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General

Hot and dry conditions were prevalent throughout most of the week. There were some widely scattered showers concentrated mostly in northeast and southwest portions of the state. The week ended with hot, humid conditions. There were 7.0 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 11% very short, 46% short, 42% adequate and 1% surplus.

Crops

Half of the corn crop was in good condition with one-third of the crop silked. There were several reports of farmers irrigating the corn crop and applying fertilizer. Soybean planting was 91% complete with 81% of the crop emerged. The crop was in mostly fair to good condition. The sorghum crop remained in mostly fair to good condition. Cotton emerged was nearly complete with over one-third of the crop squared. Warm and dry conditions accelerated the squaring stage on cotton above its normal rate. The crop remained in mostly fair to good condition. Farmers continued to flood and apply nitrogen to the rice crop. The crop condition was fair to mostly good. Farmers took advantage of the ideal wheat harvesting conditions with three-fourths of the harvest reported complete. Farmers continued to burn off the stalks from harvested fields to prepare land for soybean planting.

Livestock

Livestock were in good condition. Farmers continued to harvest hay and treat cattle for horn flies. Forage growth has stalled due to lack of soil moisture in some areas. Also, hay yields were lower than expected in the dryer areas. Despite dry conditions, hay and pasture conditions remained fair to mostly good. Alfalfa hay conditions were mostly good.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2005	5 Year Avg
Corn	Silked	33	7	16	9
Cotton	Emerged	99	97	100	97
	Squared	34	4	26	27
Rice	Headed	0	0	0	0
Sorghum	Headed	0	0	0	1
Soybeans	Planted	91	85	89	79
	Emerged	81	72	80	68
Wheat	Harvested	75	27	32	33

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	2	28	50	20
Cotton	1	11	44	36	8
Rice	0	7	27	51	15
Sorghum	1	9	48	36	6
Soybeans	3	10	41	36	10
Wheat	1	6	16	50	27
Hay-Other	0	6	38	51	5
Hay-Alfalfa	0	0	67	30	3
Pasture & Range	0	9	38	47	6

Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending June 11, 2006

District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal	Wk Ending June 11	June	June	Jan - May	
						Accum	Normal	2006	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	89	56	1	1.06	1.97	2.59	15.29	18.72
	Harrison	91	57	2	0.18	0.62	2.26	29.80	19.21
N. Central	Calico Rock	92	55	2	0.00	0.25	1.94	22.28	20.29
	Gilbert	92	57	0	0.08	0.73	2.22	22.06	19.61
	Greers Ferry	93	58	2	0.05	0.38	1.97	27.99	22.74
	Mtn. Home	91	60	3	0.02	0.40	2.06	20.84	19.81
Northeast	Batesville	94	58	2	0.00	0.95	1.82	25.49	21.55
	Jonesboro	97	58	3	0.00	0.05	1.78	20.82	22.02
	Keiser	96	60	2	0.00	0.14	2.12	22.26	23.58
	Newport	96	62	3	0.00	0.28	1.88	27.55	22.11
W. Central	Booneville	93	60	-1	0.99	1.46	2.22	16.68	21.13
	Clarksville	92	61	2	1.05	1.70	2.17	18.97	20.57
	Dardanelle	93	63	3	1.01	1.37	2.28	20.76	21.50
	Ft. Smith	95	64	2	1.24	2.27	2.24	21.25	18.71
	Mena	91	60	1	0.69	1.64	2.59	18.22	24.82
	Ozark	92	63	2	1.47	2.35	2.02	24.76	19.34
Central	Conway	94	60	0	0.17	0.60	2.18	26.22	21.52
	Hot Springs	96	60	1	1.62	3.14	2.60	20.78	25.49
	Little Rock	96	63	2	0.07	0.15	2.01	25.18	23.18
	N. Little Rock	94	63	1	0.08	0.29	0.00	24.74	22.77
E. Central	Brinkley	95	63	1	0.00	2.00	2.16	26.56	24.17
	Marianna	94	60	1	0.00	0.08	2.17	25.23	25.04
	Stuttgart	96	64	2	0.06	0.55	2.03	24.87	23.54
Southwest	Hope	93	62	2	1.01	2.12	2.26	17.01	23.57
	Texarkana	94	66	0	1.57	2.24	2.12	15.52	18.96
	Camden	97	59	2	0.09	0.17	2.24	14.38	23.73
S. Central	El Dorado	94	62	0	0.27	0.59	2.52	22.38	24.94
	Warren	93	61	1	0.00	0.37	2.09	23.05	25.94
Southeast	Eudora	98	61	1	0.00	0.63	2.07	28.98	29.22
	Pine Bluff	94	64	1	0.04	0.09	1.88	22.88	24.16
	Rohwer	93	64	1	0.00	0.33	1.87	28.50	25.17

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