



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, May 4, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 6 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 25 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 10 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 39.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Mammoth Spring to 58.3 degrees Fahrenheit at De Queen. Highs ranged from 63.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 79.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. The precipitation for this week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the northeast and north central.

Crop progress for week ending May 4, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, planted	84	74	84	92
Corn, emerged	66	39	69	82
Cotton, planted	17	5	5	29
Cotton, emerged	6	2	2	13
Rice, planted	64	47	47	69
Rice, emerged	41	20	23	49
Sorghum, planted	48	36	47	70
Sorghum, emerged	21	9	25	53
Soybeans, planted	24	16	13	29
Soybeans, emerged	9	3	5	17
Winter Wheat, headed	49	17	71	88

Crop condition for week ending May 4, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Hay, alfalfa	5	8	40	47	0
Hay, other	2	15	45	35	3
Livestock	0	4	30	56	10
Pasture	1	8	35	48	8
Winter Wheat	0	4	32	51	13

Comments

“Cleaning up after the storms. Spraying weeds. Working cattle and preparing land for planting bermudagrass. Planting watermelons and cantaloupes.”

-Joe Moore, Sharp

“Late in the week growers were back in their fields on high ground spraying, preparing the soil, and planting. A lot of rice was starting to emerge. Some may need flushed as soils begin to dry and crust. In the next week a lot of rice and soybeans will be planted as the lower ground and zero grade fields dry. Late in the week many fields next to the Cache Rive were still partially flooded. Wheat was in late boot and should be fully headed next week. It is running a week or so behind due to the cool Spring.”

-Allen Davis, Greene

“County received 5-6 inches of rain (some local areas received higher amounts) Sunday night through Monday morning. There was extensive flooding across the county. Creeks and rivers took out fences in the western 2/3 of the county and have flooded many acres of row crop ground on the eastern third of the county. There may be a very few fields that will be dry enough late in the week to get back into.”

-Mike Andrews, Randolph

“Planting soybeans, milo, and rice; preparing fields for planting; repairing fences; picking up and disposing of debris; checking for livestock that either had deceased or was just injured during the F4 tornado that ripped through Faulkner County.”

-Hank Chaney, Faulkner

“Farmers returned to the field Friday after early week rainfall. Corn planting has concluded. Rice planting will wrap up during the coming week. Soybean planting has begun along with sorghum planting. Wheat continues to lag in heading and maturity. Summer pastures continue to improve ahead of first hay baling. Herbicide and fertilizer applications have begun on corn and rice.”

- Brent Griffin, Prairie

“Cool Spring delaying release of Bermuda pastures and hayfields. Windy conditions delaying spray for weed control.”

-Robin Bridges, Union

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending May 4, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	63.3	44.1	53.7	60.3	-6.6	0.73	2	NA	2.92	NA
Lead Hill	67.3	39.7	53.5	59.5	-6.0	1.43	1	0.31	4.24	0.05
Winslow	64.3	48.1	56.2	NA	NA	0.59	2	NA	3.30	NA
Extreme/Average	65.0	44.0	54.5	59.9	-6.3	0.92	2	0.31	3.49	0.05
North Central										
Calico Rock	71.3	41.1	56.2	61.6	-5.3	2.70	1	1.57	4.76	0.34
Evening Shade	71.0	43.4	58.4	63.0	-4.3	5.34	1	4.50	7.47	3.56
Gilbert	72.0	39.4	55.7	62.3	-6.6	0.94	1	0.17	3.57	-0.69
Mammoth Spring	67.7	39.3	53.5	61.1	-7.6	2.40	1	1.29	5.53	0.95
Mtn Home	69.3	45.6	57.4	62.5	-5.0	1.12	1	0.10	3.85	-0.72
Mtn View	70.6	48.3	59.4	63.3	-3.9	3.72	1	2.48	6.31	1.52
Extreme/Average	70.3	42.8	56.8	62.3	-5.5	2.70	1	1.59	5.25	0.83
Northeast										
Corning	69.4	50.0	59.7	64.9	-5.2	6.03	1	4.88	9.64	5.31
Jonesboro	71.9	46.3	59.1	64.3	-5.2	2.84	2	1.55	5.88	1.13
Keiser	70.9	50.6	60.7	66.4	-5.6	1.39	2	0.17	4.21	-0.37
Newport	70.4	50.3	60.4	65.2	-4.8	1.74	1	0.55	5.89	1.26
Pocahontas	70.1	41.7	55.9	63.0	-7.1	5.20	1	4.04	8.79	4.55
Searcy	70.4	47.4	58.9	65.1	-5.9	1.28	1	0.36	4.71	0.66
Extreme/Average	70.5	47.7	59.1	64.8	-5.6	3.08	2	1.92	6.52	2.09
West Central										
Booneville	73.8	44.1	59.6	64.6	-5.0	0.79	1	0.33	4.67	0.62
Dardanelle	74.7	45.6	60.1	66.2	-6.0	2.41	1	NA	5.06	NA
Mena	70.4	43.5	57.9	62.8	-4.7	0.32	1	0.97	4.83	0.06
Subiaco	70.7	46.4	58.6	65.0	-6.4	0.52	1	0.64	3.35	-0.90
Waldron	71.3	43.1	57.2	64.1	-6.9	1.28	1	0.10	4.08	-0.59
Extreme/Average	72.2	44.5	58.7	64.5	-5.8	1.06	1	0.51	4.40	-0.20
Central										
Alum Fork	70.4	47.1	58.8	63.7	-5.0	1.03	1	0.25	4.87	-0.07
Cabot	73.0	47.1	60.1	64.8	-4.7	0.39	2	0.90	4.50	NA
Conway	74.3	47.9	61.1	64.6	-3.6	1.26	1	0.07	5.14	0.55
Hot Springs	72.6	49.9	61.2	65.8	-4.6	0.10	1	1.17	5.69	0.80
Morrilton	74.0	45.9	59.9	64.1	-4.1	1.21	1	0.02	4.38	-0.10
Extreme/Average	72.9	47.6	60.2	64.6	-4.4	0.80	2	0.45	4.92	0.24
East Central										
Brinkley	71.3	50.4	60.9	65.7	-4.8	2.45	2	1.12	5.05	0.20
Des Arc	72.9	50.4	61.6	66.7	-5.1	1.39	2	0.09	4.45	-0.46
Keo	73.0	48.7	60.9	67.5	-6.6	0.14	1	1.09	4.34	-0.59
Stuttgart	71.4	50.8	61.1	66.4	-5.0	1.30	1	0.37	5.11	0.45
West Memphis	70.3	51.3	60.8	66.0	-5.2	2.53	3	1.16	5.76	0.65
Extreme/Average	71.8	50.3	61.0	66.4	-5.3	1.56	3	0.33	4.94	0.05
Southwest										
Ashdown	75.0	45.9	60.4	NA	NA	0.45	2	0.76	4.49	0.40
De Queen	78.0	58.3	68.2	65.0	3.8	0.06	1	0.46	3.07	-0.61
Hope	74.7	46.9	60.8	65.9	-5.1	0.32	1	0.96	4.00	-0.50
Murfreesboro	73.1	47.6	62.1	63.4	-1.2	0.18	2	1.11	5.67	0.90
Nashville	76.6	47.1	61.9	66.7	-4.9	0.17	1	1.17	4.91	0.23
Extreme/Average	75.5	49.2	62.7	65.2	-1.9	0.24	2	0.89	4.43	0.08
South Central										
Camden	79.0	47.4	63.6	66.5	-3.0	0.70	1	0.40	4.05	-0.07
Fordyce	77.2	47.9	63.2	64.9	-1.8	0.81	1	0.39	5.06	0.65
Magnolia	72.3	47.3	59.8	66.5	-6.2	0.75	1	0.32	2.67	0.85
Prescott	74.1	45.9	60.0	65.4	-5.4	0.42	1	0.84	3.47	-0.65
Sparkman	75.7	44.0	60.5	65.0	-4.5	0.47	1	0.63	4.01	0.09
Extreme/Average	75.7	46.5	61.4	65.7	-4.2	0.63	1	0.39	3.85	0.17
Southeast										
Crossett	78.8	48.0	64.3	65.9	-1.6	0.05	1	1.01	5.11	1.00
Eudora	79.0	53.9	66.4	69.2	-2.8	0.31	1	0.91	7.36	2.18
Pine Bluff	76.8	48.3	63.1	67.1	-4.0	0.52	1	0.71	4.33	-0.34
Portland	75.9	52.4	64.1	67.4	-3.3	0.23	2	0.87	6.90	2.72
Rohwer	76.0	51.6	64.6	67.7	-3.1	1.22	2	0.04	5.51	1.45
Extreme/Average	77.3	50.8	64.5	67.5	-3.0	0.47	2	0.69	5.84	1.40
State	72.3	47.1	59.9	64.6	-4.7	1.35	1	0.20	4.88	0.54

DFN = Departure from Normal.

NA = Not Available.