



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition

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Reporting for the week ending April 21, 2013

General

On average, farmers had 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 36 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 7 percent short, 70 percent adequate and 22 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 30 degrees Fahrenheit at Gilbert to 44 degrees Fahrenheit at Marianna. Highs ranged from 82 degrees Fahrenheit at Fayetteville to 89 degrees Fahrenheit at Fort Smith. Precipitation on Thursday covered the whole state. Most areas received from half an inch to over 2 inches of rain.

Crops

Producers had 61 percent of the corn crop planted, 36 percent behind last year and 15 percent below the five-year average. Corn emergence was at 36 percent, 51 percent behind 2012 and 17 percent below the five-year average. Producers had planted 1 percent of the cotton crop last week, 17 percent behind 2012 and 8 percent below the five-year average. Producers had 23 percent of the rice crop planted, 61 percent behind 2012 and 25 percent below the 5-year average. Rice emergence was at 4 percent, 53 percent behind 2012 and 18 percent below the five-year average. Sorghum planting was at 18 percent, 69 percent behind last year and 30 percent below the five-year average. Sorghum emergence was at 4 percent, 61 percent behind 2012 and 23 percent below the five-year average. Producers had planted 4 percent of the soybean crop last week, 23 percent behind 2012 and 10 percent below the five-year average. The winter wheat crop was 21 percent headed by week's end, 78 percent behind last year and 30 percent behind the five-year average. Winter wheat was in mainly good condition. Major farming activities included prepping fields and planting row crops. Most field work was halted at the end of the week due to significant precipitation. Cooler temperatures have slowed row crop emergence.

Livestock

Livestock were in fair to good condition last week. Producers were grazing cattle. Pasture and range condition were reported in mostly fair condition last week. Forages continued moderate growth with the help of precipitation, but the cool temperatures hampered warm season forage growth. Producers continued spraying their pastures. Hay condition was mostly fair to good.

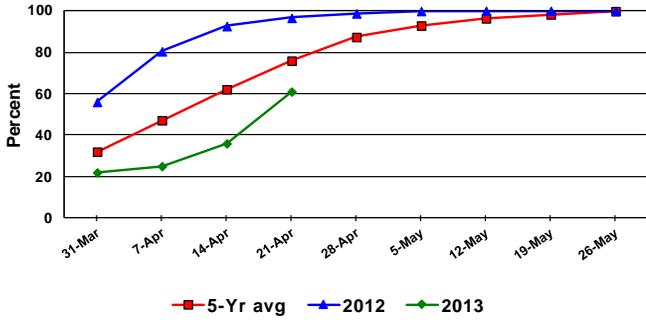
Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2012	5-Year Avg
Corn	Planted	61	36	97	76
	Emerged	36	16	87	53
Cotton	Planted	1	0	18	9
Rice	Planted	23	9	84	48
	Emerged	4	1	57	22
Sorghum	Planted	18	6	87	48
	Emerged	4	1	65	27
Soybeans	Planted	4	1	27	14
Winter Wheat	Headed	21	6	99	51

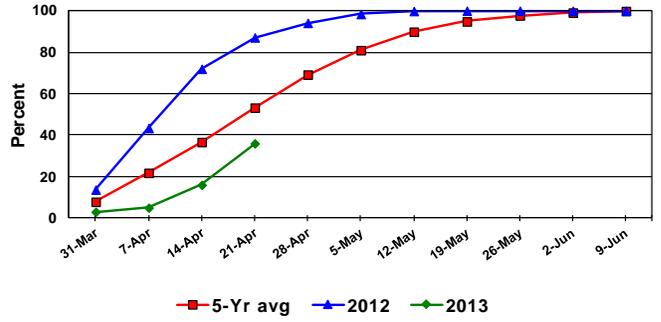
Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	5	3	34	49	9
Hay-Alfalfa	8	1	29	62	0
Hay-Other	3	6	45	44	2
Pasture and Range	3	8	42	39	8

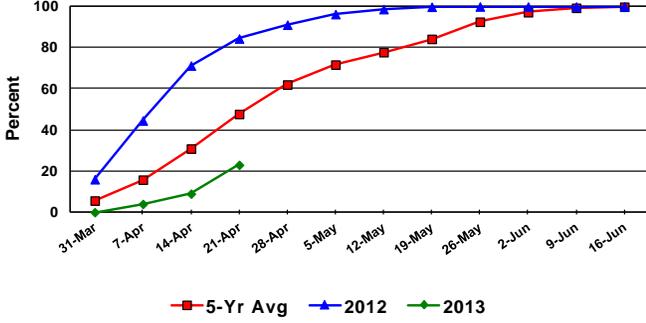
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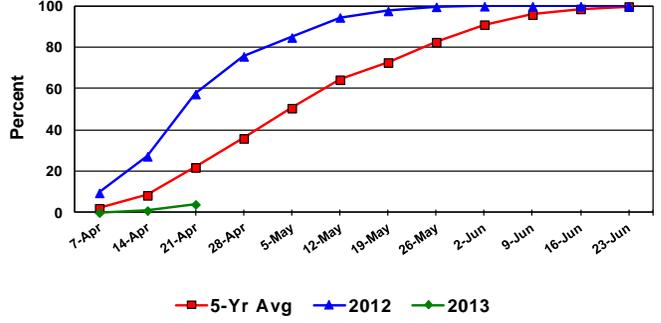
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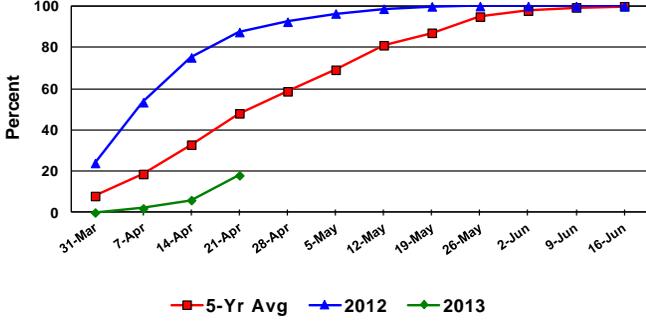
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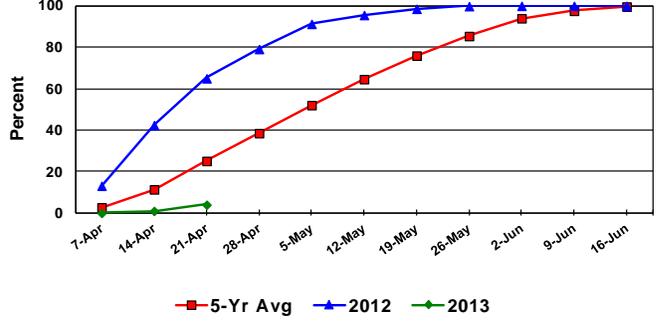
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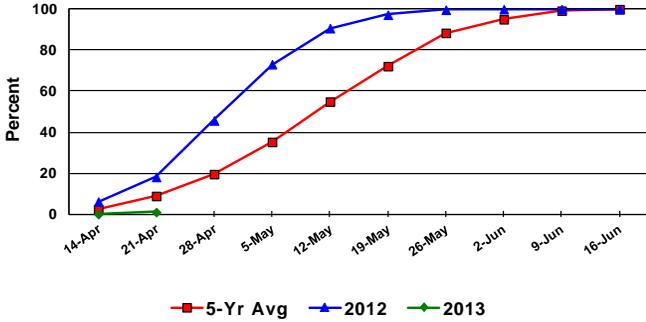
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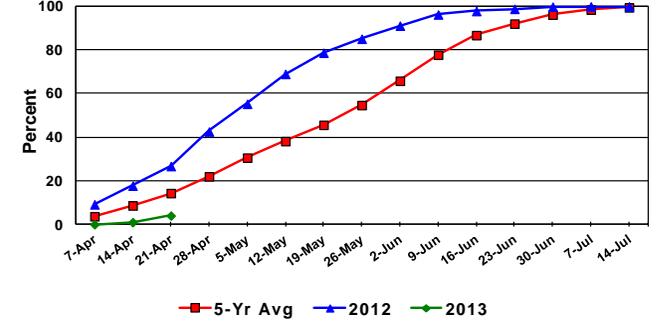
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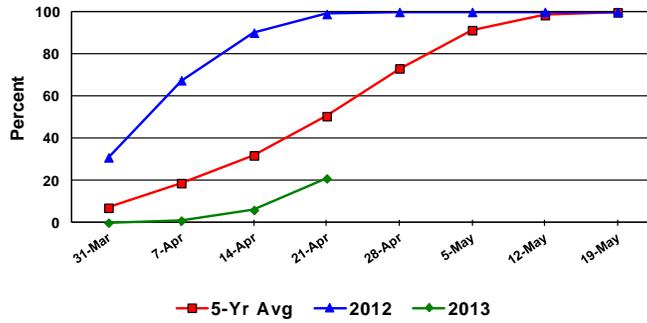
Cotton Planted



Soybeans Planted



Winter Wheat Headed



Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending April 21, 2013

District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal *	Wk Ending Apr 21	4 wk	4 wk	Year-to-Date	
						Accum	Normal	2013	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	82	33	3	1.64	5.59	4.08	15.11	12.86
	Harrison	84	36	3	0.76	1.83	3.79	11.59	11.92
N. Central	Calico Rock	87	31	2	1.50	5.46	4.35	20.29	14.39
	Gilbert	84	30	3	1.00	2.97	4.14	15.83	14.24
	Greers Ferry	86	39	6	1.07	2.95	4.27	17.09	15.23
	Mtn. Home	85	35	2	1.08	2.43	4.38	15.57	14.40
Northeast	Batesville	88	35	1	1.03	3.63	4.07	17.49	14.23
	Blytheville	86	39	3	1.86	5.05	4.43	18.75	15.87
	Jonesboro	85	36	3	1.82	4.03	4.44	16.18	15.12
	Keiser	87	43	7	1.97	7.44	4.40	22.26	16.11
	Newport	83	37	1	1.41	4.94	4.42	17.53	15.27
W. Central	Booneville	87	34	2	0.71	4.85	3.82	17.61	14.20
	Clarksville	86	36	2	1.48	3.97	4.26	15.98	14.41
	Dardanelle	87	34	3	0.42	4.90	4.60	20.28	15.06
	Ft. Smith	89	38	4	0.74	3.51	3.82	15.34	12.40
	Mena	83	32	2	0.78	6.15	4.79	21.23	16.45
	Ozark	87	34	4	0.82	2.61	3.42	15.41	13.77
Central	Conway	86	37	3	1.24	4.64	4.57	16.44	15.81
	Hot Springs	86	39	3	1.21	4.45	4.79	15.47	16.88
	Little Rock	88	38	3	1.04	5.09	4.63	18.48	15.54
	Morrilton	87	32	3	1.13	4.93	4.17	18.22	15.12
	N. Little Rock	88	38	2	0.98	6.48	4.36	19.22	15.25
E. Central	Brinkley	84	42	4	1.77	6.93	4.38	21.71	15.65
	Marianna	84	44	4	1.84	6.61	4.68	23.38	16.71
	Stuttgart	84	43	6	2.00	8.24	4.74	22.09	16.47
	West Memphis	85	39	3	1.84	5.47	4.51	21.95	17.09
Southwest	DeQueen	87	34	3	0.45	2.13	3.76	7.19	14.26
	Hope	87	36	5	1.24	4.02	4.11	14.79	16.77
	Texarkana	86	37	2	0.95	3.64	3.55	11.12	14.38
S. Central	Camden	88	35	1	1.05	5.49	4.10	19.67	16.83
	El Dorado	87	36	2	1.28	5.31	3.84	14.96	16.82
	Fordyce	88	35	3	1.20	5.59	4.40	20.11	17.72
Southeast	Eudora	87	41	5	2.30	7.93	5.00	29.30	19.76
	Monticello	88	39	3	1.16	6.10	4.45	24.52	18.31
	Pine Bluff	87	40	2	1.52	6.28	4.61	18.97	16.80
	Rohwer	84	41	1	1.25	6.20	4.26	25.27	17.59

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

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