



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 26, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 15 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 24 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 62.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Mammoth Spring to 69.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashdown. Highs ranged from 77.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 93.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashdown. Moderate precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration occurring in the southeast part of the State with an average of 1.49 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 26, 2018

Crop	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Corn, dent	99	97	96	98
Corn, mature	91	77	84	81
Corn, harvested	14	6	25	20
Cotton, open bolls	33	14	14	16
Rice, headed	99	97	99	96
Rice, mature	59	36	50	43
Rice, harvested	5	1	10	7
Sorghum, coloring	97	95	95	94
Sorghum, mature	91	83	76	63
Sorghum, harvested	19	1	46	19
Soybeans, setting pods	98	97	98	95
Soybeans, turning color	44	26	44	33
Soybeans, dropping leaves	10	2	24	14
Soybeans, harvested	2	0	3	1

Crop condition for week ending August 26, 2018

Item	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Corn	2	7	25	48	18
Cotton	0	2	10	43	45
Hay, alfalfa	3	5	70	22	0
Hay, other	4	18	36	36	6
Livestock	1	7	33	50	9
Pasture	5	15	36	37	7
Peanuts	0	0	10	34	56
Rice	1	5	23	50	21
Sorghum	0	2	46	43	9
Soybeans	2	9	29	46	14

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Several producers cut and baled their second cutting of hay for the season last week. August rains have saved many operations in the county. We had great turnout for our fall forage meetings with several producers indicating that they plan to utilize fall forages and winter annuals to extend their grazing season.”

- Terrell Davis, Pike County

“Recent rains have delayed rice and corn harvest. The dry weather forecast for next week will allow producers to get into full harvest mode. Moderate temperatures during grain fill should result in good milling grades on rice.”

- Rick Wimberley, Cross County

“County wide rainfall benefited all crops and pasture. Rice and corn harvest began late last week as grain and fields dried. Early yield reports are fair to good. Soybean crop is progressing rapidly toward maturity. Rainfall will allow pasture and hay meadows to recover for a final hay cutting.”

- Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Rain is still desperately needed in south central Arkansas. Fast moving storms haven't brought enough moisture. Armyworms still present in roughly 80% of forage. Producers are reporting hay production at less than half of 2017. Hot, dry weather is great for curing hay, but there is very little hay to cure. We are beginning to see early brown out in larger hardwood forests.”

- Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

“Producers were preparing for corn harvest. Rice fields were starting to be drained. Soybean fields were being scouted for worms and stinkbugs, but not many were found. Pastures and hay fields were being sprayed for armyworms.”

- Richard Klerk, Faulkner County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 26, 2018

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	77.9	64.6	71.2	76.7	-5.5	0.54	2	(NA)	5.54	(NA)
Lead Hill	83.2	63.7	73.7	75.5	-1.9	0.49	3	-0.18	4.12	1.30
Winslow	79.2	65.5	72.3	(NA)	(NA)	0.55	2	(NA)	7.91	(NA)
Extreme/Average	80.1	64.6	72.4	76.1	-3.7	0.53	3	-0.18	5.86	1.30
North Central										
Calico Rock	82.7	63.3	73.0	76.1	-3.1	0.33	2	-0.33	5.00	2.23
Evening Shade	84.1	64.3	74.2	78.7	-4.5	0.59	1	-0.04	2.98	0.42
Gilbert	84.4	65.3	74.9	77.8	-2.9	0.60	2	-0.01	6.14	3.56
Mammoth Spring	83.9	62.6	73.2	76.3	-3.0	1.04	2	0.36	4.01	1.33
Mountain Home	84.3	66.1	75.2	78.3	-3.1	1.20	3	0.44	3.40	0.59
Mountain View	85.1	66.1	75.6	78.3	-2.7	1.32	2	0.56	7.35	3.84
Extreme/Average	84.1	64.6	74.4	77.6	-3.2	0.85	3	0.16	4.81	2.00
Northeast										
Corning	84.2	64.7	74.4	78.6	-4.3	1.73	3	1.25	6.85	4.44
Jonesboro	85.1	65.1	75.1	78.7	-3.5	0.48	2	-0.07	9.01	6.29
Keiser	84.6	67.8	76.2	80.0	-4.0	0.21	2	-0.15	4.40	2.30
Newport	85.0	67.6	76.3	79.6	-3.3	1.15	1	0.57	5.91	3.43
Pocahontas	85.4	63.4	74.4	77.8	-3.3	0.86	2	0.11	7.50	4.60
Searcy	85.3	65.5	75.4	79.9	-4.6	0.90	1	0.40	5.45	3.12
Extreme/Average	84.9	65.7	75.3	79.1	-3.9	0.89	3	0.35	6.52	4.03
West Central										
Booneville	86.9	68.6	77.7	79.2	-1.5	0.09	1	-0.52	9.72	7.13
Dardanelle	87.6	67.9	77.7	80.7	-3.0	0.61	1	(NA)	8.28	(NA)
Mena	85.7	65.0	75.4	77.7	-2.4	0.14	1	-0.43	8.96	6.38
Subiaco	88.3	68.7	78.5	79.7	-1.2	0.50	2	-0.19	5.57	3.05
Waldron	87.1	66.6	76.9	78.4	-1.5	0.00	0	-0.68	10.49	7.74
Extreme/Average	87.1	67.4	77.2	79.2	-1.9	0.27	2	-0.46	8.60	6.08
Central										
Alum Fork	85.4	66.0	75.7	78.5	-2.8	1.53	2	0.85	8.05	5.24
Cabot	88.7	66.9	77.8	80.0	-2.2	1.49	2	0.82	6.66	3.99
Conway	87.7	67.0	77.4	80.0	-2.7	0.72	3	0.09	8.75	6.66
Hot Springs	89.1	69.6	79.4	81.3	-1.9	0.33	1	-0.34	5.47	2.63
Morrilton	87.3	66.7	77.0	79.3	-2.3	0.62	2	-0.02	7.90	5.46
Extreme/Average	87.6	67.2	77.4	79.8	-2.4	0.94	3	0.28	7.37	4.80
East Central										
Brinkley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Des Arc	87.7	69.6	78.6	80.8	-2.1	1.29	2	0.77	4.65	2.76
Keo	86.3	67.4	76.9	79.7	-2.9	0.80	1	0.36	5.97	4.08
Stuttgart	86.2	67.6	76.9	80.2	-3.5	2.40	1	2.07	3.56	1.39
West Memphis	85.0	67.5	76.3	80.2	-4.0	0.80	2	0.28	3.40	0.97
Extreme/Average	86.3	68.0	77.2	80.1	-3.1	1.32	2	0.87	4.39	2.30
Southwest										
Ashdown	93.7	69.7	81.7	(NA)	(NA)	0.21	1	-0.38	3.64	1.25
De Queen	89.0	67.2	78.1	80.8	-2.9	0.54	2	0.15	5.73	3.72
Hope	90.7	68.3	79.5	80.6	-1.1	0.33	1	-0.43	7.61	4.88
Murfreesboro	87.5	66.3	76.9	78.4	-1.5	0.98	1	0.38	12.56	9.67
Nashville	91.6	68.7	80.1	82.0	-1.9	0.40	1	-0.21	7.03	4.43
Extreme/Average	90.5	68.0	79.3	80.5	-1.8	0.49	2	-0.10	7.31	4.79
South Central										
Camden	89.5	68.3	78.9	80.6	-1.6	0.00	0	-0.49	4.72	2.28
Fordyce	88.7	67.4	78.1	79.3	-1.2	0.64	1	0.08	7.74	5.15
Magnolia	92.1	68.4	80.3	80.6	-0.3	0.03	1	-0.66	2.37	0.79
Prescott	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	79.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	4.94	3.89
Sparkman	88.7	68.6	78.6	79.5	-0.9	0.22	1	-0.37	6.23	3.86
Extreme/Average	89.8	68.2	79.0	79.9	-1.0	0.22	1	-0.36	5.20	3.19
Southeast										
Crossett	93.2	69.0	80.7	79.9	0.9	0.00	0	-0.75	5.43	2.27
Eudora	91.1	65.4	78.3	82.5	-4.2	1.43	2	0.63	8.93	5.98
Pine Bluff	88.8	69.3	79.1	81.1	-2.0	2.92	1	2.40	6.70	4.12
Portland	87.8	67.8	77.8	80.7	-3.0	0.64	2	0.18	6.98	4.43
Rohwer	85.9	68.6	77.2	80.6	-3.4	2.45	2	1.95	8.24	5.87
Extreme/Average	89.4	68.0	78.6	81.0	-2.4	1.49	2	0.88	7.26	4.53
State	86.7	66.9	76.8	79.3	-2.6	0.77	2	0.16	6.32	3.69

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.