



**United States Department of Agriculture
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Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report**



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Week Ending August 17, 2014

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 17, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 33 percent short, 57 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 29 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 58.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Mammoth Spring to 69.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Keiser. Highs ranged from 80.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 90.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Nashville. The precipitation for this week was minimal throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the west central part of the state with an average of 1.42 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 17, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, dough	99	97	96	99
Corn, dent	94	89	89	95
Corn, mature	62	50	37	65
Corn, harvested	1	-	4	20
Cotton, setting bolls	99	97	100	100
Cotton, open bolls	6	2	4	12
Rice, headed	83	65	78	84
Rice, mature	6	-	5	21
Sorghum, headed	100	99	99	100
Sorghum, coloring	86	71	71	84
Sorghum, mature	27	13	11	43
Soybeans, blooming	95	91	92	96
Soybeans, setting pods	87	79	77	84
Soybeans, turning color	14	6	3	11
Soybeans, dropping leaves	1	-	0	5

Crop condition for week ending August 17, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn	0	7	20	49	24
Cotton	2	5	23	46	24
Hay, alfalfa	5	10	39	45	1
Hay, other	2	9	33	46	10
Livestock	1	2	17	66	14
Pasture	1	9	25	51	14
Rice	1	5	28	49	17
Sorghum	1	6	20	51	22
Soybeans	2	9	26	42	21

Comments from Extension Agents

“Rain needed county wide. Roughly 0.2 inches of rain since July 10th. Harvesting melons and scouting for armyworms. Fly control is being applied to cattle.

-Joe Moore, Sharp County

“Soybean irrigation continued to be the main farm activity. More corn and grain sorghum farmers were terminating irrigation. Scouting for insects and diseases continued with some fungicides applied.”

-Randy Chlapecka, Jackson County

“Irrigation of soybeans, peanuts, rice and late corn were major activities for most row crop farmers. A few rice fields received fungicide applications. Southern blight was found in the peanut crop in some fields during the week. Horn fly populations have increased over the past few weeks and many livestock producers are applying insecticides by various methods. Scattered worms were found in several fields of soybeans and milo.”

-Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“Irrigation has been terminated on earliest rice. Grain sorghum is beginning to mature, with a significant number of fields requiring treatment for Sugar Cane Aphids. Most corn very near black layer. Cotton is near cutout. Some soybeans have reached R6.”

-Russ Parker, Crittenden County

“Quality of hay and pasture are down due only to lateness of the season. However, great season weather and moisture levels have allowed for a good quantity. A great hay year!”

-Robin Bridges, Union County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 17, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	80.3	61.7	71.0	78.2	-7.2	0.00	0	NA	3.18	NA
Lead Hill	85.6	60.6	73.1	76.7	-3.6	0.00	0	-0.66	2.68	-0.25
Winslow	81.1	65.4	73.3	NA	NA	0.00	0	NA	3.67	NA
Extreme/Average	82.3	62.6	72.5	77.4	-5.4	0.00	0	-0.66	3.18	-0.25
North Central										
Calico Rock	86.7	59.1	72.9	77.4	-4.5	0.00	0	-0.65	1.20	-1.74
Evening Shade	88.8	60.7	74.8	79.9	-5.2	0.05	1	-0.49	0.47	-2.53
Mammoth Spring	88.6	58.6	73.6	77.5	-3.9	0.27	2	-0.37	0.42	-2.41
Mtn Home	86.7	63.1	74.9	79.3	-4.4	0.00	0	-0.67	3.23	0.44
Mtn View	88.3	62.9	75.6	79.4	-3.8	0.04	1	-0.81	1.67	-1.99
Extreme/Average	87.8	60.9	74.3	78.7	-4.4	0.07	2	-0.60	1.40	-1.65
Northeast										
Corning	87.1	65.6	76.4	79.7	-3.3	0.00	0	-0.60	1.14	-1.94
Jonesboro	89.3	64.6	76.9	79.9	-2.9	0.00	0	-0.64	1.75	-1.02
Keiser	87.6	69.3	78.4	81.0	-2.6	0.00	0	-0.51	1.19	-1.64
Newport	87.0	67.4	77.2	80.6	-3.4	0.00	0	-0.57	1.23	-1.51
Pocahontas	88.1	64.4	76.3	79.0	-2.7	0.01	1	-0.68	1.62	-1.31
Searcy	90.3	67.4	78.9	81.0	-2.1	0.00	0	-0.57	0.81	-1.58
Extreme/Average	88.2	66.4	77.3	80.2	-2.8	0.00	1	-0.59	1.29	-1.50
West Central										
Mena	85.0	62.3	73.6	78.7	-5.1	1.43	1	0.96	6.96	3.72
Waldron	86.4	63.3	74.9	79.5	-4.6	1.42	1	0.75	4.43	1.61
Extreme/Average	85.7	62.8	74.3	79.1	-4.9	1.42	1	0.85	5.70	2.67
Central										
Alum Fork	86.0	64.8	75.4	79.5	-4.1	0.15	1	-0.41	1.95	-1.09
Cabot	88.6	62.0	75.3	80.9	-5.6	0.01	1	-0.47	3.26	0.61
Conway	87.3	67.0	77.1	81.1	-3.9	0.00	0	-0.66	2.59	-0.23
Hot Springs	86.3	66.7	76.5	82.3	-5.8	0.12	1	-0.50	2.82	-0.52
Morrilton	88.6	65.1	76.9	80.4	-3.5	0.02	1	-0.56	2.76	0.21
Extreme/Average	87.4	65.1	76.2	80.8	-4.6	0.06	1	-0.52	2.68	-0.20
East Central										
Brinkley	86.7	68.0	77.4	80.5	-3.2	0.00	0	-0.47	0.90	-1.57
Keo	85.4	65.7	75.6	80.7	-5.1	0.03	1	-0.37	2.11	-0.17
Stuttgart	87.0	69.0	78.0	81.1	-3.1	0.00	0	-0.45	0.66	-1.77
West Memphis	87.7	67.3	77.5	80.9	-3.4	0.02	1	-0.65	0.85	-2.01
Extreme/Average	86.7	67.5	77.1	80.8	-3.7	0.01	1	-0.48	1.13	-1.38
Southwest										
Ashdown	89.0	64.0	76.5	NA	NA	0.59	2	0.03	3.12	0.66
Dequeen	86.9	64.3	75.6	81.7	-6.1	0.00	0	-0.50	4.60	2.26
Hope	89.1	66.3	77.7	81.6	-3.8	0.03	1	-0.60	2.54	-0.18
Murfreesboro	86.7	63.0	74.9	79.3	-4.4	0.06	1	-0.61	6.12	2.83
Nashville	90.7	65.1	77.9	82.8	-4.8	0.19	2	-0.40	5.40	2.41
Extreme/Average	88.5	64.5	76.5	81.3	-4.8	0.17	2	-0.42	4.36	1.60
South Central										
Camden	89.9	65.5	77.8	81.6	-3.8	0.00	0	-0.56	2.24	-0.52
Fordyce	86.0	66.0	76.0	80.1	-4.1	0.49	2	-0.08	2.88	-0.11
Sparkman	86.1	63.6	74.9	80.4	-5.6	0.20	2	-0.32	5.61	3.00
Extreme/Average	87.3	65.0	76.2	80.7	-4.5	0.23	2	-0.32	3.58	0.79
Southeast										
Crossett	86.9	63.9	75.4	80.8	-5.4	0.56	2	-0.22	1.70	-1.49
Eudora	90.1	67.6	78.9	83.2	-4.3	0.79	2	0.05	1.57	-1.64
Pine Bluff	88.3	67.5	78.1	82.0	-3.9	0.25	1	-0.45	1.79	-1.70
Portland	87.6	67.4	77.5	81.4	-3.9	1.88	2	1.40	2.64	-0.34
Rohwer	85.4	66.3	75.9	81.4	-5.5	2.62	1	2.14	3.03	0.38
Extreme/Average	87.7	66.5	77.1	81.7	-4.6	1.22	2	0.58	2.15	-0.96
State	86.9	64.7	75.8	80.1	-4.3	0.35	1	-0.24	2.80	-0.10

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.