## Delta Region - Arkansas Field Office

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## Week Ending: April 22, 2018

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 22, 2018. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 3 percent short, 61 percent adequate, and 35 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 5 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 32.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 47.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Rohwer. Highs ranged from 60.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 74.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Pine Bluff. Moderate precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration occurring in the south central part of the State with an average of 1.67 inches.

Crop progress for week ending April 22, 2018

| Crop | This <br> week | Last <br> week | Last <br> year | 5 -year <br> average |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn, planted | 75 | 52 | 91 | 74 |
| Corn, emerged | 39 | 20 | 75 | 53 |
| Rice, planted | 53 | 27 | 82 | 48 |
| Rice, emerged | 11 | 3 | 47 | 22 |
| Sorghum, planted | 9 | 1 | 44 | 29 |
| Sorghum, emerged | 1 | (NA) | 10 | 9 |
| Soybeans, planted | 21 | 10 | 37 | 16 |
| Soybeans, emerged | 3 | 1 | 19 | 6 |
| Winter wheat, headed | 44 | 32 | 95 | 41 |

Crop condition for week ending April 22, 2018

| Item | Very <br> poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Hay, alfalfa | 0 | 22 | 52 | 26 | 0 |
| Hay, other | 3 | 9 | 49 | 33 | 6 |
| Livestock | 1 | 6 | 43 | 43 | 7 |
| Pasture | 4 | 23 | 41 | 29 | 3 |
| Winter wheat | 2 | 8 | 35 | 49 | 6 |

## Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

"Recent excessive rains led to major delays in corn crop planting. Some producers have decided to not plant corn at all this year."

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- Clay Gibson, Chicot County
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"Last week's dry weather allowed for row crop planting to move forward. Windy conditions slowed herbicide applications. Many forage producers fertilized pastures and hay ground."

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- Mike Andrews, Randolph County
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"Rains last weekend will keep farmers out of the field the next 3 to 4 days. Planting, fertilizing, and spraying should resume late next week."
- Dave Freeze, Greene County
"Farmers continued planting rice and soybeans. Corn was being replanted due to cool wet weather conditions. Livestock growers worked cattle and prepared for upcoming hay season."
- Brent Griffin, Prairie County
"Rice and corn was being planted in the county. Spring fertilization of Bermuda grass hay fields was still on halt until the weather gets a little warmer."
- Kevin Lawson, Perry County


| Division/Station | Air Temperature |  |  |  |  | Precipitation |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Max | Min | Avg | Norm | DFN | One Week | Rain Days | DFN | Four Weeks | Four <br> Weeks DFN |
| Northwest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 60.1 | 33.4 | 46.8 | 57.2 | -10.4 | 1.44 | 1 | (NA) | 8.94 | (NA) |
| Lead Hill | 65.2 | 34.7 | 50.4 | 56.0 | -5.7 | 0.71 | 1 | -0.30 | 8.49 | 4.48 |
| Winslow | 61.4 | 40.3 | 50.9 | (NA) | (NA) | 0.95 | 1 | (NA) | 8.80 | (NA) |
| Extreme/Average | 62.2 | 36.1 | 49.4 | 56.6 | -8.1 | 1.03 | 1 | -0.30 | 8.74 | 4.48 |
| North Central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Calico Rock | 64.3 | 32.6 | 48.4 | 58.0 | -9.6 | 0.10 | 1 | -1.00 | 5.55 | 1.19 |
| Evening Shade | 67.4 | 38.0 | 52.7 | 59.7 | -7.0 | 0.21 | 1 | -0.89 | 5.09 | 0.88 |
| Gilbert | 64.0 | 37.2 | 50.6 | 58.8 | -7.9 | 0.00 | 0 | -0.75 | 6.92 | 3.09 |
| Mammoth Spring | 64.3 | 37.9 | 51.1 | 57.8 | -6.7 | 0.10 | 1 | -1.06 | 5.50 | 1.03 |
| Mountain Home | 63.6 | 37.9 | 50.7 | 59.3 | -8.6 | 0.05 | 1 | -1.06 | 6.82 | 2.44 |
| Mountain View | 64.4 | 39.7 | 52.1 | 60.2 | -8.1 | 0.14 | 1 | -1.06 | 3.77 | -0.36 |
| Extreme/Average | 64.7 | 37.2 | 50.9 | 59.0 | -8.0 | 0.10 | 1 | -0.97 | 5.61 | 1.38 |
| Northeast |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Corning | 64.1 | 38.0 | 51.1 | 61.3 | -10.2 | 0.46 | 1 | -0.61 | 4.53 | 0.34 |
| Jonesboro | 65.6 | 38.9 | 52.2 | 60.7 | -8.5 | 0.38 | 1 | -0.79 | 4.90 | 0.56 |
| Keiser | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 62.5 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 5.29 | 2.64 |
| Newport | 65.9 | 41.9 | 53.9 | 61.6 | -7.7 | 0.34 | 1 | -0.83 | 4.52 | 0.10 |
| Pocahontas | 68.7 | 37.7 | 53.2 | 59.3 | -6.1 | 0.38 | 1 | -0.71 | 4.59 | 0.45 |
| Searcy | 67.9 | 44.1 | 56.0 | 61.3 | -5.3 | 0.50 | 1 | -0.68 | 5.01 | 0.57 |
| Extreme/Average | 66.4 | 40.1 | 53.3 | 61.1 | -7.6 | 0.41 | 1 | -0.72 | 4.81 | 0.78 |
| West Central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Booneville | 69.0 | 38.4 | 53.7 | 61.0 | -7.3 | 0.71 | 1 | -0.37 | 6.53 | 2.82 |
| Dardanelle | 73.2 | 43.1 | 59.3 | 63.1 | -4.0 | 0.36 | 1 | (NA) | 5.12 | (NA) |
| Mena | 68.3 | 42.4 | 55.4 | 59.4 | -4.0 | 0.63 | 1 | -0.73 | 7.86 | 3.03 |
| Subiaco | 68.4 | 39.7 | 54.1 | 61.6 | -7.6 | 0.75 | 1 | -0.33 | 7.06 | 3.19 |
| Waldron | 67.1 | 40.0 | 53.6 | 60.5 | -6.9 | 0.80 | 1 | -0.37 | 6.66 | 2.71 |
| Extreme/Average | 69.2 | 40.7 | 55.2 | 61.1 | -6.0 | 0.65 | 1 | -0.45 | 6.65 | 2.94 |
| Central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alum Fork | 66.9 | 39.1 | 53.0 | 60.5 | -7.5 | 0.78 | 1 | -0.44 | 6.24 | 1.55 |
| Cabot | 70.0 | 39.4 | 54.7 | 61.2 | -6.5 | 0.77 | 1 | -0.39 | 6.42 | 2.22 |
| Conway | 68.0 | 41.0 | 54.5 | 61.3 | -6.8 | 0.29 | 1 | -0.82 | 4.54 | 0.15 |
| Hot Springs | 70.3 | 43.9 | 57.1 | 62.6 | -5.6 | 0.90 | 1 | -0.29 | 8.38 | 3.60 |
| Morrilton | 68.3 | 38.0 | 53.1 | 60.7 | -7.6 | 0.66 | 1 | -0.45 | 5.40 | 1.21 |
| Extreme/Average | 68.7 | 40.3 | 54.5 | 61.3 | -6.8 | 0.68 | 1 | -0.48 | 6.20 | 1.75 |
| East Central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brinkley | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 62.1 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Des Arc | 67.5 | 44.7 | 56.1 | 63.3 | -7.1 | 0.00 | 0 | -1.02 | 5.92 | 1.41 |
| Keo | 68.0 | 42.7 | 55.4 | 64.2 | -8.8 | 0.93 | 1 | -0.31 | 8.48 | 3.80 |
| Stuttgart | 73.7 | 45.0 | 59.4 | 62.7 | -3.4 | 3.40 | 1 | 2.16 | 7.85 | 3.61 |
| West Memphis | 65.1 | 42.6 | 53.9 | 62.1 | -8.3 | 0.85 | 1 | -0.44 | 3.73 | -0.29 |
| Extreme/Average | 68.6 | 43.8 | 56.2 | 62.9 | -6.9 | 1.29 | 1 | 0.10 | 6.50 | 2.13 |
| Southwest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ashdown | 68.6 | 40.0 | 54.3 | (NA) | (NA) | 1.50 | 1 | 0.46 | 4.57 | 0.65 |
| De Queen | 70.8 | 38.4 | 54.6 | 61.6 | -6.7 | 2.24 | 1 | 1.46 | 7.58 | 3.45 |
| Hope | 70.3 | 41.6 | 55.9 | 62.6 | -6.6 | 0.90 | 1 | -0.19 | 6.41 | 2.44 |
| Murfreesboro | 69.1 | 39.9 | 54.5 | 60.3 | -5.8 | 0.78 | 1 | -0.39 | 7.76 | 3.25 |
| Nashville | 71.4 | 41.7 | 56.6 | 63.4 | -6.8 | 1.04 | 1 | -0.09 | 7.18 | 2.88 |
| Extreme/Average | 70.0 | 40.3 | 55.2 | 61.9 | -6.5 | 1.29 | 1 | 0.25 | 6.70 | 2.53 |
| South Central |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Camden | 72.0 | 43.2 | 57.6 | 63.5 | -5.9 | 1.84 | 1 | 1.00 | 8.98 | 5.33 |
| Fordyce | 69.6 | 42.3 | 55.9 | 61.6 | -5.7 | 1.75 | 1 | 0.71 | 9.75 | 5.37 |
| Magnolia | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 63.2 | (NA) | 1.30 | 1 | 0.74 | 4.92 | 1.91 |
| Prescott | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 62.1 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 4.71 | 2.60 |
| Sparkman | 71.4 | 39.4 | 55.4 | 61.9 | -6.4 | 1.79 | 1 | 0.70 | 9.83 | 5.30 |
| Extreme/Average | 71.0 | 41.6 | 56.3 | 62.5 | -6.0 | 1.67 | 1 | 0.79 | 7.64 | 4.10 |
| Southeast |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crossett | 73.3 | 43.1 | 58.2 | 62.6 | -4.4 | 1.45 | 1 | 0.46 | 7.80 | 3.84 |
| Eudora | 73.2 | 43.3 | 58.3 | 65.7 | -7.6 | 1.60 | 1 | 0.44 | 7.76 | 3.96 |
| Pine Bluff | 74.2 | 46.8 | 60.5 | 63.7 | -3.3 | 1.61 | 1 | 0.60 | 11.59 | 7.63 |
| Portland | 67.7 | 44.1 | 55.9 | 63.9 | -8.0 | 1.56 | 1 | 0.49 | 8.69 | 4.43 |
| Rohwer | 66.7 | 47.0 | 56.9 | 63.9 | -7.1 | 1.72 | 1 | 0.59 | 9.87 | 5.73 |
| Extreme/Average | 71.0 | 44.9 | 58.0 | 64.0 | -6.1 | 1.59 | 1 | 0.52 | 9.14 | 5.12 |
| State | 68.1 | 40.7 | 54.4 | 61.2 | -6.9 | 0.95 | 1 | -0.15 | 6.76 | 2.69 |

Normal= Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.
DFN = Departure From Normal.
(NA) Not available.

