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Week Ending April 26, 2015

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 2.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 26, 2015**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 39 percent adequate, and 61 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 43 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 42.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Gilbert to 53.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Stuttgart. Highs ranged from 63.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 76.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. 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 4.22 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending April 26, 2015**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, planted	81	66	71	85
Corn, emerged	56	43	33	65
Cotton, planted	4	3	4	14
Cotton, emerged	2	1	2	4
Rice, planted	37	28	44	59
Rice, emerged	20	10	18	34
Sorghum, planted	42	27	33	60
Sorghum, emerged	17	12	8	37
Soybeans, planted	16	11	15	20
Soybeans, emerged	7	4	3	10
Winter Wheat, headed	47	14	15	54

**Crop condition for week ending April 26, 2015**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn	6	5	24	47	18
Hay, alfalfa	1	5	60	29	5
Hay, other	2	25	43	26	4
Livestock	2	2	33	55	8
Pasture	1	12	38	39	10
Winter Wheat	3	9	31	45	12

## Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Wet weather continues to slow planting. Some corn and rice were planted this week. Wheat condition continues to decline due to wet weather.”

-Andy Vangilder, Clay County

“Percent planted may be a moving target. Weather delays influencing what producers intended to plant. Could already be at total acreage for corn and milo. Will know more by May 1<sup>st</sup>.”

-Ray Benson, Mississippi County

“Wet weather this week resulted in increased incidences of leaf rust, strip rust, and Septoria in various wheat fields. Wet soil conditions continue to delay planting and field preparations.”

-Hank Chaney, Faulkner County

“Growing and planting conditions are not conducive to any significant progress for our agronomic crops.”

-Russ Parker, Crittenden County

“Rain is slowing down all planting and farm work.”

-Joe Stuart, Little River County

“Storms this week, and heavy rains in places, kept producers watching the skies most of the week. Fertilization of pastures and hayfields was timely, if farmers could get it out. Everything is green and growing.”

-Robin Bridges, Union County

## Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending April 26, 2015

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Kingston	63.0	44.7	53.9	58.3	-4.4	0.51	2	NA	2.28	NA
Lead Hill	65.3	42.9	54.1	57.2	-3.1	2.56	5	1.53	4.83	1.26
Winslow	65.8	47.2	56.5	NA	NA	0.34	2	NA	2.83	NA
Extreme/Average	64.7	44.9	54.8	57.7	-3.8	1.14	5	1.53	3.31	1.26
<b>North Central</b>										
Calico Rock	68.7	43.4	56.1	59.2	-3.1	1.10	2	-0.01	4.00	-0.38
Evening Shade	71.6	46.0	58.8	60.8	-2.2	1.40	3	0.59	4.62	0.69
Gilbert	69.4	42.4	55.9	60.0	-4.1	1.21	4	0.13	5.66	1.50
Mammoth Spring	71.1	43.7	57.4	58.9	-1.5	1.05	3	-0.13	5.99	1.44
Mountain Home	68.0	45.1	56.6	60.4	-3.8	0.97	3	-0.17	4.46	0.07
Mountain View	69.1	46.7	57.9	61.3	-3.4	1.11	3	-0.11	5.19	0.63
Extreme/Average	69.6	44.6	57.1	60.1	-3.0	1.14	4	0.05	4.99	0.66
<b>Northeast</b>										
Corning	69.0	47.7	58.4	62.5	-4.2	1.59	3	0.53	6.15	1.94
Jonesboro	71.0	48.0	59.5	61.9	-2.4	0.76	3	-0.44	7.07	2.60
Keiser	70.6	51.2	60.9	63.8	-2.6	0.85	2	0.05	4.97	0.89
Newport	69.1	50.7	59.9	62.8	-2.9	0.73	3	-0.45	7.44	2.93
Pocahontas	70.0	45.7	57.9	60.5	-2.6	1.12	4	0.00	4.87	0.66
Searcy	72.9	49.3	61.1	62.6	-1.5	0.99	2	-0.25	5.00	0.44
Extreme/Average	70.4	48.8	59.6	62.4	-2.7	1.01	4	-0.09	5.92	1.58
<b>West Central</b>										
Booneville	70.6	48.3	59.4	62.2	-2.8	1.56	3	0.42	4.95	1.16
Dardanelle	71.4	48.9	60.1	64.1	-4.0	1.40	3	NA	3.77	NA
Mena	65.7	46.7	56.2	60.5	-4.2	2.20	3	1.20	6.10	1.54
Subiaco	68.4	47.9	58.1	62.8	-4.6	1.18	3	0.08	3.52	-0.44
Waldron	69.1	47.0	58.1	61.8	-3.7	1.24	5	-0.01	4.54	0.41
Extreme/Average	69.0	47.8	58.4	62.3	-3.9	1.52	5	0.42	4.58	0.67
<b>Central</b>										
Alum Fork	70.1	48.0	59.1	61.6	-2.5	2.45	4	1.21	7.72	2.96
Cabot	72.1	47.7	59.9	62.4	-2.5	1.74	3	0.50	5.47	1.57
Conway	71.4	44.0	59.3	62.4	-2.5	1.48	4	0.36	4.73	0.21
Hot Springs	70.0	50.0	60.0	63.7	-3.7	3.01	4	1.81	8.90	4.26
Morrilton	70.3	48.3	59.3	61.8	-2.6	1.35	4	0.19	3.92	-0.34
Extreme/Average	70.8	47.6	59.5	62.4	-2.7	2.01	4	0.81	6.15	1.73
<b>East Central</b>										
Brinkley	68.1	51.9	60.0	63.3	-3.3	2.10	2	0.89	5.40	0.88
Des Arc	72.6	53.3	62.9	64.4	-1.5	1.47	4	0.22	5.09	0.32
Keo	72.8	49.8	61.3	65.3	-3.6	1.82	3	0.93	5.60	1.17
Stuttgart	74.0	53.7	63.9	64.0	-0.1	1.00	3	-0.26	4.62	-0.23
West Memphis	71.0	52.0	61.5	63.4	-1.9	1.59	2	0.27	6.41	1.60
Extreme/Average	71.7	52.1	61.9	64.1	-2.1	1.60	4	0.41	5.42	0.75
<b>Southwest</b>										
Ashdown	73.0	50.7	61.9	NA	NA	5.71	3	4.62	8.08	4.27
Hope	73.3	49.7	61.5	63.7	-2.2	6.07	3	4.92	9.24	5.05
Murfreesboro	70.6	45.3	57.9	61.3	-3.4	2.06	3	0.88	5.78	1.31
Nashville	73.4	48.4	60.9	64.5	-3.5	3.02	3	1.82	6.88	2.51
Extreme/Average	72.6	48.5	60.6	63.1	-3.0	4.22	3	3.06	7.50	3.29
<b>South Central</b>										
Camden	72.7	47.3	60.0	64.5	-4.5	3.05	4	2.05	6.34	2.29
Fordyce	72.7	49.9	61.3	62.8	-1.5	3.17	3	2.10	7.15	2.81
Sparkman	71.7	48.3	60.0	62.9	-2.9	3.73	2	2.82	7.31	2.98
Extreme/Average	72.4	48.5	60.4	63.4	-2.9	3.32	4	2.32	6.93	2.69
<b>Southeast</b>										
Crossett	73.0	52.8	62.9	63.7	-0.8	0.93	2	0.07	4.49	0.41
Eudora	76.6	52.7	64.6	66.8	-2.2	2.03	3	0.70	5.51	0.71
Pine Bluff	73.1	51.1	62.1	64.8	-2.7	2.79	2	1.56	7.25	2.88
Portland	71.4	53.4	62.4	65.1	-2.7	1.32	3	0.23	5.20	0.89
Rohwer	73.1	53.0	63.1	65.2	-2.1	3.41	3	2.24	6.93	2.52
Extreme/Average	73.4	52.6	63.0	65.1	-2.1	2.10	3	0.96	5.88	1.48
<b>State</b>	70.6	48.5	59.6	62.4	-2.9	1.97	4	0.99	5.65	1.54

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.