

Arkansas

Crop Progress and Condition



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Reporting for the week ending November 18, 2007.

General

Light rain fell during the middle portion of last week in some parts of the state. The only stations reporting more than one inch of precipitation during the week were Eudora, Keiser, and Conway measuring 1.06 inches, 1.08 inches, and 1.30 inches, respectively. The West Central and Southwest sections of Arkansas received practically no rain. Temperatures were well above normal, as highs ranged from 82 to 73 degrees Fahrenheit and lows ranged from 37 to 20 degrees Fahrenheit. Topsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 29 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 8 percent very short, 29 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. On average, there were 6.6 days suitable for field work last week.

Crop

Within the past seven days, winter wheat producers planted an additional 15 percent of the crop, bringing total acres planted up to 90 percent, which was eight percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. By the end of the week, 65 percent of the winter wheat crop had emerged and was rated at 63 percent good to excellent, a drop of 10 percentage points from the previous week in this same category. Last week marked the end of cotton harvest in Arkansas, and finished 9 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average and last year's pace. Soybean harvest was nearing completion with 96 percent of the crop harvested, six points ahead of the 5-year average.

Livestock

Throughout the week, livestock producers worked cattle, sold calves and culled cows. Livestock was rated in mostly good condition last week.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2006	5-Year Avg
Cotton	Harvested	100	98	91	91
Soybeans	Harvested	96	89	94	90
Winter Wheat	Planted	90	75	86	82
	Emerged	65	52	76	69

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	0	1	36	52	11

Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending November 18, 2007

District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal *	Wk Ending Nov. 18	4 wk	4 wk	Year to Date	
						Accum	Normal	2007	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	74	25	11	0.07	0.74	4.10	31.98	42.05
	Harrison	77	26	11	0.06	0.86	4.22	27.88	40.57
N. Central	Calico Rock	82	21	8	0.05	1.35	4.16	30.21	40.82
	Gilbert	80	20	8	0.00	1.15	4.30	37.77	39.80
	Greers Ferry	79	28	7	0.00	2.11	5.03	41.35	44.82
	Mtn. Home	79	28	9	0.15	1.27	4.23	33.56	38.93
Northeast	Batesville	79	26	8	0.19	2.32	4.69	47.12	42.08
	Jonesboro	73	31	8	0.83	2.93	4.40	39.17	40.68
	Keiser	75	32	6	1.08	5.51	4.00	35.16	43.88
	Newport	78	30	6	0.13	1.82	4.59	36.50	42.57
W. Central	Booneville	80	27	7	0.00	0.67	4.34	34.38	42.48
	Clarksville	78	30	9	0.00	0.55	4.39	35.66	41.50
	Dardanelle	81	27	8	0.00	0.57	4.72	37.43	43.21
	Ft. Smith	80	30	8	0.00	0.43	4.32	42.01	39.64
	Mena	76	27	8	0.00	0.65	5.40	50.48	52.22
	Ozark	77	31	9	0.00	0.60	4.40	42.16	40.20
Central	Conway	80	31	7	1.30	2.41	4.51	39.53	42.62
	Hot Springs	77	29	7	0.01	1.32	5.63	45.41	51.17
	Little Rock	79	33	9	0.17	1.92	4.95	37.68	44.75
	N. Little Rock	78	37	6	0.35	2.18	4.83	39.61	43.20
E. Central	Brinkley	79	30	8	0.25	2.30	4.07	36.37	43.44
	Marianna	79	29	8	0.15	2.17	4.42	31.28	46.14
	Stuttgart	81	30	5	0.12	2.28	4.33	37.80	42.65
Southwest	Hope	81	25	8	0.00	0.64	5.14	45.90	48.01
	Texarkana	81	32	8	0.01	0.49	4.51	42.74	41.23
S. Central	Camden	81	28	7	0.00	0.87	4.62	48.50	46.78
	El Dorado	81	29	8	0.12	1.26	4.38	45.95	48.49
	Warren	80	28	8	0.25	1.32	4.65	41.89	48.87
Southeast	Eudora	81	30	5	1.06	3.87	4.56	44.49	49.46
	Pine Bluff	79	31	7	0.22	1.54	4.39	41.48	45.86
	Rohwer	80	29	5	0.22	1.85	4.40	35.65	44.90

* Departure from normal = $\frac{\text{high} - \text{low}}{2}$ - 30 year average.

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