



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Week Ending May 1, 2016

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, May 1, 2016**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 44 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 5 percent short, 61 percent adequate, and 34 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 45.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 64.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. Highs ranged from 72.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 83.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Crossett. The precipitation for this week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the southwest region of the state with an average of 5.51 inches.

Crop progress for week ending May 1, 2016

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, planted	96	90	89	87
Corn, emerged	89	73	68	71
Cotton, planted	36	3	15	19
Cotton, emerged	3	NA	6	7
Peanuts, planted	44	5	NA	NA
Rice, planted	87	75	56	59
Rice, emerged	66	40	29	39
Sorghum, planted	43	30	58	59
Sorghum, emerged	27	17	34	39
Soybeans, planted	32	17	24	24
Soybeans, emerged	17	6	13	12
Winter Wheat, headed	84	58	72	71

NA = Not Available.

Crop condition for week ending May 1, 2016

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	7	3	41	38	11
Hay, alfalfa	6	0	73	17	4
Hay, other	3	5	40	45	7
Livestock	2	3	28	56	11
Pasture	1	7	32	50	10
Winter Wheat	3	6	34	45	12

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Rain during the week slowed row crop planting progress. Applying herbicides to all crops, planting peanuts and soybeans were main row crop activity for the week. There are still a few livestock producers spraying pastures to control early weeds. Forages made good growth during the week.”

- Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“Rainfall totals from Friday thru Sunday morning ranged from 3 to 4 inches. Reports of some rice levees washed out and standing water in crops due to drainage ditches being full.”

-Grant Beckwith, Arkansas County

“So far, crops are off to a good start. Planting is a little ahead of schedule. We are seeing disease pressure with wheat in susceptible varieties. Forecast rains for the weekend will benefit most crops if not too heavy, and without hail.”

- Russ Parker, Crittenden County

“Rice, corn, soybean, cotton, and milo planting was in full swing until 5" rain shut down operations until fields dry out. Herbicide and fertilizer applications to field crops while ground was dry. Waiting on dry weather to resume production planting and fertilizer and herbicide applications.”

- Keith Perkins, Lonoke County

“Scattered rainfall limited some field work early week and heavy rainfall halted all field work end of the week. Rice planting continued with soybean planting moving forward. Herbicide applications continued for corn and rice with early corn receiving layby Nitrogen. Face flies and gnats continue to trouble livestock.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Found Kudzu bugs in St. Francis County this week. They were aggregated heavily on a sweet potato vine. More groups of kudzu bugs have been on patches of kudzu as well.”

-Cody Griffin, Saint Francis County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending May 8, 2016

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	72.4	45.1	58.8	59.5	-0.7	2.46	3	NA	3.23	NA
Lead Hill	74.7	51.6	63.1	58.6	4.5	2.20	2	1.14	3.00	-0.91
Winslow	74.3	53.3	63.8	NA	NA	2.96	4	NA	4.07	NA
Extreme/Average	73.8	50.0	61.9	59.1	1.9	2.54	4	1.14	3.43	-0.91
North Central										
Calico Rock	75.3	50.8	63.1	60.7	2.3	3.68	3	2.74	4.55	0.37
Evening Shade	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Gilbert	76.9	53.4	65.1	61.5	3.7	3.32	3	2.25	4.08	-0.08
Mammoth Spring	77.7	52.7	65.2	60.3	4.9	2.63	3	1.46	3.63	-0.78
Mountain Home	75.7	54.4	65.1	61.7	3.4	3.84	3	2.67	4.87	0.44
Mountain View	76.9	55.7	66.3	62.6	3.7	2.95	3	1.68	4.34	-0.36
Extreme/Average	76.5	53.4	65.0	61.3	3.6	3.28	3	2.16	4.29	-0.08
Northeast										
Corning	77.7	57.0	67.4	64.0	3.4	2.60	4	1.47	5.56	1.30
Jonesboro	77.0	55.7	66.4	63.4	3.0	3.53	2	2.28	4.56	-0.06
Keiser	82.4	63.2	72.8	65.4	7.7	0.07	1	-0.76	4.92	0.80
Newport	76.1	59.0	67.6	64.3	3.3	3.36	3	2.18	4.70	0.15
Pocahontas	75.7	56.0	65.9	62.0	3.8	3.00	4	1.85	5.81	1.66
Searcy	80.0	59.6	69.8	64.1	5.7	3.87	3	2.58	5.69	1.00
Extreme/Average	78.1	58.4	68.3	63.9	4.5	2.74	4	1.60	5.21	0.81
West Central										
Booneville	78.3	56.5	67.4	63.7	3.8	3.52	2	2.46	5.24	1.25
Dardanelle	81.6	57.0	69.3	65.4	3.9	5.38	3	NA	6.40	NA
Mena	77.9	56.3	67.1	61.9	5.1	5.73	3	4.28	9.73	4.56
Subiaco	78.7	56.4	67.6	64.2	3.4	3.06	3	1.93	4.24	0.73
Waldron	78.6	54.9	66.7	63.2	3.5	4.42	3	3.12	7.20	2.80
Extreme/Average	79.0	56.2	67.6	63.7	3.9	4.42	3	2.95	6.56	2.33
Central										
Alum Fork	77.0	57.0	67.0	62.9	4.1	4.03	1	2.77	6.95	2.11
Cabot	78.3	57.7	68.0	63.9	4.1	4.16	3	3.07	6.75	2.86
Conway	81.0	56.4	68.7	63.8	4.9	2.82	3	1.64	4.65	0.11
Hot Springs	77.7	55.6	66.6	65.0	1.6	6.46	4	5.22	10.34	5.53
Morrilton	79.4	56.6	68.0	63.2	4.8	4.06	4	2.89	5.34	1.02
Extreme/Average	78.7	56.7	67.7	63.8	3.9	4.31	4	3.12	6.81	2.33
East Central										
Brinkley	78.3	60.9	69.6	64.8	4.8	3.45	2	2.17	5.80	1.12
Des Arc	79.3	61.6	70.4	65.9	4.6	5.24	3	3.96	7.58	2.75
Keo	78.3	60.0	69.1	66.7	2.5	5.54	2	4.31	8.05	3.20
Stuttgart	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Memphis	81.9	63.1	72.5	65.0	7.5	3.08	3	1.75	6.52	1.57
Extreme/Average	79.4	61.4	70.4	65.6	4.8	4.33	3	3.05	6.99	2.16
Southwest										
Ashdown	77.9	57.9	67.9	NA	NA	5.46	4	4.32	9.73	5.68
Dequeen	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hope	82.0	57.7	69.9	65.0	4.8	6.32	3	5.11	11.12	6.80
Murfreesboro	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Nashville	80.3	57.3	68.8	65.9	2.9	4.76	4	3.51	7.90	3.41
Extreme/Average	80.1	57.6	68.8	65.5	3.9	5.51	4	4.31	9.58	5.30
South Central										
Camden	83.2	59.5	71.3	65.8	5.5	2.20	3	1.29	5.85	2.24
Fordyce	80.4	59.0	69.7	64.1	5.6	2.41	2	1.28	5.05	0.73
Magnolia	81.4	61.0	71.2	65.6	5.5	2.74	2	2.03	7.45	4.08
Prescott	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sparkman	79.0	57.3	68.2	64.2	3.9	3.92	3	3.04	4.65	1.11
Extreme/Average	81.0	59.2	70.1	64.9	5.1	2.82	3	1.91	5.75	2.04
Southeast										
Crossett	83.9	61.0	72.4	65.0	7.4	3.78	3	2.77	8.92	4.96
Eudora	82.5	64.2	73.3	68.3	4.9	2.29	3	1.24	7.63	2.66
Pine Bluff	79.5	60.5	70.0	66.2	3.6	2.30	3	1.07	3.42	-1.00
Portland	82.6	63.0	72.8	66.5	6.5	0.28	2	-0.50	3.23	-0.61
Rohwer	78.3	63.9	71.1	66.8	4.3	1.97	4	0.80	4.73	0.56
Extreme/Average	81.4	62.5	71.9	66.6	5.4	2.12	4	1.08	5.59	1.31
State	78.7	57.5	68.1	63.9	4.2	3.57	3	2.38	6.03	1.71

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.

