



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 8, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 20 percent very short, 47 percent short, 31 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 13 percent very short, 42 percent short, 42 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 65.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Mena to 72.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Stuttgart. Highs ranged from 84.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 101.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Crossett. Precipitation was scarce throughout the State, with the highest concentration occurring in the northwest part of the State with an average of 0.14 inch.

Crop progress for week ending September 8, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, dent	100	97	100	100
Corn, mature	86	78	99	98
Corn, harvested	40	22	48	57
Cotton, open bolls	66	42	69	54
Peanuts, dug	1	0	0	(NA)
Rice, headed	99	97	100	100
Rice, mature	75	62	89	81
Rice, harvested	23	11	31	32
Sorghum, coloring	95	90	100	100
Sorghum, mature	85	74	98	93
Sorghum, harvested	46	26	60	59
Soybeans, setting pods	97	95	100	100
Soybeans, turning color	40	32	59	57
Soybeans, dropping leaves	22	14	26	35
Soybeans, harvested	4	1	4	9

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending September 8, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	5	9	34	27	25
Cotton	0	2	12	36	50
Hay, alfalfa	2	2	28	49	19
Hay, other	1	7	45	39	8
Livestock	0	2	32	56	10
Pasture	1	5	32	51	11
Peanuts	0	0	6	27	67
Rice	2	8	30	40	20
Sorghum	1	3	43	41	12
Soybeans	2	14	32	33	19

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Temperatures near 100 degrees and no rain for two weeks have seriously reduced conditions for agriculture in the county. The slow transition to Fall conditions is stressing plants and livestock. Late season hay crops are all but complete, but with no moisture predicted for another week, producers are reluctant to start cool season forage plantings.”

- Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

“Corn and rice harvest started last week. Disease pressure is low. Bollworm traps are not catching moths anywhere near the threshold. Forecast shows sunny days ahead which will be good for continued harvest.”

- Bryce Baldrige, Lawrence County

“Rice fields were starting to be drained. Soybean irrigation started last week for the first time. Hay and pastures are starting to feel the heat and dry weather for the first time this year.”

- Kevin Lawson, Faulkner County

“Irrigation continued for soybeans. Dryland soybeans, along with pasture and hay meadows, were beginning to show stress due to hot, dry weather. Corn and rice harvest was occurring at a rapid pace.”

- Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Harvest is in full swing for rice, corn, and grain sorghum. Soybean crop is mostly late with many fields requiring late irrigation. Insect treatments and irrigation have been terminated on cotton with limited defoliation taking place. Most reported yields are just average with quite a bit of variability.”

- Russ Parker, Crittenden County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending September 8, 2019

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm ¹	DFN ²	One Week	Rain Days	DFN ²	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN ²
Northwest										
Kingston	84.9	69.1	77.0	72.8	4.2	0.02	1	(NA)	2.32	(NA)
Lead Hill	88.6	65.9	77.2	71.9	5.3	0.00	0	-0.87	4.41	1.52
Winslow	86.1	71.0	78.6	(NA)	(NA)	0.39	1	(NA)	5.31	(NA)
Extreme/Average	86.5	68.7	77.6	72.4	4.7	0.14	1	-0.87	4.01	1.52
North Central										
Calico Rock	88.0	65.2	76.6	72.7	3.8	0.00	0	-0.68	3.91	1.28
Evening Shade	88.8	66.0	77.4	75.3	1.9	0.00	0	-0.57	6.56	4.09
Gilbert	90.2	67.0	78.6	74.3	4.1	0.00	0	-0.73	4.26	1.71
Mammoth Spring	90.0	65.4	77.7	72.7	5.0	0.00	0	-0.83	5.40	2.53
Mountain Home	89.6	68.4	79.0	74.8	4.2	0.21	1	-0.77	7.18	3.98
Mountain View	92.5	68.8	80.7	75.0	5.5	0.00	0	-0.73	2.31	-0.86
Extreme/Average	89.8	66.8	78.3	74.1	4.1	0.03	1	-0.72	4.94	2.12
Northeast										
Corning	89.4	68.0	78.7	75.3	3.4	0.00	0	-0.69	4.28	1.86
Jonesboro	89.7	67.3	78.5	75.3	3.2	0.00	0	-0.61	4.16	1.92
Keiser	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	77.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.03	-0.33
Newport	89.7	70.9	80.3	76.4	3.8	0.00	0	-0.67	2.77	0.38
Pocahontas	90.6	68.3	79.4	74.3	5.1	0.00	0	-0.79	4.47	1.52
Searcy	91.5	71.8	81.6	76.8	4.6	0.00	0	-0.42	2.79	0.71
Extreme/Average	90.2	69.3	79.7	75.9	4.0	0.00	0	-0.64	3.08	1.01
West Central										
Booneville	92.3	68.6	80.4	76.0	4.5	0.00	0	-0.88	3.75	0.96
Dardanelle	93.4	69.3	81.4	77.5	3.8	0.00	0	(NA)	2.77	(NA)
Mena	94.1	65.0	79.6	74.7	4.9	0.00	0	-1.01	0.98	-1.68
Subiaco	91.0	69.3	80.1	76.5	3.6	0.05	1	-0.83	7.03	4.05
Waldron	93.5	67.2	80.3	75.0	5.3	0.00	0	-0.83	5.21	2.33
Extreme/Average	92.9	67.9	80.4	76.0	4.4	0.01	1	-0.89	3.95	1.42
Central										
Alum Fork	91.3	69.9	80.6	75.6	5.0	0.00	0	-0.94	5.49	2.51
Cabot	93.7	69.1	81.4	77.1	4.3	0.00	0	-0.75	3.65	0.98
Conway	94.9	70.3	82.6	76.8	5.8	0.00	0	-0.68	1.93	-0.58
Hot Springs	94.6	72.1	83.4	78.0	5.3	0.00	0	-0.92	4.39	1.51
Morrilton	94.6	69.1	81.9	76.2	5.6	0.00	0	-0.72	2.68	0.12
Extreme/Average	93.8	70.1	82.0	76.8	5.2	0.00	0	-0.80	3.63	0.91
East Central										
Brinkley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	76.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Des Arc	91.2	71.8	81.5	77.6	3.8	0.00	0	-0.55	0.92	-1.20
Keo	92.1	70.4	81.3	77.0	4.3	0.00	0	-0.63	3.93	1.97
Stuttgart	89.6	72.2	80.9	77.4	3.2	0.00	0	-0.36	1.30	-0.52
West Memphis	92.6	71.8	82.2	77.6	4.4	0.00	0	-0.46	2.31	0.43
Extreme/Average	91.4	71.5	81.5	77.3	4.0	0.00	0	-0.50	2.12	0.17
Southwest										
Ashdown	97.7	71.8	84.8	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	0	-0.72	0.69	-1.77
De Queen	94.6	71.0	82.8	77.8	4.7	0.00	0	-0.46	1.70	-0.35
Hope	94.6	70.0	82.3	77.7	4.6	0.00	0	-0.90	1.12	-1.93
Murfreesboro	94.0	66.4	80.2	75.7	4.5	0.08	1	-0.76	2.26	-0.67
Nashville	97.3	69.7	83.5	79.3	4.4	0.00	0	-0.70	1.14	-1.35
Extreme/Average	95.6	69.8	82.7	77.6	4.6	0.02	1	-0.71	1.38	-1.21
South Central										
Camden	95.3	69.7	82.5	77.6	4.9	0.00	0	-0.77	0.32	-2.17
Fordyce	94.6	69.3	81.9	76.4	5.5	0.00	0	-0.68	1.09	-1.27
Magnolia	96.0	69.0	82.5	77.9	4.6	0.00	0	-0.72	0.77	-1.45
Prescott	94.0	68.0	81.0	76.8	3.8	0.00	0	-0.48	0.28	-2.07
Sparkman	95.2	68.5	81.8	76.8	5.0	0.00	0	-0.65	0.24	-1.80
Extreme/Average	95.0	68.9	82.0	77.1	4.8	0.00	0	-0.66	0.54	-1.75
Southeast										
Crossett	101.3	69.6	85.4	77.3	8.1	0.00	0	-0.69	1.14	-1.91
Eudora	98.8	71.0	84.9	80.0	5.0	0.00	0	-0.71	2.11	-0.69
Pine Bluff	93.1	71.9	82.5	78.4	4.1	0.00	0	-0.69	3.30	0.81
Portland	97.7	69.3	83.5	78.2	5.3	0.00	0	-0.67	1.29	-1.25
Rohwer	93.0	71.0	82.0	78.0	4.0	0.00	0	-0.55	0.69	-1.42
Extreme/Average	96.8	70.6	83.7	78.4	5.3	0.00	0	-0.66	1.71	-0.89
State	92.4	69.3	80.8	76.2	4.5	0.02	0	-0.71	2.79	0.37

(NA) Not available.

¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

² Departure from normal.