



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Week Ending September 7, 2014

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 7, 2014. Topsoil moisture supplies were 7 percent very short, 44 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 43 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 62.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Mammoth Spring to 73.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. Highs ranged from 81.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 92.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. The precipitation for this week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the northwest region of the state with an average of 2.01 inches.

Crop progress for week ending September 7, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dent	100	99	99	100
Corn, mature	97	92	89	95
Corn, harvested	36	19	40	65
Cotton, open bolls	50	21	40	55
Rice, mature	61	44	48	67
Rice, harvested	16	5	10	30
Sorghum, coloring	99	98	97	99
Sorghum, mature	84	69	57	82
Sorghum, harvested	30	15	17	52
Soybeans, turning color	50	39	31	38
Soybeans, dropping leaves	32	20	13	22
Soybeans, mature	24	12	8	14
Soybeans, harvested	5	-	4	9

Crop condition for week ending September 7, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	0	7	21	48	24
Cotton	0	5	21	49	25
Hay, alfalfa	5	10	39	45	1
Hay, other	3	12	36	43	6
Livestock	1	2	21	67	9
Pasture	2	14	31	45	8
Rice	1	6	28	46	19
Sorghum	1	5	20	48	26
Soybeans	2	10	26	42	20

Comments from Extension Agents

“Harvesting corn, rice, sorghum, and hay. Spraying some forage and hay for armyworms. Terminated irrigation on cotton and early soybeans. Irrigating late soybeans.”

-Andy Vangilder, Clay County

“Draining rice fields, harvesting corn and rice, cutting hay, and preparing fields for wheat planting.”

-Jeff Welch, Lonoke County

“Scattered rainfall hampered corn and rice harvest. A few storms were severe with corn lodging and rice shattering occurring. Soybeans progressed well toward maturity and irrigation termination. Sorghum harvest continued around rainfall. First bolls of cotton began to open. Hay continued to be baled.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Rainfall was scattered over the county. Some areas received 3.0 inches and other parts none. This has slowed harvesting of crops. Many producers are cutting corn at high moisture and drying it down in their grain bins. Hearing of some good corn and grain sorghum yields. Rice and soybean harvest is starting. Were hoping by end of month that cotton defoliation will begin. Cotton looks much better now with good boll load.”

-Mitch Crow, Saint Francis County

“Hot weather returned this week, but stock and forages doing well thanks to a few rain showers. Producers are now worried about cut hay getting rained on before harvest.”

-Robin Bridges, Union County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending September 7, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	81.6	63.9	72.7	73.2	-0.5	0.94	4	NA	1.95	NA
Winslow	82.1	65.4	73.8	NA	NA	3.09	4	NA	3.79	NA
Extreme/Average	81.8	64.7	73.3	73.2	-0.5	2.01	4	NA	2.87	NA
North Central										
Calico Rock	85.0	64.3	74.7	73.1	1.8	0.24	2	-0.54	2.69	-0.04
Evening Shade	88.5	66.5	77.5	75.6	1.7	0.13	2	-0.55	1.82	-0.75
Mammoth Spring	86.6	62.0	74.3	73.0	1.2	0.27	2	-0.56	1.17	-1.67
Mtn Home	85.6	66.3	75.9	75.2	0.7	1.22	3	0.25	2.68	-0.48
Mtn View	88.6	67.0	77.8	75.4	2.4	0.21	2	-0.64	1.58	-1.71
Extreme/Average	86.9	65.2	76.0	74.5	1.6	0.41	3	-0.41	1.99	-0.93
Northeast										
Corning	88.4	69.4	78.9	75.7	3.3	0.05	1	-0.62	0.47	-1.93
Jonesboro	91.1	70.3	80.7	75.7	5.1	0.40	2	-0.20	1.90	-0.35
Keiser	91.0	71.9	81.4	77.3	4.1	0.03	1	-0.56	1.13	-0.92
Newport	87.9	69.4	78.6	76.8	1.9	0.31	3	-0.35	0.90	-1.48
Pocahontas	91.0	67.1	79.1	74.7	4.4	0.20	1	-0.58	1.41	-1.53
Searcy	90.4	70.6	80.5	77.1	3.4	0.46	1	-0.26	1.65	-0.81
Extreme/Average	90.0	69.8	79.9	76.2	3.7	0.24	3	-0.43	1.24	-1.17
West Central										
Dardanelle	91.1	69.1	80.1	77.9	2.3	0.51	1	NA	0.61	NA
Mena	87.0	69.4	78.2	75.0	3.2	0.16	2	-0.81	2.76	0.10
Subiaco	87.0	67.7	77.4	76.8	0.5	1.01	2	0.14	1.29	-1.66
Waldron	87.9	68.9	78.4	75.3	3.0	0.59	2	-0.34	2.38	-0.57
Extreme/Average	88.3	68.8	78.5	76.3	2.3	0.57	2	-0.34	1.76	-0.71
Central										
Alum Fork	86.7	69.3	78.0	75.9	2.1	0.13	2	-0.80	1.70	-1.24
Cabot	91.1	68.7	79.9	77.4	2.5	0.14	1	-0.62	0.74	-1.58
Conway	89.1	70.6	79.9	77.1	2.8	0.35	1	-0.32	2.57	-0.03
Hot Springs	89.1	71.7	80.4	78.4	2.1	1.20	4	0.29	1.85	-0.99
Morrilton	89.9	70.1	80.0	76.5	3.5	0.66	2	-0.06	2.67	0.12
Extreme/Average	89.2	70.1	79.6	77.1	2.6	0.50	4	-0.30	1.91	-0.74
East Central										
Brinkley	88.4	71.8	80.1	77.1	2.7	1.30	1	0.90	1.30	-0.49
Des Arc	88.4	72.4	80.4	77.9	2.5	0.44	1	-0.20	2.24	0.04
Keo	87.7	70.3	79.0	77.2	1.8	0.12	1	-0.50	0.96	-0.96
Stuttgart	86.9	72.0	79.4	77.7	1.7	0.28	1	-0.23	1.37	-0.53
West Memphis	90.3	71.3	80.8	77.9	2.9	0.18	4	-0.48	1.19	-1.34
Extreme/Average	88.3	71.6	80.0	77.6	2.3	0.46	4	-0.10	1.41	-0.66
Southwest										
Ashdown	91.9	66.0	78.9	NA	NA	0.20	2	-0.63	0.92	-1.63
Murfreesboro	89.3	69.0	79.1	75.9	3.2	0.08	2	-0.76	1.45	-1.46
Nashville	92.3	72.0	82.1	79.6	2.6	0.03	1	-0.77	2.89	0.31
Extreme/Average	91.2	69.0	80.1	77.8	2.9	0.10	2	-0.72	1.75	-0.93
South Central										
Camden	90.6	68.7	79.6	77.9	1.7	1.05	4	0.29	4.00	1.53
Fordyce	88.9	70.3	79.6	76.7	2.9	0.62	3	-0.05	4.78	2.43
Sparkman	88.6	70.6	79.6	77.1	2.5	0.64	4	0.00	2.07	-0.24
Extreme/Average	89.4	69.9	79.6	77.2	2.4	0.77	4	0.08	3.62	1.24
Southeast										
Crossett	89.6	68.7	79.1	77.6	1.5	0.94	3	0.10	3.33	0.04
Eudora	92.8	73.6	83.2	80.3	2.7	0.53	1	-0.04	8.00	5.16
Pine Bluff	90.4	71.3	80.9	78.7	2.2	0.14	2	-0.55	1.98	-0.60
Portland	88.1	70.7	79.4	78.4	1.0	2.62	5	1.96	7.03	4.49
Rohwer	89.3	71.4	80.4	78.3	2.1	0.96	4	0.41	6.76	4.65
Extreme/Average	90.0	71.1	80.6	78.7	1.9	1.04	5	0.38	5.42	2.75
State	88.4	69.0	78.7	76.5	2.2	0.64	3	-0.21	2.34	-0.20

DFN = Departure from Normal.

Normal= Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.

NA = Not Available.