MISSISSIPPI

WEEKLY WEATHER CROP REPORT

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CROP SUMMARY: There were 2.3 days suitable for fieldwork last week compared to 6.3 days last year and 4.8 days for the 5-year average. Soil moisture was rated 6% short, 44% adequate, 47% surplus, and 3% excessive. Pasture was rated 83% of normal. The main farm activity was harvesting for most crops.

Crop Progress In Percentages					Crop Conditions in Percentages				
Crop	Event	This Year	1992	5-Yr Avg	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN	Harvested	93	95	93	4	15	65	15	1
COTTON	Open Bolls	100	100	99	4	57	38	1	
	Harvested	65	68	74					
RICE	Mature	100	100	100		8	37	55	
	Harvested	86	99	95					
SORGHUM	Harvested	95	100	97		18	75	7	
SOYBEANS	Coloring	99	100	99		5	88	7	
	Shedding	83	94	94					
	Harvested	42	53	46					
SWEETPOTATOES	Harvested	78	81	85		8	33	50	9
WHEAT	Planted	42	47	49		3	43	54	
	Emerged	26	30	28					
PECANS	Harvested	16	22	15	7	21	50	22	
LIVESTOCK							15	74	11

COUNTY AGENT COMMENTS

Calhoun "Cotton, corn, and soybean yields are disappointing due to hot dry weather in July and August."

Tate "Rain has put a stop to all crop harvest. Cotton yields are very erratic."

Chickasaw "Rain was a blessing and a curse. Farmers with winter grazing already planted needed the moisture, but crop harvest needed more dry weather."

Hinds "Rain was welcomed by cattle farmers and winter grazing. The rain will prolong the cotton harvest season."

Perry "We received over one and one half inches of much needed rain. It was greatly appreciated by commercial vegetable producers."

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WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 10/17/93 TO 10/23/93 FOR MISSISSIPPI

DISTRICT/ STATION	AIR TEMPERATURE MAX	MIN	AVE	NORM	DFN	PRECIPITATION ONE WEEK	DFN	RAIN DAYS	FOUR WEEKS	4 INCH SOIL TEMPERATURE MAX	MIN	AVE	EVAP AVE
1. UPPER DELTA													
TUNICA	79	39	63	60	3.2	2.28	1.54	4	2.70	79	58	69	MMM
CLARKSDALE	81	44	65	62	3.2	2.45	1.79	4	3.61	76	52	67	.13
CLEVELAND	84	40	64	63	1.9	2.06	1.35	4	3.52				
EXTREME/AVERAGE	84	39	64	62	2.8	2.26	1.56	4	3.28	79	52	68	.13
2. NORTH-CENTRAL													
MEMPHIS	80	43	66	62	4.9	1.26	.60	5	1.64				
HOLLY SPRINGS	80	33	63	58	4.6	1.65	.86	4	2.48	75	50	67	.09
OXFORD	81	33	62	59	3.1	2.28	1.49	5	3.73				
EXTREME/AVERAGE	81	33	64	60	4.2	1.73	.98	5	2.62	75	50	67	.09
3. NORTHEAST													
CORINTH	80	33	62	59	3.1	1.95	1.24	5	3.05				
IUKA	78	32	62	59	3.5	1.25	.49	3	2.86				
BOONEVILLE	77	38	63	59	3.7	1.53	.77	5	3.18				
PONTOTOC	79	39	64	60	4.6	2.22	1.51	4	4.18	75	54	67	MMM
TUPELO	80	38	66	61	5.4	1.56	.79	4	2.24				
VERONA	82	38	65	61	4.5	1.32	.55	7	3.54	78	52	68	.09
EXTREME/AVERAGE	82	32	64	60	4.1	1.64	.89	5	3.17	78	52	68	.09
4. LOWER DELTA													
STONEVILLE	87	41	66	62	4.2	1.73	1.01	5	3.87	76	52	67	.14
GREENWOOD	87	40	69	63	6.5	2.70	1.87	3	4.91				
BELZONI	82	41	65	62	2.7	2.59	1.73	4	3.92	78	53	68	
ROLLING FORK	88	43	67	62	4.7	.40	-.42	1	.44	80	56	70	.05
YAZOO CITY	88	41	69	64	5.2	2.09	1.19	4	2.96				
EXTREME/AVERAGE	88	40	67	63	4.7	1.90	1.08	3	3.22	80	52	68	.09
5. CENTRAL													
WINONA	84	40	66	59	6.4	1.78	1.03	3	2.73				
CARTHAGE	87	42	69	62	7.3	.64	-.13	2	1.74				
JACKSON	85	45	68	63	5.2	.76	.04	2	2.28				
EXTREME/AVERAGE	87	40	68	61	6.3	1.06	.31	2	2.25				
6. EAST-CENTRAL													
STATE UNIVERSITY	84	41	68	62	6.0	.85	.15	2	1.22	77	55	68	.06
COLUMBUS	85	42	69	61	7.9	.84	.12	3	1.26				
BROOKSVILLE	85	43	67	61	5.7	.58	-.09	3	.72				
EXTREME/AVERAGE	85	41	68	61	6.5	.76	.06	3	1.07	77	55	68	.06
7. SOUTHWEST													
VICKSBURG	86	42	69	65	4.4	.82	-.04	2	3.50				
OAKLEY	89	43	68	62	6.1	1.40	.67	2	2.83	86	60	72	
CRYSTAL SPRINGS	82	44	66	61	4.2	1.02	.29	2	4.07	83	55	71	
ALCORN				62		MMMMM	MMMMM	M	MMMMM				
NATCHEZ	86	46	67	66	1.3	1.43	.57	3	3.80				
EXTREME/AVERAGE	89	42	68	63	4.0	1.17	.37	2	3.55	86	55	72	
8. SOUTH-CENTRAL													
MC COMB	89	45	71	64	6.3	1.13	.42	4	2.33				
COLUMBIA	89	48	71	64	6.3	1.64	1.00	3	2.65				
EXTREME/AVERAGE	89	45	71	64	6.3	1.39	.71	4	2.49				
9. SOUTHEAST													
NEWTON	86	44	68	61	6.7	1.08	.34	2	3.78	77	53	68	.10
MERIDIAN	87	47	70	63	7.1	2.34	1.66	2	3.83				
LAUREL	89	49	70	63	6.4	.68	.05	2	2.20				
HATTIESBURG	87	50	71	64	6.9	.20	-.51	3	1.55				
BEAUMONT	90	48	69	64	5.6	.36	-.21	2	.97	MMM	MMM	MMM	
EXTREME/AVERAGE	90	44	70	63	6.5	.93	.27	2	2.47	77	53	68	.10
10. COASTAL													
POPLARVILLE	88	44	70	66	4.5	.41	-.33	3	1.87	89	61	77	.11
BAY ST. LOUIS	87	53	72	66	6.2	.95	.45	3	3.99				
GULFPORT	84	53	70	68	2.1	.56	-.07	2	3.95				
BILOXI	84	55	72	68	4.0	.29	-.41	2	6.02				
PASCAGOULA	84	54	70	67	2.9	.10	-.60	1	1.32				
EXTREME/AVERAGE	88	44	71	67	3.9	.46	-.19	2	3.43	89	61	77	.11
STATE SUMMARY													
AVERAGES			67	62	4.8	1.31	.58		2.86			69	.10

MAXIMUM SOIL TEMPERATURE 89 AT POPLARVILLE ON 10/20/93
MINIMUM SOIL TEMPERATURE 50 AT HOLLY SPRINGS ON 10/23/93
DFN = DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL M = MISSING

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