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Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report**



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Week Ending September 24, 2017

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, September 24, 2017**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 11 percent very short, 46 percent short, 42 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 11 percent very short, 38 percent short, 45 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 61.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashdown to 71.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Pine Bluff. Highs ranged from 82.7 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 94.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Subiaco. Precipitation was scarce throughout the state, with the highest concentration occurring in the northwest part of the state with an average of 0.68 inches.

Crop progress for week ending September 24, 2017

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, harvested	92	78	97	92
Cotton, open bolls	86	70	95	85
Cotton, harvested	4	0	13	7
Peanuts, dug	9	0	32	NA
Peanuts, harvested	1	0	5	NA
Rice, mature	98	96	100	94
Rice, harvested	78	59	82	66
Sorghum, mature	99	97	100	99
Sorghum, harvested	92	82	99	84
Soybeans, turning color	88	79	86	77
Soybeans, dropping leaves	72	57	69	58
Soybeans, mature	57	46	55	45
Soybeans, harvested	35	24	30	28
Winter Wheat, planted	7	1	3	2

NA = Not Available.

Crop condition for week ending September 24, 2017

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Cotton	1	3	15	49	32
Hay, alfalfa	0	9	76	15	0
Hay, other	2	12	35	43	8
Livestock	0	4	31	54	11
Pasture	4	17	37	37	5
Peanuts	0	0	10	46	44
Soybeans	2	6	25	49	18

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Extremely dry conditions continued to slow the planting of cool season forages. Some farmers were still battling fall armyworms. Cattle producers sprayed for flies.”

-J. Joe Moore, Sharp County

“Dry, dry, dry! We need rain for ranchers and wheat planting. Last week, corn harvest was wrapping up with rice not far behind. With hot, dry weather, soybeans and cotton raced to maturity. Some farmers started harvesting soybeans, and most of our cotton acres were being defoliated. The dry weather has also allowed for a good start on the 2018 field crop preparation.”

-Dave Freeze, Greene County

“With dry conditions farmers made excellent progress in harvesting crops. Yields were average to above average for most fields. Damage to lower ends of fields due to earlier flooding kept some yields from being higher than average. Peanuts will start to be dug next week.”

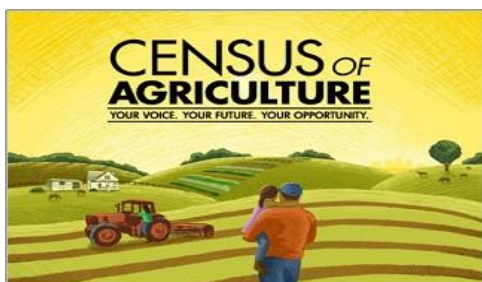
-Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“Farmers continued rapid harvest for corn, soybeans, and rice. Redbanded stink bug populations were building in soybeans.”



-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Dry conditions set in last week, and temperatures were above normal for fall. Early sprouted cool season forages will be in trouble if we don't get some rainfall.”

-Glenda Sutherlin, Union County



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Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending September 24, 2017

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	82.7	65.7	74.2	66.8	7.3	0.66	1	NA	0.66	NA
Lead Hill	85.6	63.1	74.4	65.5	8.8	1.35	2	0.41	1.81	-1.79
Winslow	85.4	68.6	77.0	NA	NA	0.03	1	NA	0.03	NA
Extreme/Average	84.6	65.8	75.2	66.2	8.0	0.68	2	0.41	0.83	-1.79
North Central										
Calico Rock	87.3	62.1	74.7	66.7	8.0	0.15	1	-0.86	0.71	-2.87
Evening Shade	88.4	66.2	77.3	68.8	8.1	0.21	1	-0.40	1.55	-1.50
Gilbert	88.4	62.0	75.2	68.1	7.1	0.35	1	-0.66	1.39	-2.28
Mammoth Spring	89.7	64.4	77.1	66.3	10.7	0.18	1	-0.72	1.82	-1.68
Mountain Home	88.6	67.3	77.9	68.3	9.7	0.07	2	-0.89	1.35	-2.55
Mountain View	89.8	64.5	77.2	68.7	8.5	0.80	1	-0.03	1.35	-2.19
Extreme/Average	88.7	64.4	76.6	67.8	8.7	0.29	2	-0.59	1.36	-2.18
Northeast										
Corning	91.6	68.0	79.8	69.2	10.5	0.07	1	-0.77	1.36	-1.68
Jonesboro	91.1	67.3	79.2	69.4	9.8	0.20	2	-0.59	2.49	-0.16
Keiser	91.6	69.8	80.7	71.0	9.3	0.71	2	0.15	5.91	3.45
Newport	89.4	67.9	78.6	70.3	8.4	0.07	1	-0.62	2.58	-0.16
Pocahontas	92.0	68.1	80.1	68.2	11.9	0.87	1	0.08	1.34	-1.78
Searcy	91.8	68.2	80.0	70.5	9.4	0.00	0	-0.53	1.65	-1.06
Extreme/Average	91.2	68.2	79.7	69.8	9.9	0.32	2	-0.38	2.56	-0.23
West Central										
Booneville	93.1	68.1	80.6	70.2	10.4	0.00	0	-0.98	0.02	-3.59
Dardanelle	93.0	67.4	80.2	71.4	8.8	0.00	0	NA	0.34	NA
Mena	91.9	67.0	79.4	68.9	10.5	0.07	1	-1.03	0.26	-3.79
Subiaco	94.3	69.1	81.7	70.5	11.2	NA	0	-0.91	0.07	-3.48
Waldron	92.0	65.7	78.9	68.9	10.0	0.00	0	-0.96	0.00	-3.75
Extreme/Average	92.9	67.5	80.2	70.0	10.2	0.02	1	-0.97	0.14	-3.65
Central										
Alum Fork	89.5	67.0	78.3	70.0	8.2	0.00	0	-0.84	0.39	-3.25
Cabot	92.8	67.2	80.0	71.2	8.7	0.03	1	-0.48	1.12	-1.68
Conway	93.0	67.7	80.4	70.6	9.7	0.00	0	-0.71	0.07	-1.80
Hot Springs	91.8	69.2	80.5	71.8	8.3	0.00	0	-0.60	0.18	-3.13
Morrilton	93.6	65.7	79.6	70.2	9.4	0.00	0	-0.74	0.18	-2.79
Extreme/Average	92.1	67.4	79.8	70.8	8.9	0.01	1	-0.67	0.39	-2.53
East Central										
Brinkley	NA	NA	NA	70.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Des Arc	92.7	70.7	81.7	71.6	10.1	0.05	1	-0.59	5.76	3.20
Keo	91.7	68.7	80.2	71.6	8.6	0.00	0	-0.62	3.76	1.23
Stuttgart	91.2	70.8	81.0	71.7	8.9	0.00	0	-0.42	3.41	1.36
West Memphis	91.3	70.3	80.8	71.9	8.9	0.05	1	-0.56	5.04	2.53
Extreme/Average	91.7	70.1	80.9	71.5	9.1	0.03	1	-0.55	4.49	2.08
Southwest										
Ashdown	89.4	61.4	75.4	NA	NA	0.00	0	-0.86	0.02	-3.39
Dequeen	89.5	66.5	78.0	71.7	5.3	0.00	0	-0.23	0.02	-2.65
Hope	91.3	67.0	79.1	71.8	7.3	0.00	0	-0.78	0.19	-3.23
Murfreesboro	89.5	63.7	76.6	70.1	6.6	NA	0	-0.71	0.20	-3.07
Nashville	91.9	67.0	79.4	73.4	6.0	0.00	0	-0.78	0.12	-3.06
Extreme/Average	90.3	65.1	77.7	71.8	6.3	0.00	0	-0.67	0.11	-3.08
South Central										
Camden	90.1	67.1	78.6	71.8	6.8	0.00	0	-0.77	1.92	-0.93
Fordyce	89.7	68.6	79.1	70.4	8.7	0.30	1	-0.47	1.92	-0.92
Magnolia	NA	NA	NA	72.3	NA	0.00	0	-0.52	1.36	-0.55
Prescott	90.2	67.2	78.8	71.1	7.1	0.00	0	-0.43	0.70	-2.18
Sparkman	86.6	67.3	76.9	70.9	6.1	0.25	1	-0.40	1.59	-1.19
Extreme/Average	89.1	67.5	78.4	71.3	7.2	0.11	1	-0.52	1.50	-1.15
Southeast										
Crossett	94.0	61.8	77.9	71.9	6.2	0.00	0	-0.59	3.92	1.02
Eudora	93.8	66.2	80.0	74.8	4.9	0.04	1	-0.50	2.82	-0.06
Pine Bluff	91.7	71.7	81.7	72.8	8.9	0.00	0	-0.59	3.20	0.78
Portland	90.9	68.0	79.4	72.8	6.6	0.00	0	-0.72	4.93	2.21
Rohwer	89.4	70.3	79.9	72.4	7.5	0.10	1	-0.48	6.57	4.34
Extreme/Average	92.0	67.6	79.8	72.9	6.8	0.03	1	-0.58	4.29	1.66
State	90.4	67.2	78.9	70.3	8.5	0.16	1	-0.52	1.80	-1.15

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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

NA = Not Available.