



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Week Ending April 24, 2016

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 3.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 24, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 8 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 21 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 8 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 45.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 61.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. Highs ranged from 68.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Winslow to 78.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. The precipitation for this week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the southwest region of the state with an average of 2.59 inches.

Crop progress for week ending April 24, 2016

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, planted	90	81	77	78
Corn, emerged	73	47	52	58
Cotton, planted	3	0	4	8
Peanuts, planted	5	1	NA	NA
Rice, planted	75	55	34	47
Rice, emerged	40	11	17	26
Sorghum, planted	30	19	38	47
Sorghum, emerged	17	4	16	27
Soybeans, planted	17	12	15	16
Soybeans, emerged	6	1	6	7
Winter Wheat, headed	58	29	38	50

NA = Not Available.

Crop condition for week ending April 24, 2016

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	7	5	38	38	12
Hay, alfalfa	4	2	73	17	4
Hay, other	3	3	40	47	7
Livestock	2	1	27	59	11
Pasture	1	5	34	50	10
Winter Wheat	3	5	33	46	13

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Some producers were spraying pastures for weed control and preparing for summer forage planting.”

- Mark Keaton, Baxter County

“Planting melons and cantaloupes. Spraying weeds in pastures. Working cattle. Planting warm season vegetables. One inch of rain fell this week. Cool season forages really growing.”

-J. Joe Moore, Sharp County

“We have had two good weeks of warmer weather and not much rain. This has allowed corn planting to be completed and most of our rice to be planted. Sorghum planting is also underway and some soybeans being planted.”

- Allen Davis, Greene County

“Rains continue to slow planting progress. Tuesday's unexpected showers continued into Thursday with heavier rains. Planting stopped, but rice needing a flush for emergence benefitted. Corn really popping out of the ground with some emergence occurring in 7 days. Little cotton planted prior to the rain.”

- Russ Parker, Crittenden County

“Farmers completed corn planting and continued with rice planting where rainfall was limited early week. Corn and rice plants continue to emerge with some early soybeans emerging. Herbicide applications continue for all crops. Pasture and hay meadows continue to develop in response to warmer temperatures.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Steady and heavy rain at times still limiting producer forage management. Seasonal temperatures are keeping livestock in good shape and fruit production is on track.”

-Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending April 24, 2016

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	69.1	45.0	57.1	57.7	-0.7	0.12	2	NA	1.80	NA
Lead Hill	71.0	49.7	60.4	56.6	3.8	0.26	3	-0.76	1.72	-2.15
Winslow	68.0	54.3	61.2	NA	NA	0.56	2	NA	3.02	NA
Extreme/Average	69.4	49.7	59.5	57.2	1.5	0.31	3	-0.76	2.18	-2.15
North Central										
Calico Rock	73.9	49.7	61.8	58.6	3.2	0.35	2	-0.74	2.58	-1.78
Evening Shade	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Gilbert	73.1	51.9	62.5	59.4	3.1	0.44	3	-0.63	1.92	-2.24
Mammoth Spring	75.4	51.7	63.6	58.3	5.2	0.56	2	-0.62	2.96	-1.39
Mountain Home	74.0	53.6	63.8	59.8	4.0	0.28	3	-0.85	3.48	-0.92
Mountain View	74.3	54.3	64.3	60.8	3.5	0.54	3	-0.65	3.37	-1.12
Extreme/Average	74.1	52.2	63.2	59.4	3.8	0.43	3	-0.70	2.86	-1.49
Northeast										
Corning	76.3	55.1	65.7	61.9	3.8	2.60	2	1.55	6.81	2.62
Jonesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Keiser	77.2	59.6	68.4	63.1	5.6	1.01	3	0.20	8.92	4.83
Newport	74.1	56.3	65.2	62.2	3.0	0.95	3	-0.22	7.36	2.90
Pocahontas	75.9	54.0	64.9	59.9	5.0	2.47	2	1.36	6.03	2.01
Searcy	75.7	55.6	65.6	62.0	3.7	1.24	3	0.03	7.25	2.75
Extreme/Average	75.8	56.1	66.0	61.8	4.2	1.65	3	0.58	7.27	3.02
West Central										
Booneville	73.6	54.0	63.8	61.6	2.1	0.87	4	-0.25	1.72	-2.16
Dardanelle	74.7	54.4	64.6	63.6	1.0	0.35	2	NA	2.14	NA
Mena	72.4	54.6	63.5	60.0	3.5	2.61	4	1.22	5.28	0.38
Subiaco	78.7	52.7	65.7	62.2	2.9	0.47	3	-0.47	2.31	-1.02
Waldron	72.3	52.6	62.4	61.1	1.3	1.87	4	0.65	3.76	-0.29
Extreme/Average	74.3	53.7	64.0	61.7	2.2	1.23	4	0.29	3.04	-0.77
Central										
Alum Fork	71.3	53.7	62.5	61.0	1.5	1.48	3	0.25	4.50	-0.22
Cabot	77.3	55.5	66.4	61.8	4.7	1.66	3	0.63	6.36	2.53
Conway	76.3	53.9	65.1	61.8	3.2	1.17	3	0.05	3.83	-0.70
Hot Springs	72.6	55.3	63.9	63.2	0.8	1.36	3	0.17	6.33	1.54
Morrilton	75.3	53.9	64.6	61.3	3.3	0.67	3	-0.47	2.68	-1.54
Extreme/Average	74.6	54.5	64.5	61.8	2.7	1.27	3	0.13	4.74	0.32
East Central										
Brinkley	72.4	58.0	65.2	62.7	2.8	1.00	3	0.15	6.65	2.54
Des Arc	75.9	58.0	66.9	63.9	3.1	1.56	2	0.34	5.31	0.59
Keo	73.6	56.4	65.0	64.7	0.3	0.83	3	-0.42	5.52	0.78
Stuttgart	73.8	59.6	66.7	63.4	3.7	0.69	3	-0.20	5.66	1.38
West Memphis	76.0	57.6	66.8	62.8	4.0	2.46	4	1.15	6.29	1.54
Extreme/Average	74.3	57.9	66.1	63.5	2.8	1.31	4	0.20	5.89	1.37
Southwest										
Ashdown	70.5	55.5	63.0	NA	NA	2.34	4	1.42	5.59	1.82
Dequeen	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hope	74.1	55.9	65.0	63.1	1.9	3.61	4	2.49	5.68	1.53
Murfreesboro	71.0	55.2	63.1	60.8	2.4	2.23	3	1.39	7.54	3.22
Nashville	74.9	55.9	65.4	63.9	1.4	2.20	5	1.03	4.13	-0.20
Extreme/Average	72.6	55.6	64.1	62.6	1.9	2.59	5	1.58	5.73	1.59
South Central										
Camden	76.5	55.7	66.1	64.0	2.1	2.07	3	1.22	5.65	1.89
Fordyce	74.6	56.4	65.5	62.2	3.3	1.25	3	0.19	7.54	3.19
Magnolia	73.3	56.0	64.6	63.7	0.9	2.60	4	1.63	5.31	1.67
Prescott	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sparkman	74.0	53.8	63.9	62.4	1.4	0.07	1	-0.70	2.46	-1.25
Extreme/Average	74.6	55.5	65.0	63.1	1.9	1.50	4	0.58	5.24	1.38
Southeast										
Crossett	77.9	59.1	68.5	63.1	5.4	2.99	3	2.01	8.13	4.05
Eudora	78.9	61.0	69.9	66.2	3.7	0.89	2	-0.45	5.55	0.62
Pine Bluff	78.1	56.3	67.2	64.3	3.0	1.01	3	-0.20	3.32	-0.99
Portland	75.4	58.9	67.1	64.5	2.6	0.41	3	-0.67	6.93	2.80
Rohwer	74.5	58.7	66.6	64.6	2.1	1.94	3	0.96	5.34	1.32
Extreme/Average	77.0	58.8	67.9	64.5	3.3	1.45	3	0.33	5.85	1.56
State	74.2	55.0	64.6	61.8	2.7	1.32	3	0.27	4.86	0.65

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.