



Mississippi Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, December 8, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 10 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 36 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 8 percent short, 60 percent adequate, and 31 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 30.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Philadelphia to 46.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Biloxi. Highs ranged from 51.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Tupelo to 64.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Columbia. Mild precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration in the upper delta part of the State with an average of 1.04 inches.

Crop progress for week ending December 8, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton, harvested	98	97	98	100
Peanuts, dug	100	97	100	100
Peanuts, harvested	95	89	(NA)	(NA)
Soybeans, harvested	100	99	100	100
Sweet potatoes, harvested	99	98	100	100
Winter wheat, planted	74	69	(NA)	(NA)
Winter wheat, emerged	65	54	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending December 8, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries	1	11	72	14	2
Livestock	1	5	33	53	8
Pasture	6	18	38	34	4
Winter wheat	0	5	46	40	9

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

- “There was not much fieldwork this week. Rye grass did pretty well with the warm temperatures. There are still a few acres to harvest, but that’s going to take sunshine.”  
- Jimbo Burkhalter, Panola and Tallahatchie Counties
- “As of Friday morning, we had 1.2 inches of rain. The creeks are full and the ponds are starting to run over the spillways.”  
- Steve Winters, Grenada County
- “Almost all crops have been harvested. We have been receiving a fair amount of rain, so everything has stayed pretty wet for the last few days.”  
- John Nanney, Lee County
- “Showers of rain and warmer temperatures were seen last week. Colder temperatures and more precipitation are in the upcoming forecast. Ryegrass is growing well with these current temperatures.”  
- Brandon Alberson, Tippah County
- “All fields are harvested. Some areas had to be left due to wet conditions, flooding, or rot. Yield was affected due to weather pattern. Many farmers are not going with a winter crop this year due to adverse conditions. Livestock, pasture, and winter forages are what we are mainly dealing with at this time. What few blueberries our county has are in a holding pattern trying to keep them healthy during winter months.”  
- Vicki Joyce Ganann, Leake County
- “Mild and moist weather is benefiting rye grass production.”  
- Shani Hay, Lauderdale County

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending December 8, 2019

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm <sup>1</sup>	DFN <sup>2</sup>	One Week	Rain Days	DFN <sup>2</sup>	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN <sup>2</sup>
Upper delta										
Charleston	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	45.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Clarksdale	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	45.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	-0.21
Cleveland	56.3	38.0	47.1	46.5	0.6	1.53	2	0.11	4.19	-1.02
Lambert	55.6	37.3	46.4	45.8	0.6	0.54	1	-0.73	4.89	0.20
Tunica	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	46.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	56.0	37.6	46.8	46.0	0.6	1.04	2	-0.31	3.03	-0.34
North central										
Ashland	54.7	33.6	44.1	(NA)	(NA)	0.46	2	-1.03	5.77	0.54
Batesville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	45.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hickory Flat	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	43.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Independence	52.4	34.7	43.6	44.2	-0.7	0.55	1	-0.57	4.25	-0.23
University	56.1	34.0	45.1	45.6	-0.6	0.94	2	-0.68	5.57	0.54
Extreme/Average	54.4	34.1	44.3	44.7	-0.6	0.65	2	-0.76	5.20	0.28
Northeast										
Booneville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	43.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Corinth	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	43.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Fulton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	45.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Tupelo	51.5	33.2	42.4	45.5	-3.6	0.00	0	-0.92	4.33	0.45
Verona	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	46.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	51.5	33.2	42.4	44.8	-3.6	0.00	0	-0.92	4.33	0.45
Lower delta										
Belzoni	58.7	38.7	48.7	48.5	0.3	0.00	0	-0.96	3.77	0.00
Moorhead	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	47.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Rolling Fork	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	48.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Yazoo City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	48.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	58.7	38.7	48.7	48.4	0.3	0.00	0	-0.96	3.77	0.00
Central										
Kosciusko	59.8	35.2	47.5	46.6	0.8	0.45	1	-0.79	3.59	-1.22
Winona	54.9	31.6	43.2	46.0	-2.8	0.68	1	-0.76	4.34	-0.50
Extreme/Average	57.3	33.4	45.4	46.3	-1.0	0.57	1	-0.78	3.96	-0.86
East central										
Columbus	57.8	36.0	46.9	48.1	-1.1	0.00	0	-0.69	2.59	-0.88
Macon	62.8	36.2	49.5	47.5	2.1	0.48	1	-0.34	1.13	-0.78
Philadelphia	59.5	30.8	45.1	49.9	-5.2	(NA)	0	-0.74	2.24	-2.27
State University	58.9	37.7	48.3	47.2	1.1	0.57	1	-0.73	4.48	-0.35
Extreme/Average	59.8	35.2	47.5	48.2	-0.8	0.35	1	-0.62	2.61	-1.07
Southwest										
Brookhaven City	61.7	38.0	49.9	50.5	-0.7	0.00	0	-1.36	2.12	-1.63
Crystal Springs	62.6	34.0	48.3	51.9	-3.8	0.00	0	-0.75	0.80	-1.70
Natchez	62.1	37.4	49.8	51.5	-1.7	0.10	1	-1.41	3.98	-1.23
Vicksburg City	59.1	39.9	49.5	49.3	0.2	0.20	1	-1.35	3.27	-2.07
Extreme/Average	61.4	37.3	49.4	50.8	-1.5	0.08	1	-1.22	2.54	-1.66
South central										
Collins	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	50.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Columbia	64.3	38.1	51.2	52.0	-0.7	0.02	1	-1.22	2.06	-2.36
Monticello	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	51.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.32	1.15
Extreme/Average	64.3	38.1	51.2	51.4	-0.7	0.02	1	-1.22	1.69	-0.60
Southeast										
Hattiesburg	63.4	41.4	52.4	52.2	0.2	0.01	1	-1.23	1.22	-3.64
Laurel	64.0	33.3	48.6	50.7	-2.1	0.33	1	-0.89	0.43	-2.61
Newton	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	48.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.38	-1.11
Extreme/Average	63.7	37.3	50.5	50.4	-1.0	0.17	1	-1.06	1.34	-2.45
Coastal										
Biloxi	62.6	46.0	54.3	55.7	-1.4	0.00	0	-1.07	0.84	-3.69
Poplarville	62.7	39.3	51.0	52.7	-1.7	0.02	1	-1.16	2.09	-2.19
Saucier	62.4	37.8	50.1	56.1	-6.3	0.00	0	-0.89	1.16	-3.24
Extreme/Average	62.6	41.0	51.8	54.9	-3.1	0.01	1	-1.04	1.36	-3.04
State	59.3	36.4	47.9	48.6	-1.1	0.28	1	-0.91	2.96	-1.01

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