



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 5, 2018. Topsoil moisture supplies were 19 percent very short, 43 percent short, 35 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 15 percent very short, 52 percent short, 31 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 60.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 69.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Dequeen. Highs ranged from 81.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Hope to 95.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Corning. Moderate precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration occurring in the southwest part of the State with an average of 1.46 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 5, 2018

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, dough	95	92	90	94
Corn, dent	86	77	86	81
Corn, mature	37	19	38	30
Cotton, setting bolls	100	99	97	97
Cotton, open bolls	2	1	3	3
Rice, headed	86	71	82	68
Rice, mature	10	2	5	4
Sorghum, headed	99	97	97	94
Sorghum, coloring	82	58	59	55
Sorghum, mature	37	7	16	8
Soybeans, blooming	99	97	97	91
Soybeans, setting pods	91	86	86	75
Soybeans, turning color	14	5	7	5

Crop condition for week ending August 5, 2018

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	2	6	18	49	25
Cotton	0	4	13	45	38
Hay, alfalfa	2	5	75	17	1
Hay, other	11	30	31	25	3
Livestock	2	12	36	44	6
Pasture	18	30	36	15	1
Peanuts	0	1	12	45	42
Rice	2	10	25	45	18
Sorghum	0	2	64	25	9
Soybeans	3	9	27	46	15

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Much needed rain fell in parts of the county. Other parts are still dangerously dry. Some lucky producers were able to get a second cutting of hay, but the yield and quality is down compared to a normal year. Producers are still selling off cattle due to a lack of stored forages and lack of pasture.”

- Olivia Foster, Carroll County

“Rice was heading, and rice stink bug scouting continued. Soybeans were being scouted for pod feeding worms, but only a few fields have been sprayed. Most of the corn irrigation has been terminated with just a few late fields still needing irrigation. Pastures and hay fields are showing stress from the drought and heat.”

- Richard Klerk, Faulkner County

“Scattered rainfall occurred in areas while irrigation continued where no precipitation occurred. Pod worm pressure continued to increase in soybeans. Early rice was being drained and corn was maturing rapidly. Hay fields and pastures continue to show signs of drought.”

- Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Soybean fields were being sprayed for corn earworms. Rice fields were heading. Rice stink bug numbers remain low. Pastures and hay fields are showing stress from the lack of rain.”

- Kevin Lawson, Perry County

“All crops continued to be irrigated. Early corn is getting close to having irrigation terminated. Insect pressure remained low during the week with the exception of some rice fields which were treated for stink bugs. Forages continue to decline with lack of moisture. Hay production is still running behind on most farms.”

- Mike Andrews, Randolph County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 5, 2018

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	81.6	64.9	73.2	78.5	-5.3	1.62	3	(NA)	5.42	(NA)
Lead Hill	83.7	60.7	72.2	77.3	-5.1	1.16	3	0.38	3.10	-0.13
Winslow	82.3	65.9	74.1	(NA)	(NA)	1.13	2	(NA)	3.50	(NA)
Extreme/Average	82.5	63.8	73.2	77.9	-5.2	1.30	3	0.38	4.01	-0.13
North Central										
Calico Rock	83.7	60.4	72.1	77.9	-5.8	1.13	1	0.36	2.88	-0.30
Evening Shade	81.8	62.8	72.3	80.4	-8.1	0.90	2	0.37	4.55	1.07
Gilbert	85.4	61.7	73.6	79.6	-6.0	2.09	3	1.36	4.13	1.22
Mammoth Spring	84.9	63.0	73.9	78.0	-4.1	1.96	3	1.27	5.82	2.68
Mountain Home	86.1	65.0	75.6	79.5	-4.0	0.46	2	-0.24	1.56	-1.46
Mountain View	86.3	64.0	75.2	79.9	-4.8	2.17	3	1.34	3.40	0.18
Extreme/Average	84.7	62.8	73.8	79.2	-5.5	1.45	3	0.74	3.72	0.57
Northeast										
Corning	95.0	67.0	81.0	80.4	0.8	0.24	1	-0.20	1.34	-0.62
Jonesboro	86.0	64.4	75.2	80.4	-5.2	2.70	2	1.88	4.54	1.53
Keiser	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1.60	-0.91
Newport	86.0	67.7	76.9	81.1	-4.2	0.48	2	-0.23	1.36	-2.02
Pocahontas	88.6	65.1	76.9	79.6	-2.8	0.42	2	-0.31	0.52	-2.44
Searcy	89.9	67.9	78.9	81.5	-2.6	0.07	1	-0.64	2.29	-0.99
Extreme/Average	89.1	66.4	77.8	80.8	-2.8	0.78	2	0.10	1.94	-0.91
West Central										
Booneville	88.3	63.9	76.1	81.1	-5.0	1.19	2	0.48	1.78	-1.12
Dardanelle	88.8	64.8	76.8	82.1	-5.2	0.95	3	(NA)	1.80	(NA)
Mena	85.4	61.4	73.4	79.1	-5.7	2.67	2	1.83	8.02	3.74
Subiaco	91.6	65.3	78.4	81.3	-2.9	0.67	2	-0.06	2.37	-0.69
Waldron	86.9	62.6	74.7	79.9	-5.2	1.33	2	0.60	6.10	3.15
Extreme/Average	88.2	63.6	75.9	80.7	-4.8	1.36	3	0.71	4.01	1.27
Central										
Alum Fork	86.6	65.4	76.0	80.0	-4.0	0.78	1	0.00	2.97	-0.58
Cabot	88.5	63.8	76.2	81.2	-5.0	0.11	2	-0.48	4.94	2.35
Conway	88.8	65.2	77.0	81.4	-4.4	0.09	2	-0.51	0.82	-1.98
Hot Springs	87.9	69.0	78.4	82.7	-4.2	0.41	2	-0.44	3.78	-0.21
Morrilton	89.6	64.6	77.1	80.9	-3.9	0.23	3	-0.40	2.59	-0.24
Extreme/Average	88.3	65.6	76.9	81.2	-4.3	0.32	3	-0.37	3.02	-0.13
East Central										
Brinkley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Des Arc	87.5	67.8	77.7	82.3	-4.7	0.06	1	-0.47	1.73	-0.95
Keo	84.6	66.4	75.5	81.2	-5.7	0.30	1	-0.27	3.52	0.88
Stuttgart	83.8	68.2	76.0	81.4	-5.5	0.29	2	-0.10	3.64	0.94
West Memphis	85.2	68.7	76.9	81.2	-4.3	1.56	2	0.92	3.02	0.05
Extreme/Average	85.3	67.8	76.5	81.4	-5.0	0.55	2	0.02	2.98	0.23
Southwest										
Ashdown	89.9	67.4	78.6	(NA)	(NA)	1.38	2	0.73	2.03	-0.87
De Queen	84.7	69.3	77.0	81.7	-4.6	1.16	3	0.90	3.24	0.76
Hope	81.0	67.5	74.3	81.9	-7.7	2.68	2	2.46	2.88	0.95
Murfreesboro	85.6	63.1	74.4	79.5	-5.1	0.45	2	-0.41	1.65	-2.13
Nashville	89.0	66.0	77.5	82.9	-5.4	1.63	2	0.88	3.21	-0.21
Extreme/Average	86.0	66.7	76.4	81.5	-5.7	1.46	3	0.91	2.60	-0.30
South Central										
Camden	85.5	66.2	75.8	82.0	-6.1	1.76	3	1.11	2.45	-0.10
Fordyce	86.4	65.0	75.7	80.3	-4.5	0.82	3	0.04	3.44	0.05
Magnolia	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.57	-0.21
Prescott	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sparkman	85.9	64.4	75.1	81.1	-5.9	1.29	3	0.62	2.39	-0.91
Extreme/Average	85.9	65.2	75.6	81.1	-5.5	1.29	3	0.59	2.21	-0.29
Southeast										
Crossett	91.4	68.9	80.1	81.1	-0.9	2.50	2	1.70	2.60	-0.43
Eudora	88.3	64.3	76.3	83.4	-7.1	0.78	2	0.06	3.51	0.47
Pine Bluff	86.7	68.7	77.7	82.3	-4.7	0.22	1	-0.56	1.87	-1.61
Portland	83.8	66.4	75.1	81.5	-6.4	2.12	3	1.52	4.00	0.67
Rohwer	84.1	67.9	76.0	81.7	-5.7	0.67	3	-0.03	1.40	-1.55
Extreme/Average	86.9	67.2	77.1	82.0	-5.0	1.26	3	0.54	2.68	-0.49
State	86.5	65.5	76.0	80.7	-4.8	1.07	3	0.39	2.98	-0.01

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.