



**United States Department of Agriculture  
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Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report**



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**Week Ending April 9, 2017**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 9, 2017**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 3 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 18 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 8 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 40.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 53.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Searcy. Highs ranged from 64.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 80.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Searcy. Precipitation for this week was moderate throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the south central part of the state with an average of 2.31 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending April 9, 2017**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, planted	54	30	57	48
Corn, emerged	27	5	17	19
Cotton, planted	1	0	0	0
Rice, planted	28	9	30	23
Rice, emerged	6	1	3	4
Sorghum, planted	6	2	7	17
Sorghum, emerged	2	NA	0	4
Soybeans, planted	12	4	4	5
Soybeans, emerged	2	NA	0	1
Winter Wheat, headed	65	27	4	18

NA = Not Available.

**Crop condition for week ending April 9, 2017**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Hay, alfalfa	2	2	37	59	0
Hay, other	3	6	45	42	4
Livestock	2	3	33	53	9
Pasture	3	9	40	40	8
Winter Wheat	1	4	21	63	11

**Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents**

“Planting of 2017 crop got under way on our well drained soils last Thursday. A good chunk of our corn went in during the last 4 days of the week, and our rice growers are off to a good start.”

-Dave Freeze, Greene County

“A few fields have been planted to corn and rice. If dry weather continues, many acres will be planted next week. Forages made good growth over the week.”

-Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“Farmers were able to get back into the fields after early week rainfall. Corn planting is rapidly finalizing, and rice planting is in full swing. Some soybeans are also being planted. Pre-emerge herbicides were being applied. Livestock continue to chase green grass.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Spring green transition is in full swing. Rain, from passing storms, boosted top soil moisture levels, and summer forages are breaking through. Night-time lows are helping to maintain late cool season forages, and grazing is good quality. Gardens are looking good for small and large producers.”

-Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

“Planting began in earnest this week throughout the county. Good conditions for fieldwork, with the exception of spray applications.”

-Russ Parker, Crittenden County

“This week beef cattle producers participated in Brucellosis vaccinations and continued herd health programs. Rain continues to halt row crop planting and sod field maintenance. Sod fields look decent, with only mowing and clipping removal remaining.”

-Kevin Lawson, Perry County

**Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending April 9, 2017**

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Kingston	64.1	42.3	53.2	53.5	-0.3	1.29	4	NA	4.21	NA
Lead Hill	66.0	40.1	53.1	52.3	0.8	1.19	4	0.26	5.73	1.79
Winslow	64.5	45.7	55.1	NA	NA	1.37	4	NA	5.19	NA
Extreme/Average	64.9	42.7	53.8	52.9	0.3	1.28	4	0.26	5.04	1.79
<b>North Central</b>										
Calico Rock	69.0	40.0	54.5	54.1	0.4	1.30	4	0.25	5.53	1.25
Evening Shade	73.0	49.7	61.3	55.9	6.0	0.94	3	0.52	5.37	1.72
Gilbert	70.0	42.0	56.0	55.0	1.0	1.14	2	0.17	5.21	1.16
Mammoth Spring	69.5	42.5	56.0	54.0	2.2	0.90	2	-0.01	5.08	1.00
Mountain Home	68.3	45.4	56.9	55.5	1.4	1.45	3	0.44	4.83	0.50
Mountain View	69.0	45.6	57.3	56.4	0.9	1.28	3	0.23	6.87	2.73
Extreme/Average	69.8	44.2	57.0	55.2	2.0	1.17	4	0.27	5.48	1.39
<b>Northeast</b>										
Corning	72.4	45.6	59.0	57.1	1.9	0.59	4	-0.42	3.23	-0.59
Jonesboro	71.9	44.3	58.1	56.5	1.5	0.74	3	-0.30	3.98	-0.08
Keiser	76.0	52.2	64.1	58.1	6.3	0.61	3	-0.13	3.95	0.00
Newport	69.4	48.1	58.8	57.5	1.3	0.98	3	0.07	3.35	-0.75
Pocahontas	73.0	45.4	59.2	55.4	3.8	0.67	2	-0.32	3.87	-0.18
Searcy	80.0	53.0	67.3	57.5	9.4	0.99	3	0.38	3.11	-0.62
Extreme/Average	73.8	48.1	61.1	57.0	4.0	0.76	4	-0.12	3.58	-0.37
<b>West Central</b>										
Booneville	73.3	45.3	59.3	57.1	2.2	0.87	3	0.15	4.45	0.93
Dardanelle	75.0	47.0	61.0	59.5	1.4	1.14	2	NA	3.90	NA
Mena	71.1	47.4	59.3	55.8	3.5	0.97	4	-0.11	4.58	0.02
Subiaco	70.4	45.4	57.9	58.0	-0.1	0.69	2	-0.19	3.74	0.02
Waldron	71.7	43.6	57.6	56.5	1.1	1.10	2	0.25	4.14	0.43
Extreme/Average	72.3	45.7	59.0	57.4	1.6	0.95	4	0.03	4.16	0.35
<b>Central</b>										
Alum Fork	69.2	45.8	57.5	57.0	0.6	1.41	3	0.47	4.24	-0.23
Cabot	72.6	45.7	59.1	57.7	1.5	1.34	3	0.35	2.62	-1.42
Conway	71.9	46.0	58.9	57.8	1.2	1.06	1	0.11	3.54	-0.57
Hot Springs	73.6	49.0	61.3	59.2	2.1	1.28	2	0.11	4.99	0.23
Morrilton	71.9	44.3	58.1	57.1	1.0	1.20	2	0.24	3.90	-0.27
Extreme/Average	71.8	46.2	59.0	57.7	1.3	1.26	3	0.26	3.86	-0.45
<b>East Central</b>										
Brinkley	NA	NA	NA	58.1	NA	0.30	1	-0.13	0.30	-0.43
Des Arc	73.0	51.1	62.1	59.4	2.7	1.04	2	-0.13	3.17	-1.37
Keo	70.7	47.9	59.3	60.4	-1.1	1.41	2	0.28	2.80	-1.50
Stuttgart	71.2	52.2	61.7	58.7	3.3	0.05	1	-0.76	2.67	-1.35
West Memphis	72.9	47.4	60.1	58.0	2.1	0.71	2	-0.37	2.59	-1.65
Extreme/Average	72.0	49.6	60.8	58.9	1.7	0.70	2	-0.22	2.31	-1.26
<b>Southwest</b>										
Ashdown	73.4	48.4	60.9	NA	NA	1.64	2	0.76	5.55	1.29
Dequeen	73.4	50.4	61.9	58.1	4.1	1.48	3	0.74	4.00	-0.36
Hope	71.4	46.0	58.7	59.1	-0.2	1.36	3	0.68	3.54	-0.37
Murfreesboro	71.3	44.4	57.9	57.1	0.8	1.61	2	0.50	4.60	0.07
Nashville	74.0	46.7	60.4	59.9	0.5	1.32	3	0.32	4.64	0.24
Extreme/Average	72.7	47.2	60.0	58.6	1.3	1.48	3	0.60	4.47	0.17
<b>South Central</b>										
Camden	74.5	45.2	59.8	60.2	-0.5	1.92	1	1.06	3.65	-0.45
Fordyce	72.3	47.1	59.7	58.0	1.7	2.20	1	1.12	3.57	-1.06
Magnolia	NA	NA	NA	59.8	NA	2.47	1	1.89	4.41	1.33
Prescott	NA	NA	NA	58.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.03	-0.37
Sparkman	72.3	44.1	58.2	58.6	-0.4	2.65	1	1.55	4.31	0.17
Extreme/Average	73.0	45.5	59.3	59.1	0.3	2.31	1	1.40	3.59	-0.08
<b>Southeast</b>										
Crossett	75.1	47.3	61.2	59.4	1.8	1.65	1	0.52	2.42	-1.98
Eudora	75.4	50.6	63.0	62.1	1.1	3.10	2	2.23	4.10	0.13
Pine Bluff	74.8	49.5	62.2	60.0	2.1	1.44	2	0.40	2.77	-1.54
Portland	69.2	51.6	60.4	60.2	0.4	1.54	2	0.77	2.70	-1.15
Rohwer	72.1	52.6	62.4	60.0	2.4	1.26	2	0.19	2.02	-1.85
Extreme/Average	73.3	50.3	61.8	60.4	1.6	1.80	2	0.82	2.80	-1.28
<b>State</b>	<b>71.7</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>59.2</b>	<b>57.5</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>1.27</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.34</b>	<b>3.86</b>	<b>-0.02</b>

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.