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Reporting for the week ending December 3, 2006.

Message From The Editor

This is the final Weather and Crop Progress Release for 2006. We will resume this report in early April 2007. We would like to give special thanks to our County Agents and the National Weather Service for their ongoing participation.

General

Last week, high temperatures in Arkansas ranged from 71 to 78 degrees Fahrenheit while low temperatures ranged from 17 to 28 degrees Fahrenheit. On average, there were 4.0 days suitable for field work. Rainfall in Arkansas ranged from 0.41 in Eudora to 5.62 in Mtn. Home. State average soil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 7 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 30 percent surplus.

Crops

Last week, dry weather conditions during the beginning of the week allowed producers to catch up on soybean and cotton harvest which were both ahead of the 5-year average. Winter wheat planting was nearing completion and winter wheat emergence reached 91 percent, five percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. Other farm activities last week included fall fertilization, herbicide applications, and harvest of this year's pecan crop.

Livestock

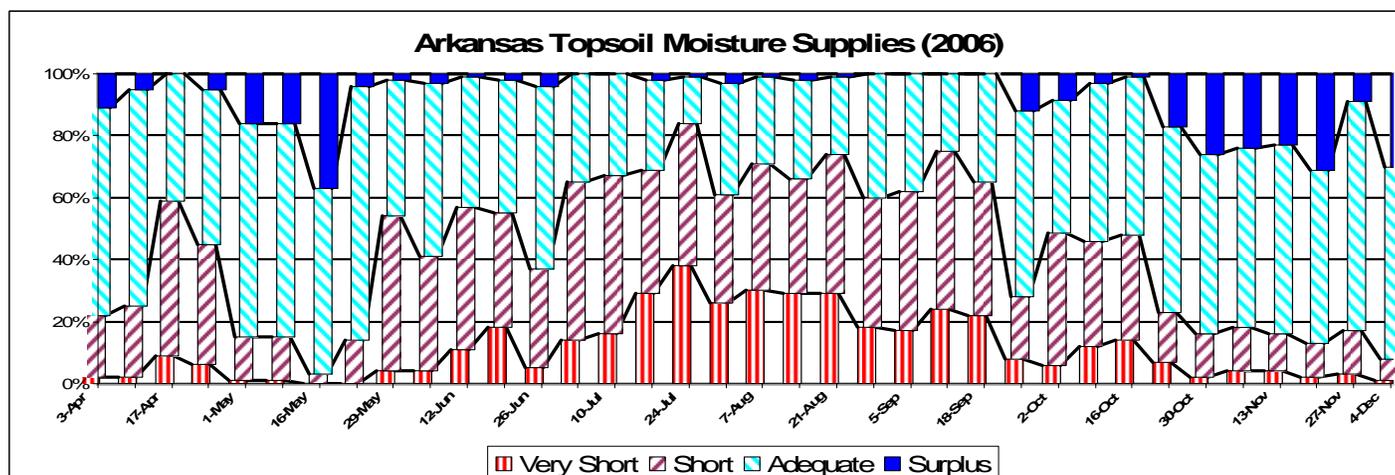
Producers continued feeding hay and working cattle last week, along with selling calves and preparing feed for the winter.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2005	5-Year Avg
Cotton	Harvested	99	97	98	98
Soybeans	Harvested	99	98	100	97
Winter Wheat	Planted	97	94	100	95
	Emerged	91	86	93	86

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	0	6	29	53	12



Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending December 3, 2006

District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal	Wk Ending Dec. 3	Dec.	Dec.	Jan - November	
						Accum	Normal	2006	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	72	17	2	3.90	3.90	1.00	40.34	43.38
	Harrison	72	17	2	4.99	4.99	1.09	46.99	42.02
N. Central	Calico Rock	71	20	1	3.86	3.86	1.14	55.55	42.44
	Gilbert	72	20	1	5.60	5.60	1.16	47.08	41.33
	Greers Ferry	71	23	3	2.51	2.51	1.34	46.92	46.83
	Mtn. Home	71	19	3	5.62	5.62	1.20	49.47	41.64
Northeast	Batesville	72	23	5	2.55	2.55	1.24	48.01	44.02
	Jonesboro	71	23	5	0.79	0.79	1.15	48.01	42.49
	Keiser	73	26	4	0.91	0.91	1.17	51.55	45.55
	Newport	73	24	2	1.44	1.44	1.29	47.58	44.48
W. Central	Booneville	74	20	1	4.75	4.75	1.16	42.82	44.06
	Clarksville	73	20	3	4.50	4.50	1.19	42.10	43.10
	Dardanelle	73	21	3	2.16	2.16	1.19	41.35	44.78
	Ft. Smith	78	24	6	4.24	4.24	1.02	44.46	41.00
	Mena	71	19	2	2.97	2.97	1.33	42.69	54.05
	Ozark	74	19	2	5.35	5.35	1.13	52.01	41.67
Central	Conway	74	23	4	2.30	2.30	1.26	46.67	44.31
	Hot Springs	75	18	0	2.04	2.04	1.42	43.48	52.87
	Little Rock	75	26	6	1.30	1.30	1.29	42.44	46.63
	N. Little Rock	74	24	4	1.53	1.53	1.29	41.72	41.72
E. Central	Brinkley	72	24	2	1.70	1.70	1.12	49.02	45.13
	Marianna	71	26	4	0.86	0.86	1.27	40.04	47.91
	Stuttgart	75	25	2	0.97	0.97	1.21	40.99	44.46
Southwest	Hope	75	24	3	0.92	0.92	1.35	31.85	49.81
	Texarkana	76	25	4	0.63	0.63	1.26	27.86	42.03
	Camden	77	26	3	1.29	1.29	1.22	30.67	48.31
S. Central	El Dorado	76	25	4	0.70	0.70	1.12	38.79	49.79
	Warren	75	24	2	0.62	0.62	1.26	39.81	50.56
Southeast	Eudora	77	28	3	0.41	0.41	1.33	48.32	51.48
	Pine Bluff	76	27	5	0.99	0.99	1.21	40.04	47.58
	Rohwer	75	26	4	0.80	0.80	1.33	41.79	46.76

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