



Tennessee Crop Weather

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For the Week Ending April 3, 2016

RAIN AND COOLER TEMPERATURES SLOW PLANTING

Rains, sometimes heavy, arrived mid-week, curtailing most fieldwork. Up to that point, though, corn producers had made excellent planting progress. Wheat condition remained good to excellent. There were 3.7 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was 3 percent short, 70 percent adequate and 27 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture levels were 3 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 25 percent surplus.

County Agent Comments

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2013	Five Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn – Planted	6	N/A	1	6	Wheat	0	2	18	55	25
Wheat – Jointing	30	N/A	21	31	Pasture	2	8	36	46	8
Apples – Full Bloom	24	N/A	16	20	Cattle	0	3	25	61	11

Heavy rains on Thursday and Friday of this past week have brought field activities to a slow pace or standstill. Producers are still completing burndown applications and trying to get some corn planted as dryer soil conditions allow. Wheat seems to be progressing well at this point in time. **Tim Campbell, Dyer County**

Wheat crop is progressing very well. Rain in the mid-week prevented planting from beginning. **Walter Battle, Haywood County**

Rain and cooler temperatures have slowed planting season down. **Jake Mallard, Madison County**

Sunshine and low wind conditions allowed producers to get the majority of their pre-plant burn-down herbicide applications completed. Corn planting is ahead of schedule for late March. Approximately 2.5"-3" of rainfall late week halted all field work. **Jeff Lannom, Weakley County**

Giles County was hit by several storms this week. Rainfall anywhere from 2 to 6 inches across the county. Reports of a few trees down due to wind but most damage being reported was done by water. Some road damage due to washing. Bottom fields next to creeks and the Elk River are under water. **Kevin Rose, Giles County**

We got 3 inches of much needed rain on Thursday night and Friday morning. Things are really busting out in bloom with the warm weather. **Larry Moorehead, Moore County**

Drier week and some field work done. Pasture and hay field fertilization continues. **A. Ruth Correll, Wilson County**

Dry conditions persisted into mid-week allowing producers to catch up on field activities. Storms on Thursday produced from 2.0 - 4.5 inches of rain. Temperatures remain seasonable. Corn producers are off to a good start with about 20% of the crop planted before rain moved in. Several producers actually stopped planting for fear of planting too much too early. A few of the earliest acres planted are beginning to spike. A number of forage producers were busy applying herbicides, cool season pastures are taking advantage of rain and temperatures. Wheat continues to progress with little insect or disease pressure. **Ed Burns, Franklin County**

Weekly rains have maintained soil moisture but slowed fields activities somewhat. **John Wilson, Blount County**

Was very dry till last week's 1" rain. **John Goddard, Loudon County**

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION
For week ending: April 3, 2016 (with comparisons)

LOCATION	TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION					
	Week Ending April 3, 2016				Current Week 04/03/2016	Rain Days	Current Since January 1	Departure From Normal January 1	Current Since April 1	Departure From Normal April 1
	HI	LO	AVG	DFN						
West										
Ames_Plantation	76	38	56	2	2.42	3	18.95	3.41	0.34	-0.23
Bolivar_Wtr_Wks	75	36	55	0	3.06	3	17.61	2.53	0.60	0.06
Brownsville	76	39	56	1	3.24	3	22.85	8.26	0.73	0.25
Covington_3SW	74	39	55	-1	2.88	2	18.86	4.25	0.88	0.34
Dresden	74	36	55	2	3.00	3	15.13	0.80	0.57	0.07
Dyersburg_AP	77	39	57	-1	3.01	3	14.46	1.15	0.35	-0.13
Henderson_4W	73	34	54	-3	3.91	3	20.18	5.66	0.80	0.32
Huntingdon_Wate	73	37	55	4	2.90	3	18.26	3.44	0.20	-0.28
Jackson_Exp_Stn	77	32	55	-2	3.68	3	19.83	5.31	0.91	0.43
Lexington_Ag	75	36	55	1	3.27	3	14.93	0.96	0.77	0.30
Memphis_WFO	78	40	58	3	3.09	2	24.58	10.39	0.42	-0.11
Milan_Exp_Stn	76	35	55	3	3.10	3	19.26	4.84	0.22	-0.26
Paris_2SE	74	34	55	2	2.71	3	17.98	3.40	0.61	0.13
Selmer	76	35	55	0	3.51	3	15.53	-0.49	0.87	0.35
Union_City_AP	77	36	55	3	2.54	3	14.55	1.21	0.34	-0.14
Middle										
Bethpage_1S	73	31	53	-1	1.13	3	11.56	-2.97	0.65	0.20
Carthage	75	33	55	3	1.29	3	11.60	-3.11	0.70	0.27
Centerville_4NE	77	35	55	-1	0.97	3	13.12	-1.85	0.22	-0.27
Cheatham_L_D	77	31	54	3	1.82	3	13.47	-0.82	0.75	0.30
Clarksville_AP	74	32	55	2	2.12	3	13.94	-0.37	0.57	0.12
Coalmont	69	31	52	0	3.56	2	18.80	0.07	3.38	2.81
Columbia_3WNW	77	33	54	3	1.91	2	12.39	-3.58	1.67	1.14
Cookeville	75	32	53	2	1.35	3	14.72	-1.55	1.12	0.64
Crossville_AP	77	33	57	7	1.74	2	14.54	-1.68	1.67	1.17
Dover_1W	76	34	55	2	2.60	3	16.62	1.81	0.70	0.22
Fayetteville_Wt	77	34	57	3	4.87	2	20.44	3.46	3.44	2.92
Franklin	70	31	51	-2	0.97	3	12.05	-2.98	0.59	0.13
Hohenwald	73	36	54	-2	2.12	3	15.12	-1.37	1.06	0.51
Jamestown	72	28	52	2	0.81	2	12.75	-2.29	0.58	0.14
Kingston_Spring	77	31	54	2	1.33	3	13.01	-1.37	0.64	0.19
Lobelville	76	33	54	-1	1.96	4	16.71	0.80	0.82	0.34
Monteagle	71	34	52	0	2.96	4	18.41	-0.32	2.54	1.97
Murfreesboro_5N	76	33	54	1	1.17	3	12.79	-2.23	0.74	0.27
Nashville_Metro	77	37	58	4	0.86	3	11.26	-1.82	0.42	0.01
Shelbyville_Wtr	76	35	56	2	1.53	3	14.51	-1.71	0.02	-0.47
Sparta_WWTP	76	33	55	-1	1.33	3	13.57	-2.60	1.28	0.81
Springfield_Exp	77	32	55	3	1.60	3	12.64	-1.06	0.83	0.40
Tennessee_Ridge	75	36	56	4	2.54	3	16.19	0.67	0.70	0.21
Wartrace_6E	72	37	54	1	2.00	3	14.65	-3.20	1.60	1.04
Waynesboro_Ag	76	37	56	3	2.71	4	15.72	-1.26	1.10	0.56
East										
Athens	77	38	56	4	1.71	2	15.10	-2.95	1.55	1.01
Chattanooga_Lov	74	41	59	5	1.29	2	14.45	-2.65	1.16	0.67
Gatlinburg_2SW	76	31	55	5	1.30	3	11.61	-3.71	0.93	0.46
Greenville_Exp	72	31	55	7	0.78	2	9.46	-2.38	0.67	0.28
Kingston_Ag	71	38	55	4	2.02	2	15.62	-1.82	1.82	1.32
Knoxville_AP	77	38	58	5	0.95	2	13.14	-1.18	0.80	0.38
Lenior_City	73	36	55	2	1.24	2	14.27	-1.87	1.08	0.60
Morristown_Radi	74	35	55	4	1.35	3	11.01	-2.28	1.08	0.71
Oak_Ridge	76	36	58	5	1.33	2	15.60	-0.38	1.23	0.76
Roan_Mtn_2SE	70	29	49	6	1.00	2	10.36	-3.14	0.90	0.46
Rogersville_1NE	74	33	54	2	1.20	1	12.33	0.06	1.20	0.84
Townsend_5S	74	36	54	4	1.79	2	15.10	-0.22	1.60	1.13
Tri-City_RGNL_A	74	32	56	6	0.63	2	8.86	-2.41	0.62	0.29

DFN = Departure from Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period). Rain Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more during the week. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) measured in inches.