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Week Ending August 30, 2015

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 30, 2015**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 44 percent short, 45 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 11 percent very short, 33 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 52.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Evening Shade to 66.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashdown. Highs ranged from 78.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 91.3 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 0.80 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 30, 2015

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dent	100	98	99	99
Corn, mature	93	81	90	91
Corn, harvested	44	25	17	47
Cotton, open bolls	21	15	20	37
Peanuts, dug	2	0	NA	NA
Rice, headed	99	97	97	97
Rice, mature	66	46	41	55
Rice, harvested	16	6	4	16
Sorghum, coloring	97	95	98	97
Sorghum, mature	78	62	66	70
Sorghum, harvested	36	19	13	36
Soybeans, blooming	100	98	100	100
Soybeans, setting pods	96	92	97	97
Soybeans, turning color	49	42	37	31
Soybeans, dropping leaves	19	12	19	16
Soybeans, mature	13	5	11	10
Soybeans, harvested	5	1	0	4

Crop condition for week ending August 30, 2015

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	6	3	25	50	16
Cotton	4	2	16	44	34
Hay, alfalfa	1	6	68	24	1
Hay, other	3	18	41	32	6
Livestock	2	3	32	56	7
Pasture	4	16	34	39	7
Peanuts	2	4	44	47	3
Rice	4	6	23	50	17
Sorghum	2	3	20	55	20
Soybeans	5	6	27	48	14

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Producers are harvesting quality bermuda hay. Some hay has been harvested in defense of armyworm infestations. A few fields have been sprayed for armyworms. Winter annuals are being planted.”

-Carroll Prewett, Izard County

“Rice and corn harvest have begun. Milo harvest will begin next week. Many rice fields are being drained while soybeans are receiving irrigation.”

-Allen Davis, Greene County

“Scouting rice for stink bugs, scouting soybeans for loopers, and sample soil.”

-Hank Chaney, Faulkner County

“Grain sorghum yields have been somewhat disappointing. Corn yields are acceptable. Rice and soybean harvest is just beginning.”

-Russ Parker, Crittenden County

“Armyworms are still sporadic in the county. People are preparing to plant winter annuals.”

-Dana Stringfellow, Sevier County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 30, 2015

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	78.3	54.3	66.3	75.7	-9.4	0.39	2	NA	4.57	NA
Lead Hill	83.0	58.7	70.8	74.6	-3.8	1.68	3	1.09	4.24	1.57
Winslow	78.7	62.7	70.7	NA	NA	0.32	1	NA	4.89	NA
Extreme/Average	80.0	58.6	69.3	75.2	-6.6	0.80	3	1.09	4.57	1.57
North Central										
Calico Rock	80.6	54.3	67.4	75.3	-7.9	0.35	1	-0.29	2.10	-0.60
Evening Shade	82.6	52.7	67.6	77.9	-10.2	0.01	1	-0.62	3.57	1.00
Gilbert	82.0	54.3	68.1	76.9	-8.8	0.65	2	0.05	2.37	-0.13
Mammoth Spring	81.6	54.6	68.1	75.4	-7.3	0.00	0	-0.69	3.02	0.36
Mountain Home	81.3	58.9	70.1	77.5	-7.4	0.38	3	-0.42	3.32	0.45
Mountain View	84.0	56.7	70.4	77.6	-7.2	0.14	1	-0.66	1.80	-1.64
Extreme/Average	82.0	55.3	68.6	76.8	-8.1	0.26	3	-0.44	2.70	-0.09
Northeast										
Corning	81.6	58.6	70.1	77.8	-7.7	0.09	1	-0.47	4.30	1.84
Jonesboro	82.7	58.4	70.6	77.8	-7.3	0.04	1	-0.49	4.95	2.40
Keiser	84.0	57.6	70.8	79.3	-8.7	0.00	0	-0.32	7.25	5.27
Newport	81.9	61.3	71.6	78.9	-7.3	0.03	1	-0.55	6.65	4.36
Pocahontas	83.7	59.9	71.8	76.9	-5.1	0.00	0	-0.73	3.28	0.40
Searcy	85.3	61.7	73.5	79.2	-5.8	0.00	0	-0.50	3.03	0.88
Extreme/Average	83.2	59.6	71.4	78.3	-7.0	0.03	1	-0.51	4.91	2.53
West Central										
Dardanelle	85.3	62.9	74.1	80.0	-5.9	0.00	0	NA	3.50	NA
Mena	84.6	61.3	72.9	77.0	-4.1	0.19	3	-0.38	3.76	1.37
Subiaco	83.7	61.6	72.6	79.0	-6.3	0.40	1	-0.18	4.86	2.18
Waldron	85.6	61.9	73.7	77.6	-3.8	0.78	1	0.12	2.95	0.25
Extreme/Average	84.8	61.9	73.3	78.4	-5.0	0.34	3	-0.15	3.77	1.27
Central										
Alum Fork	82.9	61.3	72.1	77.8	-5.7	0.04	1	-0.65	2.82	0.07
Cabot	89.0	58.0	73.5	79.4	-6.0	0.05	1	-0.53	2.16	-0.12
Conway	87.6	61.1	74.4	79.3	-4.9	0.50	2	-0.13	2.33	-0.32
Hot Springs	84.9	65.7	75.3	80.5	-5.2	0.03	1	-0.62	2.28	-0.40
Morrilton	85.3	59.7	72.5	78.6	-6.1	0.07	3	-0.55	2.89	0.48
Extreme/Average	85.9	61.2	73.5	79.1	-5.6	0.14	3	-0.50	2.50	-0.06
East Central										
Brinkley	82.2	62.6	72.4	79.0	-6.8	0.50	1	0.18	2.50	0.65
Des Arc	85.5	63.0	74.3	80.0	-5.6	0.00	0	-0.54	1.41	-0.76
Keo	85.0	61.5	73.3	79.1	-5.8	0.00	0	-0.39	1.08	-0.60
Extreme/Average	84.2	62.4	73.3	79.3	-6.1	0.17	1	-0.25	1.66	-0.24
Southwest										
Ashdown	87.5	66.3	76.9	NA	NA	0.19	2	-0.30	0.81	-1.44
Dequeen	85.4	64.6	75.0	80.1	-5.3	0.14	1	-0.24	1.58	-0.39
Hope	87.1	62.9	75.0	80.0	-5.0	0.18	2	-0.55	2.36	-0.38
Murfreesboro	84.1	61.6	72.9	77.8	-4.9	0.39	1	-0.31	4.22	1.67
Nashville	86.9	64.3	75.6	81.4	-5.8	0.86	2	0.25	3.41	0.90
Extreme/Average	86.2	63.9	75.1	79.8	-5.3	0.35	2	-0.23	2.48	0.07
South Central										
Camden	87.3	63.3	75.3	79.9	-4.6	0.35	2	-0.21	2.78	0.38
Fordyce	86.3	61.9	74.1	78.7	-4.6	0.07	1	-0.47	1.85	-0.59
Extreme/Average	86.8	62.6	74.7	79.3	-4.6	0.21	2	-0.34	2.31	-0.10
Southeast										
Crossett	90.6	61.3	75.9	79.3	-3.4	0.00	0	-0.82	0.80	-2.46
Eudora	91.3	63.4	77.4	81.9	-4.6	0.00	0	-0.73	1.63	-1.47
Portland	88.4	65.0	76.7	80.1	-3.4	0.02	1	-0.56	1.88	0.18
Rohwer	85.4	63.7	74.6	80.0	-5.5	0.09	1	-0.38	1.61	-0.62
Extreme/Average	88.9	63.3	76.1	80.4	-4.2	0.03	1	-0.62	1.48	-1.09
State	84.6	61.0	72.8	78.5	-5.9	0.24	2	-0.24	2.98	0.50

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.