



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 1.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, March 10, 2019**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 1 percent short, 26 percent adequate, and 73 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 5 percent short, 33 percent adequate, and 60 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 14.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Corning to 34.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Portland. Highs ranged from 33.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Corning to 56.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Nashville. Moderate precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration occurring in the central part of the State with an average of 1.44 inches.

Crop condition for week ending March 10, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Hay, alfalfa	0	20	70	8	2
Hay, other	1	32	51	14	2
Livestock	3	10	51	32	4
Pasture	10	26	49	14	1
Winter wheat	8	23	44	22	3

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Warm season grasses are trying to break dormancy, but the alternating cooler temperatures have impeded progress. Pastures are incredibly wet!”

- Jerri Lephiew, Columbia County

“It is very wet and unseasonably cool. This is beneficial to those with cool season forage, but it is too wet to fertilize or control winter weeds. Garden efforts are very slow to begin. High tunnel growers are benefitting from dryer conditions.”

- Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

“It has been too wet to get into pastures and hay fields for liming and early fertilization of winter annuals. Rain and standing water have impacted the ability to spray early weeds. We are in need of some dry, sunny weather.”

- Danny Griffin, Van Buren County

“We have great soil moisture, and we are just waiting on warmer weather. Calving is under way with reports of lost calves due to cold temperatures. I know of at least a dozen head of cattle lost because of high nitrates in hay.”

- Mike McClintock, Boone County

“Rain continued to keep producers out of the field. Fields need to be worked for the upcoming year, but producers are just sitting around and waiting. Cattle producers are starting to run low on hay. Winter annuals are not growing well, and fertilization has been an issue due to the weather. Pastures and hay fields need to be sprayed for winter weeds, but cold, wet weather has delayed those applications. We need some dry, warmer weather very soon.”

- Kevin Lawson, Faulkner County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending March 10, 2019

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	42.4	18.4	30.4	43.9	-13.4	1.30	3	(NA)	4.35	(NA)
Lead Hill	43.8	20.3	33.2	43.3	-10.3	0.76	3	-0.13	4.52	1.20
Winslow	43.4	24.0	33.7	(NA)	(NA)	1.09	3	(NA)	4.42	(NA)
Extreme/Average	43.2	20.9	32.4	43.6	-11.9	1.05	3	-0.13	4.43	1.20
North Central										
Calico Rock	43.7	22.4	33.1	45.0	-11.9	0.87	4	-0.08	6.60	3.10
Evening Shade	39.0	21.2	30.1	46.7	-16.5	0.31	3	-0.52	6.74	3.08
Gilbert	46.0	25.1	35.6	46.1	-10.5	1.00	1	0.03	6.07	2.28
Mammoth Spring	44.9	22.6	33.7	44.4	-10.7	0.75	3	-0.13	5.90	2.57
Mountain Home	42.6	21.3	31.9	45.9	-14.0	0.67	4	-0.29	6.61	3.29
Mountain View	47.4	24.9	36.1	47.0	-10.8	0.88	3	-0.12	7.18	3.73
Extreme/Average	43.9	22.9	33.4	45.8	-12.4	0.75	4	-0.19	6.52	3.01
Northeast										
Corning	33.0	14.0	23.5	46.9	-22.4	0.00	0	-0.12	6.32	3.30
Jonesboro	43.9	25.6	34.7	46.5	-11.8	1.03	4	0.10	12.07	8.30
Keiser	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	48.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	8.88	7.16
Newport	44.3	27.0	35.6	47.9	-12.2	1.40	4	0.41	11.42	7.62
Pocahontas	44.1	21.1	32.6	45.7	-13.0	1.45	3	0.50	7.48	3.58
Searcy	46.0	26.8	36.4	48.5	-12.0	0.72	2	-0.19	8.70	4.86
Extreme/Average	42.3	22.9	32.6	47.4	-14.3	0.92	4	0.14	9.15	5.80
West Central										
Booneville	50.3	26.3	38.3	48.6	-10.3	0.48	2	-0.48	4.29	0.96
Dardanelle	50.3	30.6	40.4	50.8	-10.4	0.54	2	(NA)	6.02	(NA)
Mena	50.9	28.6	39.7	47.7	-8.0	0.84	1	-0.29	4.52	0.65
Subiaco	50.3	28.8	39.6	49.2	-9.7	0.79	2	0.00	5.54	2.42
Waldron	52.8	27.7	41.3	48.5	-7.3	0.54	3	-0.45	3.60	0.16
Extreme/Average	50.9	28.4	39.9	49.0	-9.1	0.64	3	-0.30	4.79	1.05
Central										
Alum Fork	47.7	27.9	37.8	48.1	-10.3	1.52	4	0.31	10.20	5.49
Cabot	49.3	29.7	39.5	49.5	-10.0	0.89	3	-0.21	8.44	4.60
Conway	47.6	28.9	38.2	48.9	-10.7	1.94	4	0.94	11.14	7.22
Hot Springs	52.7	30.7	41.7	50.5	-8.8	1.35	3	0.22	7.01	2.88
Morrilton	48.1	29.0	38.6	48.1	-9.5	1.52	3	0.51	10.79	6.86
Extreme/Average	49.1	29.2	39.2	49.0	-9.9	1.44	4	0.35	9.52	5.41
East Central										
Brinkley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	49.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Des Arc	50.0	33.6	41.8	50.1	-8.3	0.39	3	-0.63	8.58	4.47
Keo	49.9	31.9	40.9	51.4	-10.5	0.71	3	-0.29	7.84	4.02
Stuttgart	49.6	33.7	41.6	49.9	-8.3	0.00	0	-0.59	4.76	1.63
West Memphis	41.4	26.8	34.1	49.4	-15.1	0.44	1	-0.37	7.03	3.30
Extreme/Average	47.7	31.5	39.6	50.0	-10.6	0.39	3	-0.47	7.05	3.35
Southwest										
Ashdown	55.9	33.0	44.4	(NA)	(NA)	0.99	3	-0.24	6.60	2.52
De Queen	43.0	21.0	32.0	50.4	-18.0	0.00	0	-0.64	6.91	3.27
Hope	56.0	34.1	45.1	51.2	-6.1	0.64	4	-0.54	6.51	1.79
Murfreesboro	53.4	28.3	40.9	49.2	-8.3	2.84	2	1.70	11.28	6.91
Nashville	56.1	34.1	45.1	52.2	-7.0	1.60	3	0.44	8.98	4.64
Extreme/Average	52.9	30.1	41.5	50.7	-9.9	1.21	4	0.14	8.06	3.83
South Central										
Camden	54.2	29.3	42.4	52.0	-9.6	0.53	2	-0.30	5.89	1.89
Fordyce	52.1	32.4	42.3	50.3	-8.0	0.63	3	-0.42	5.81	1.07
Magnolia	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	52.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.86	-0.30
Prescott	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	50.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sparkman	54.4	33.9	44.1	50.3	-6.2	0.98	3	-0.08	6.03	1.52
Extreme/Average	53.6	31.9	42.9	51.0	-7.9	0.71	3	-0.27	4.65	1.04
Southeast										
Crossett	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.66	3	-0.39	10.84	6.23
Eudora	45.5	30.2	37.9	54.2	-16.0	0.16	2	-0.50	8.30	4.05
Pine Bluff	51.6	33.4	42.5	51.2	-8.7	1.92	4	0.82	8.45	4.13
Portland	51.4	34.4	42.9	51.6	-8.7	0.20	3	-0.62	15.87	10.84
Rohwer	52.8	33.6	44.0	51.9	-8.0	0.22	1	-0.89	10.31	5.88
Extreme/Average	50.3	32.9	41.8	52.2	-10.3	0.63	4	-0.32	10.75	6.23
State	48.0	27.7	37.9	48.9	-10.8	0.84	4	-0.13	7.13	3.38

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.