



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Week Ending April 23, 2017

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 4.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 23, 2017**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 5 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 8 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 22 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 51.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 65.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Stuttgart. Highs ranged from 65.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston and Lead Hill to 84.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Crossett. Precipitation was received throughout the state, with the highest concentration occurring in the northwest part of the state with an average of 4.60 inches.

Crop progress for week ending April 23, 2017

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, planted	92	82	89	77
Corn, emerged	79	54	69	58
Cotton, planted	7	3	3	7
Cotton, emerged	1	NA	NA	NA
Peanuts, planted	15	3	4	1
Peanuts, emerged	1	NA	NA	NA
Rice, planted	84	67	72	51
Rice, emerged	51	23	36	27
Sorghum, planted	46	30	28	40
Sorghum, emerged	11	3	15	22
Soybeans, planted	39	24	16	15
Soybeans, emerged	21	8	5	6
Winter Wheat, headed	96	89	54	44
Winter Wheat, coloring	4	0	NA	NA

Crop condition for week ending April 23, 2017

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	1	4	19	60	16
Hay, alfalfa	2	2	46	50	0
Hay, other	3	5	40	45	7
Livestock	2	2	30	55	11
Pasture	1	8	32	47	12
Rice	3	4	25	53	15
Winter Wheat	2	5	20	60	13

NA = Not Available.

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Producers were spraying pastures for weeds and working cattle. Also, producers began planting melons and cantaloupes during the week.”

-J. Joe Moore, Sharp County

“Farmers on the southern end of the county finished planting rice and corn. Early week rainfall limited planting north of I-40. Cutworm damage is apparent in some rice and corn fields. Soybean planting began south of I-40. Herbicide applications continued on newly planted crops.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Rainfall over the weekend will get most of our rice crop up. Most emergent corn is between one and three leaves and looks good. Levees have been pulled for many rice fields.”

-Dave Freeze, Greene County

“Warmer day-time temperatures aided the establishment and growth of warm season perennial forages. Cool night-time temperatures were maintaining cool season forages. Grazing quality was good and getting better. Lawns and gardens were benefitting from temperatures and scattered rain showers.”

-Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

“Rain, once again, halted planting progress. Rice fields were starting to emerge. Pastures and hay fields were fertilized ahead of the rains.”

-Kevin Lawson, Perry County

“Rain during the latter part of the week prevented most row crop fieldwork. Herbicide applications, rice and corn planting, and fertilization were main row crop activities. A small amount of cool season annuals were harvested as haylage during the week.”

-Mike Andrews, Randolph County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending April 23, 2017

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	65.9	51.6	58.7	57.5	1.2	4.78	4	NA	7.51	NA
Lead Hill	65.9	52.4	59.1	56.3	2.8	4.23	5	3.21	7.62	3.60
Winslow	66.9	52.7	59.8	NA	NA	4.79	5	NA	7.60	NA
Extreme/Average	66.2	52.2	59.2	56.9	2.0	4.60	5	3.21	7.58	3.60
North Central										
Calico Rock	69.6	53.4	61.5	58.3	3.2	3.56	5	2.47	6.38	2.03
Evening Shade	71.0	54.1	62.6	60.0	2.6	5.26	5	4.15	8.30	4.08
Gilbert	72.3	55.9	64.1	59.1	5.0	4.27	3	3.21	7.95	3.80
Mammoth Spring	70.9	54.0	62.4	58.1	4.4	2.38	4	1.21	5.92	1.59
Mountain Home	68.7	53.7	61.2	59.6	1.7	4.90	4	3.77	8.08	3.68
Mountain View	72.1	55.4	63.8	60.5	3.3	4.65	5	3.45	9.10	4.80
Extreme/Average	70.8	54.4	62.6	59.3	3.4	4.17	5	3.04	7.62	3.33
Northeast										
Corning	72.0	56.3	64.1	61.6	2.5	2.64	5	1.58	4.15	-0.04
Jonesboro	73.6	57.4	65.5	61.0	4.5	2.23	3	1.06	3.73	-0.49
Keiser	83.2	64.0	73.6	62.8	11.1	0.13	2	-0.69	0.92	-3.17
Newport	73.6	58.4	66.0	61.9	4.1	1.10	4	-0.07	2.40	-1.90
Pocahontas	73.0	55.4	64.2	59.6	4.6	2.14	3	1.04	4.04	-0.11
Searcy	75.4	58.1	66.8	61.6	5.1	2.41	5	1.22	4.26	-0.03
Extreme/Average	75.1	58.3	66.7	61.4	5.3	1.78	5	0.69	3.25	-0.96
West Central										
Booneville	73.3	54.7	64.0	61.3	2.7	1.54	4	0.60	4.56	1.27
Dardanelle	78.7	56.1	67.4	63.4	4.1	1.80	2	NA	4.63	NA
Mena	74.4	55.6	65.0	59.7	5.3	2.02	4	0.65	4.95	0.09
Subiaco	73.9	57.1	65.5	61.9	3.6	2.38	4	1.30	4.76	0.87
Waldron	77.1	56.1	66.6	60.8	5.8	1.96	3	0.76	4.39	0.39
Extreme/Average	75.5	55.9	65.7	61.4	4.3	1.94	4	0.83	4.66	0.66
Central										
Alum Fork	73.4	58.1	65.8	60.8	5.0	1.02	4	-0.20	3.12	-1.59
Cabot	76.0	58.0	67.0	61.5	5.5	1.12	3	-0.06	3.81	-0.29
Conway	76.3	57.7	67.0	61.6	5.4	0.90	4	-0.22	3.25	-1.14
Hot Springs	76.9	59.7	68.3	62.9	5.4	1.33	4	0.14	3.96	-0.83
Morrilton	74.6	57.1	65.9	61.0	4.8	1.78	4	0.66	4.07	-0.13
Extreme/Average	75.4	58.1	66.8	61.6	5.2	1.23	4	0.06	3.64	-0.80
East Central										
Brinkley	NA	NA	NA	62.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.30	-0.43
Des Arc	73.9	60.0	66.9	63.6	3.4	2.02	4	0.81	4.25	-0.45
Keo	73.8	59.5	66.7	64.5	2.2	2.08	3	1.02	3.96	-0.57
Stuttgart	81.6	65.8	73.7	63.0	11.0	NA	0	-0.88	2.61	-1.81
West Memphis	81.2	59.0	70.1	62.5	7.6	2.43	3	1.32	3.32	-0.86
Extreme/Average	77.6	61.1	69.3	63.2	6.0	2.18	4	0.57	2.89	-0.82
Southwest										
Ashdown	78.3	59.7	69.0	NA	NA	1.86	2	0.81	9.92	6.01
Dequeen	76.4	57.3	66.9	61.8	5.0	1.11	2	-0.01	12.01	7.57
Hope	80.5	61.2	70.9	62.8	8.3	0.75	1	0.14	6.73	3.09
Murfreesboro	75.6	55.4	65.5	60.5	5.0	1.70	3	0.52	8.11	3.61
Nashville	79.9	59.1	69.5	63.6	5.9	1.55	3	0.40	8.92	4.60
Extreme/Average	78.1	58.5	68.4	62.2	6.0	1.39	3	0.37	9.14	4.98
South Central										
Camden	82.8	62.2	72.5	63.7	9.0	0.81	3	0.25	5.45	1.96
Fordyce	78.0	59.6	68.8	61.9	6.9	2.81	4	1.76	7.13	2.77
Magnolia	79.3	61.3	70.3	63.4	7.0	0.09	2	-0.46	6.72	4.34
Prescott	80.0	59.0	69.5	62.4	7.5	0.55	2	-0.05	5.58	1.90
Sparkman	76.7	55.4	66.1	62.1	3.9	1.41	5	0.32	6.57	2.22
Extreme/Average	79.4	59.5	69.4	62.7	6.9	1.13	5	0.36	6.29	2.64
Southeast										
Crossett	84.1	62.6	73.4	62.9	10.5	0.84	4	-0.14	3.05	-1.20
Eudora	83.8	63.2	73.5	66.0	8.0	0.13	1	-0.63	3.40	-0.74
Pine Bluff	77.4	58.8	68.1	64.0	4.0	0.92	2	0.07	3.10	-0.84
Portland	82.2	64.2	73.2	64.2	9.3	0.75	2	-0.01	3.16	-0.80
Rohwer	79.3	62.7	71.0	64.3	6.7	1.66	4	0.52	3.38	-0.94
Extreme/Average	81.4	62.3	71.8	64.3	7.7	0.86	4	-0.04	3.22	-0.90
State	75.6	57.9	66.8	61.5	5.3	2.10	4	0.97	5.21	1.16

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.