.94	-0.27
Vicksburg City	69.0	55.2	62.1	65.4	-3.7	5.34	2	4.68	5.47	2.29
Extreme/Average	69.8	55.3	62.6	65.5	-3.3	3.07	3	2.41	3.57	0.51
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	73.1	57.6	65.4	66.5	-1.2	2.45	2	1.53	3.80	0.54
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.5	(NA)	1.37	1	1.24	1.97	1.73
Extreme/Average	73.1	57.6	65.4	65.5	-1.2	1.91	2	1.39	2.88	1.14
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	72.3	55.3	63.8	66.5	-2.7	3.50	3	2.73	6.38	2.98
Laurel	72.0	52.5	62.3	64.9	-3.0	2.42	3	1.96	3.48	0.96
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	-0.97
Extreme/Average	72.2	53.9	63.0	64.7	-2.8	2.96	3	2.34	3.29	0.99
Coastal										
Biloxi	76.9	61.1	69.0	69.7	-0.7	1.17	3	0.39	2.88	-0.77
Poplarville	74.8	52.8	63.8	66.7	-3.4	0.24	2	-0.29	0.77	-2.35
Saucier	79.0	59.0	69.0	69.4	-0.8	1.22	3	0.75	2.45	-1.10
Extreme/Average	76.9	57.6	67.3	68.6	-1.6	0.88	3	0.28	2.03	-1.41
State	69.5	50.7	60.1	63.9	-4.4	1.59	2	0.94	2.62	-0.30

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