



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 12, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 10 percent very short, 40 percent short, 44 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 10 percent very short, 46 percent short, 40 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 65.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 72.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Hot Springs. Highs ranged from 83.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 96.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Crossett. Moderate to heavy precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration occurring in the southwest part of the State with an average of 3.45 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 12, 2018

Crop	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Corn, dough	99	95	94	97
Corn, dent	93	86	91	90
Corn, mature	56	37	61	50
Corn, harvested	1	0	4	3
Cotton, open bolls	7	2	6	6
Rice, headed	94	86	91	81
Rice, mature	19	10	17	13
Sorghum, headed	100	99	100	98
Sorghum, coloring	92	82	82	75
Sorghum, mature	62	37	47	27
Soybeans, blooming	100	99	98	94
Soybeans, setting pods	95	91	91	83
Soybeans, turning color	21	14	16	12
Soybeans, dropping leaves	1	0	3	1

Crop condition for week ending August 12, 2018

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Corn	1	6	22	51	20
Cotton	0	4	12	47	37
Hay, alfalfa	3	6	72	18	1
Hay, other	10	26	35	26	3
Livestock	2	9	37	46	6
Pasture	16	29	39	15	1
Peanuts	0	0	12	47	41
Rice	3	8	29	45	15
Sorghum	0	2	55	34	9
Soybeans	3	10	28	46	13

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“We finally received some rain, but it was spotty. Some farmers received good rain, while some received fair rain. Others received just a dust settler. Farmers were working hard to keep up with rice and soybeans irrigation needs. Most corn is approaching maturing, while rice is in the first week or two of heading.”

- Dave Freeze, Greene County

“A much needed rain came through the county in the middle of last week. Rainfall was anywhere from 1.5 to 5 inches. This rain will help pastures, hay fields, and dryland soybeans. Rice is getting close to draining.”

- Richard Klerk, Faulkner County

“Rainfall was sporadic in the county. Amounts ranged from 0.5 to 2 inches. Rice continued to be drained, and a few fields of corn were picked. Soybean irrigation continued with corn earworms being treated. With recent rainfall, hay fields and pastures are recovering from drought conditions.”

- Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Still no significant rainfall, but spotty showers have given producers hope that they can get one more cutting of hay. Producers are starting to look at developing cool season forage crops to offset hay shortage. Selective culling to reduce herd size continued, though markets are weak. Some hardwood timber has begun early dormancy or brown out in county locations with low rainfall.”

- Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

“Irrigation of soybeans, peanuts, and rice continued last week. A few fields of soybeans were sprayed for worms though most fields have not reached threshold. Stink bug levels have been low in most rice fields. A few locations received small amounts of rain in the county, but forages continue to need moisture.”

- Mike Andrews, Randolph County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 12, 2018

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	83.7	68.4	76.1	78.5	-2.5	0.60	3	(NA)	5.96	(NA)
Lead Hill	89.9	66.0	77.9	77.1	0.9	0.95	3	0.22	3.85	0.69
Winslow	87.7	70.2	78.9	(NA)	(NA)	0.89	1	(NA)	4.28	(NA)
Extreme/Average	87.1	68.2	77.6	77.8	-0.8	0.81	3	0.22	4.70	0.69
North Central										
Calico Rock	89.1	65.3	77.2	77.7	-0.5	2.23	3	1.52	5.11	2.07
Evening Shade	89.1	67.3	78.2	80.2	-2.0	0.64	3	-0.04	5.13	1.77
Gilbert	90.6	67.0	78.8	79.5	-0.7	0.83	3	0.17	4.96	2.12
Mammoth Spring	89.9	66.0	77.9	77.8	0.1	0.86	3	0.20	6.67	3.73
Mountain Home	91.9	68.3	80.1	79.5	0.6	0.73	3	0.05	2.15	-0.69
Mountain View	91.3	68.7	80.0	79.7	0.3	0.53	2	-0.41	3.88	0.28
Extreme/Average	90.3	67.1	78.7	79.1	-0.4	0.97	3	0.25	4.65	1.55
Northeast										
Corning	92.4	71.3	81.9	80.1	1.8	0.33	2	-0.36	1.09	-0.69
Jonesboro	88.2	70.8	79.5	80.2	-0.7	0.41	2	-0.13	4.81	1.93
Keiser	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.63	-0.46
Newport	93.1	69.9	81.5	80.9	0.6	1.85	3	1.22	3.21	0.10
Pocahontas	90.9	69.7	80.3	79.4	0.9	1.78	3	1.06	2.20	-0.68
Searcy	94.2	71.3	82.8	81.3	1.5	2.51	3	1.86	4.69	1.60
Extreme/Average	91.8	70.6	81.2	80.5	0.8	1.38	3	0.73	2.94	0.30
West Central										
Booneville	91.6	70.3	80.9	80.8	0.1	0.71	1	0.06	1.93	-0.82
Dardanelle	92.4	69.7	81.1	82.0	-0.9	1.42	2	(NA)	3.22	(NA)
Mena	87.3	66.3	76.8	79.0	-2.2	1.54	4	0.89	6.49	2.70
Subiaco	94.3	72.3	83.3	81.1	2.2	2.10	3	1.49	3.67	0.82
Waldron	89.7	68.4	79.1	79.8	-0.7	1.53	2	0.85	7.01	4.18
Extreme/Average	91.1	69.4	80.2	80.5	-0.3	1.46	4	0.82	4.46	1.72
Central										
Alum Fork	92.0	69.0	80.5	79.8	0.7	2.49	4	1.78	4.53	1.21
Cabot	92.9	67.9	80.4	81.1	-0.7	2.55	3	1.89	6.33	3.77
Conway	92.7	69.6	81.1	81.3	-0.2	4.66	3	4.07	5.48	3.13
Hot Springs	92.2	72.8	82.5	82.6	-0.1	1.90	2	1.37	5.12	1.66
Morrilton	92.7	69.4	81.1	80.7	0.4	2.60	3	2.01	4.96	2.38
Extreme/Average	92.5	69.7	81.1	81.1	0.0	2.84	4	2.22	5.28	2.43
East Central										
Brinkley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Des Arc	90.9	72.6	81.7	82.2	-0.4	0.42	1	0.09	2.52	0.14
Keo	90.1	69.1	79.6	81.0	-1.3	3.06	3	2.59	6.58	4.11
Stuttgart	90.8	71.6	81.2	81.3	-0.1	0.27	1	-0.38	2.66	-0.23
West Memphis	88.6	72.0	80.3	81.1	-0.8	0.00	0	-0.71	3.00	0.15
Extreme/Average	90.1	71.3	80.7	81.3	-0.7	0.94	3	0.40	3.69	1.04
Southwest										
Ashdown	94.2	72.0	83.1	(NA)	(NA)	1.60	2	1.16	3.54	1.03
De Queen	92.2	70.8	81.5	81.8	-0.3	2.02	2	1.62	3.59	1.23
Hope	94.3	72.7	83.5	81.8	1.7	0.00	0	-0.27	2.89	0.47
Murfreesboro	89.3	68.1	78.7	79.5	-0.8	9.50	2	8.71	10.79	7.27
Nashville	92.0	71.3	81.6	82.9	-1.3	4.13	3	3.44	7.04	3.86
Extreme/Average	92.4	71.0	81.7	81.5	-0.2	3.45	3	2.93	5.57	2.77
South Central										
Camden	89.9	70.0	79.9	81.8	-1.9	1.90	2	1.25	3.79	1.53
Fordyce	90.9	70.1	80.5	80.2	0.3	3.38	3	2.68	6.46	3.36
Magnolia	90.3	70.3	80.3	81.5	-1.2	0.08	1	-0.19	0.08	-0.74
Prescott	92.8	70.0	81.4	80.8	0.6	3.24	2	2.88	6.16	3.43
Sparkman	90.6	71.9	81.2	80.8	0.5	3.08	2	2.47	4.76	1.85
Extreme/Average	90.9	70.5	80.7	81.0	-0.4	2.34	3	1.82	4.25	1.89
Southeast										
Crossett	96.4	71.7	84.6	81.0	3.6	1.35	3	0.52	3.85	0.70
Eudora	93.4	67.3	80.4	83.3	-3.0	2.90	4	2.12	6.41	3.37
Pine Bluff	93.0	72.6	82.8	82.2	0.6	2.13	1	1.52	4.00	0.81
Portland	90.6	68.8	79.7	81.5	-1.8	1.05	3	0.35	5.01	1.63
Rohwer	88.7	70.7	79.7	81.6	-1.8	3.11	1	2.50	4.46	1.77
Extreme/Average	92.4	70.2	81.4	81.9	-0.5	2.11	4	1.40	4.75	1.66
State	91.0	69.9	80.4	80.6	-0.2	1.76	3	1.16	4.37	1.51

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.