



## Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition

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Reporting for the week ending April 22, 2012.

### General

On average, farmers had 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 10 percent short, 80 percent adequate and 8 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 9 percent short, 81 percent adequate and 9 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 33 degrees Fahrenheit at Fayetteville to 50 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. Highs ranged from 75 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 83 degrees Fahrenheit at Fort Smith. Most of the state received less than an inch of precipitation.

### Crops

Producers had 97 percent of the corn crop planted, 13 percent ahead of last year and 19 percent ahead of the five-year average. Corn emergence was at 89 percent, 30 percent ahead of 2011 and 34 percent ahead of the five-year average. Producers had 9 percent of the cotton crop planted, 5 percent ahead of 2011 and 2 percent ahead of the five-year average. Cotton emergence was at 5 percent, 4 percent ahead of 2011 and the five-year average. Producers had 86 percent of the rice crop planted, 45 percent ahead of 2011 and 43 percent ahead of the 5-year average. Rice emergence was at 62 percent, 32 percent ahead of 2011 and 46 percent ahead of the five-year average. Sorghum planting was at 89 percent, 38 percent ahead of 2011 and 44 percent ahead of the five-year average. Sorghum emergence was at 68 percent, 40 percent ahead of 2011 and 46 percent ahead of the five-year average. Producers had 28 percent of the soybean crop planted, 15 percent ahead of 2011 and 17 percent ahead of the five-year average. Soybean emergence was at 16 percent, 10 percent ahead of 2011 and 12 percent ahead of the five-year average. The winter wheat crop was 100 percent headed, 32 percent ahead of last year and 49 percent ahead of the five-year average. Winter wheat was mostly fair to good condition. Producers continued to apply herbicides and insecticides. Armyworms continued to damage wheat and forages with some movement into other crops.

### Livestock

Livestock were in good condition. Pasture and range condition was mostly fair to good.

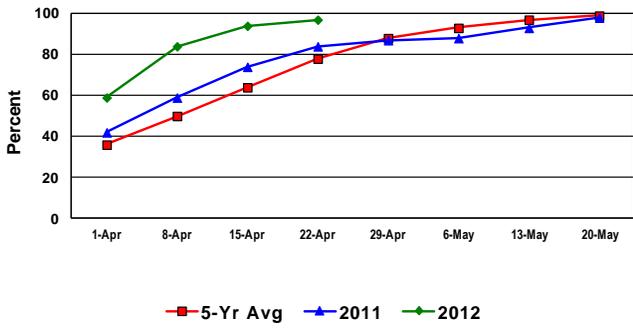
#### Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2011	5-Year Avg
Corn	Planted	97	94	84	78
	Emerged	89	76	59	55
Cotton	Planted	9	7	4	7
	Emerged	5	2	1	1
Rice	Planted	86	75	41	43
	Emerged	62	30	30	16
Sorghum	Planted	89	78	51	45
	Emerged	68	47	28	22
Soybeans	Planted	28	19	13	11
	Emerged	16	7	6	4
Winter Wheat	Headed	100	93	68	51

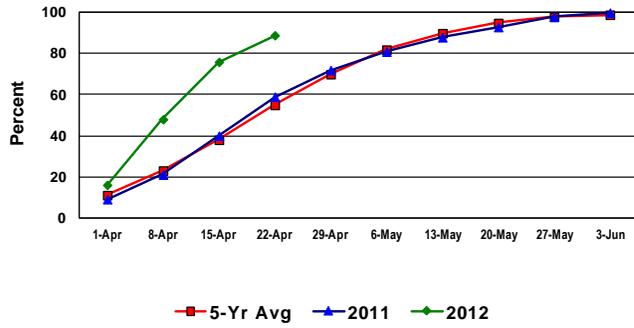
#### Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	6	31	47	16
Rice	2	4	30	54	10
Sorghum	0	1	39	51	9
Winter Wheat	1	7	40	41	11
Hay-Alfalfa	0	0	27	62	11
Hay-Other	0	3	26	64	7
Pasture and Range	0	5	27	61	7

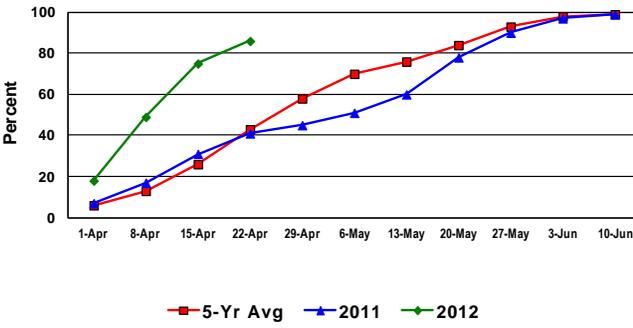
### Corn Planted



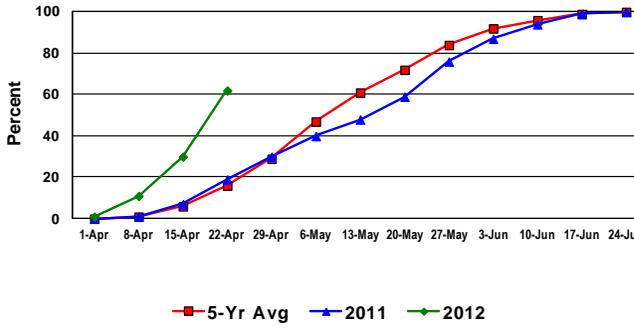
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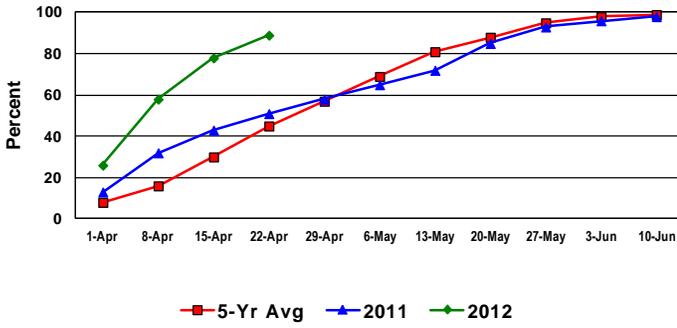
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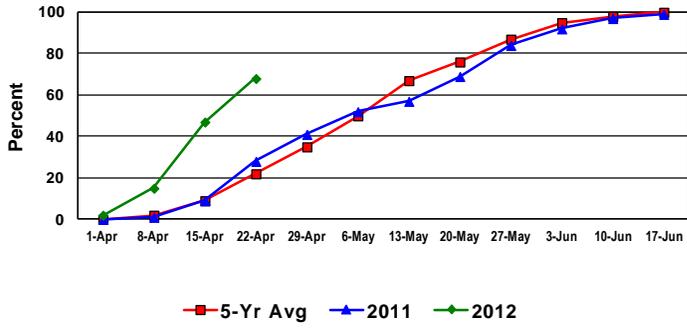
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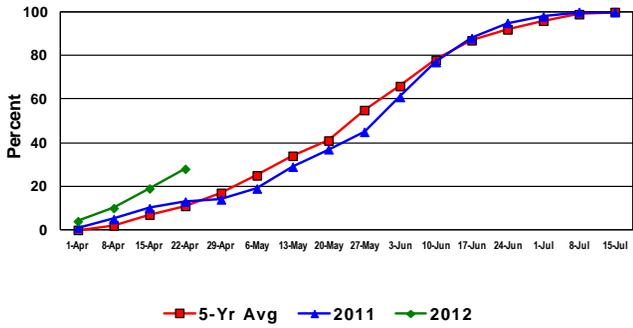
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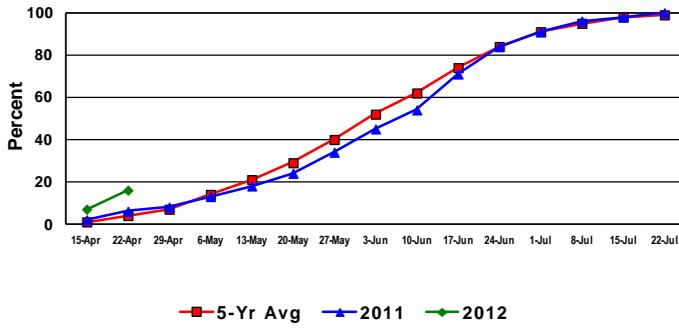
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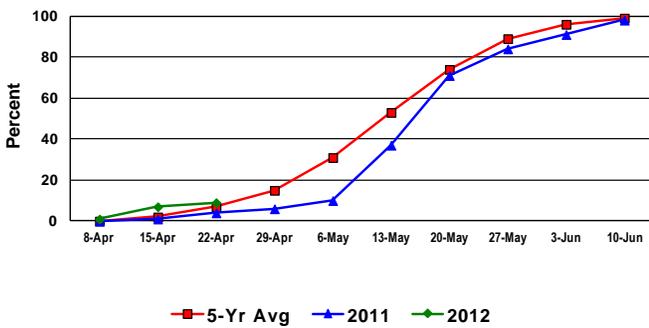
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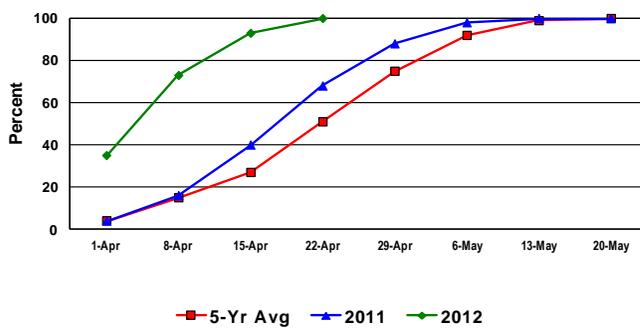
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### Cotton Planted



### Winter Wheat Headed



**Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending April 22, 2012**

District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal *	Wk Ending	4 wk	4 wk	Year-to-Date	
					Apr 22	Accum	Normal	2012	Normal
<b>Northwest</b>	Fayetteville	76	33	-2	0.11	1.31	4.11	10.31	12.84
	Harrison	78	37	-2	0.10	1.28	3.83	12.54	11.92
<b>N. Central</b>	Calico Rock	75	39	-1	0.10	1.00	4.36	15.70	14.33
	Gilbert	79	35	-4	0.16	1.29	4.14	14.89	14.19
	Greers Ferry	78	45	-2	0.12	0.97	4.29	16.38	15.16
	Mtn. Home	77	39	-3	0.24	1.62	4.38	18.10	14.34
<b>Northeast</b>	Batesville	77	43	-2	0.12	0.99	4.09	12.06	14.13
	Blytheville	79	39	-2	0.10	0.64	4.45	7.82	15.78
	Jonesboro	78	44	-2	0.11	1.21	4.45	10.37	15.07
	Keiser	80	43	-1	0.50	1.31	4.41	8.92	15.98
	Newport	76	46	-2	0.34	1.78	4.42	13.87	15.16
<b>W. Central</b>	Booneville	80	38	-3	0.10	1.64	3.84	17.41	14.15
	Clarksville	79	42	-2	0.21	3.63	4.28	17.20	14.38
	Dardanelle	80	41	-2	0.05	2.30	4.62	16.15	15.02
	Ft. Smith	83	43	0	0.31	2.30	3.84	16.98	12.35
	Mena	76	42	-2	0.32	2.81	4.83	22.01	16.38
	Ozark	80	39	-3	0.18	2.70	3.41	12.00	13.63
<b>Central</b>	Conway	77	43	-1	0.36	1.95	4.55	16.66	15.68
	Hot Springs	78	45	-2	0.70	2.12	4.78	16.66	16.76
	Little Rock	80	47	-1	1.07	2.76	4.66	17.39	15.46
	Morrilton	80	40	-3	0.18	2.55	4.19	19.36	15.05
	N. Little Rock	79	47	-1	0.68	1.87	4.38	16.34	15.17
<b>E. Central</b>	Brinkley	77	40	-4	0.00	1.70	4.41	13.17	15.52
	Marianna	78	43	-3	0.54	1.16	4.68	13.23	16.57
	Stuttgart	76	47	-3	0.61	2.20	4.76	11.07	16.36
	West Memphis	78	41	-2	0.24	1.84	4.56	13.57	17.00
<b>Southwest</b>	DeQueen	78	38	-2	0.65	2.22	3.72	13.05	14.12
	Hope	77	44	-3	0.70	3.09	4.13	17.90	16.65
	Texarkana	79	46	-2	0.63	3.90	3.55	15.05	14.23
<b>S. Central</b>	Camden	80	45	-2	0.44	3.70	4.07	18.31	16.64
	El Dorado	78	43	-3	0.84	4.41	3.83	18.39	16.67
	Fordyce**	79	43	-1	0.41	4.53	4.38	13.67	9.21
<b>Southeast</b>	Eudora	81	50	-1	0.53	5.52	5.05	17.09	19.62
	Monticello	79	46	-1	0.62	3.71	4.46	13.63	18.16
	Pine Bluff	79	44	-3	1.57	3.64	4.61	14.02	16.71
	Rohwer	77	45	-3	0.53	3.00	4.29	12.41	17.39

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

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\*\* Fordyce station added in March of 2012. Year-to-date rainfall totals will cover the period March 2012 – November 2012.