



# RiceTec

## Harvest Update

September 14, 2020



### RiceTec Field Day

RiceTec released a virtual field day website the end of August. You can find those videos at <https://fieldday.ricetec.com>. The site contains several videos that you can watch at your leisure to learn more about how RiceTec continues to “Revolutionize Rice Production”.

### NE Arkansas & SE Missouri

Harvest is full steam ahead in Region 1 and we estimate to be nearing 10% completed with more progress being made every day. We had a line of thunderstorms move through the area Saturday night that was somewhat unexpected that dropped 1-3 inches of rain in some isolated areas. That storm also came with pretty high winds in areas which lodged a little more rice. The forecast for the next 7-10 days looks to be favorable for harvest conditions so we should continue making progress with getting this rice crop out of the field. Low temperatures in the 50’s are forecasted for later this week and into the weekend which is really going to slow the late rice down, hopefully it is far enough along to not receive too much damage from the cool down.

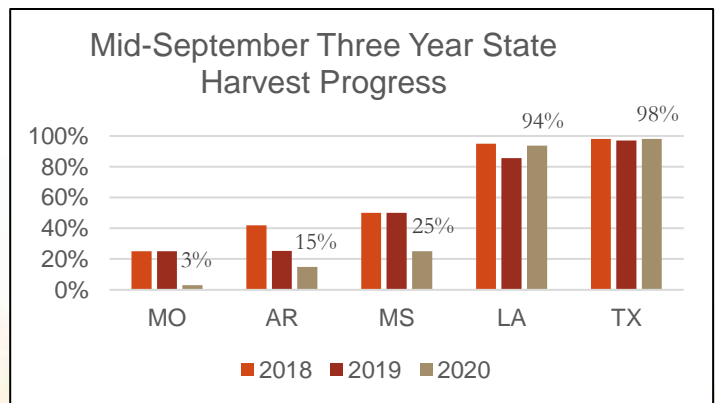
So far yield reports coming in are very good with all the RiceTec hybrids performing excellent. Stay safe out there and let us know how we can help!

### Central Arkansas

Region 2 rice harvest continues to build momentum despite recent weather events that have some on the side-lines due to higher grain moisture. We are currently around 10% harvested but anticipate that number to rise quickly with better weather for harvest and grain drying. The forecast has small chances of rain for the middle of this week, followed by drier, cooler air that will remind us of Fall.

Early hybrid yield reports continue to be good; however, there has not been enough harvested to establish a trend. RiceTec plots harvested to date continue to show a strong advantage. We are especially excited with the new products we are evaluating for future release. We will have this data available this fall.

Remember to keep safety a top priority for you and those around your operations. Contact



Mid-South Harvest tracking behind last two years

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your local RiceTec representative if you have questions or need assistance, as we are here to help. We also have additional information available via our **NEW “Virtual Field Day”** that can be found by following the link located in the field day section of this report.

## S. Arkansas & Mississippi

The Region had a very good, productive week of harvest until rainfall over the weekend shut combines down. On the Grand Prairie, harvest is approximately 35% complete with yields coming in a little scattered depending on planting date. The early planted rice is showing a little more yield variability due mainly in part to a large number of cloudy days during reproductive growth, and several rainfall events during pollination. As planting dates moved into May, yields seem to have stabilized more as reports coming in are very good. Growers in Philips County and in the Arkansas River Valley are just getting started good with harvest so it's still a little early to tell how yields are trending in those areas. There are plans to harvest the first large scale Replicated Field Yield Trial (RFYT) in Arkansas County today (9/14) so we should be able to report results during the next update.

In Southeast Arkansas, growers have harvested an estimated 25% of the rice crop with excellent results. Combines are currently sitting still as

growers are waiting for the crop to dry again after weekend rains. Hopefully harvest will get started back up again in a day or so with some sunshine to dry everything up. One RFYT was harvested last week with hybrids exhibiting a solid 20 bushel yield advantage over the varietal check Diamond. Overall, in the Arkansas portion of the Region, commercial yields have ranged between 175 to 230 bushels per acre

Across the Mississippi River into the Mississippi Delta, about 25% of the crop has been harvested as of today (9/14). Weekend rains also shut down harvest efforts in most areas, and it looks like it may be a couple of days before growers get going again. Yield reports continue to be very good with most coming in between 190 and 220 bushels per acre. One RFYT was harvested last Friday (9/11) with new conventional hybrids RT7501 and RT7401 leading the way with 50 and 46 bushel per acre advantages over Diamond, respectively.

With some sunshine and a little luck, harvest progress will continue at a rapid pace in the next couple of weeks. As always, stay safe, thank you for your business, and let us know if we can help!

## Texas & Louisiana Coast

There are only a handful of late planted fields remaining to be cut before we can say we are 100% done with first crop harvest in this part of the Region. Our main crop yields were some of the strongest we have ever seen, and we eagerly anticipate a strong ratoon harvest in mid to late October. All nine of our Farm Scale Yield Trials have been harvested here along the coast. We will be harvesting the ratoon crop on most of them as well. With stubble manipulation and improved fertility management on the ratoon crop, it is not out of the ordinary for some folks to harvest 40-50% of their main crop yield.



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## Central & NE Louisiana

First crop harvest in the Southern end of District 11 has wrapped up for the most part. Many are waiting on the ratoon crop to mature and anticipate a mid to late October harvest on second crop.

As we move into Northeast Louisiana our rice is about 85% harvested. Grain yields are holding at 190-200-bu/ac on RiceTec hybrids. On the herbicide tolerant side, we have received many positive comments on RT7521 FP on excellent yields and ease of harvest. We finished harvest on our Farm Scale Yield Trials in the district, and the yield comparison with competitors is impressive. I would be glad to visit with you on the results.



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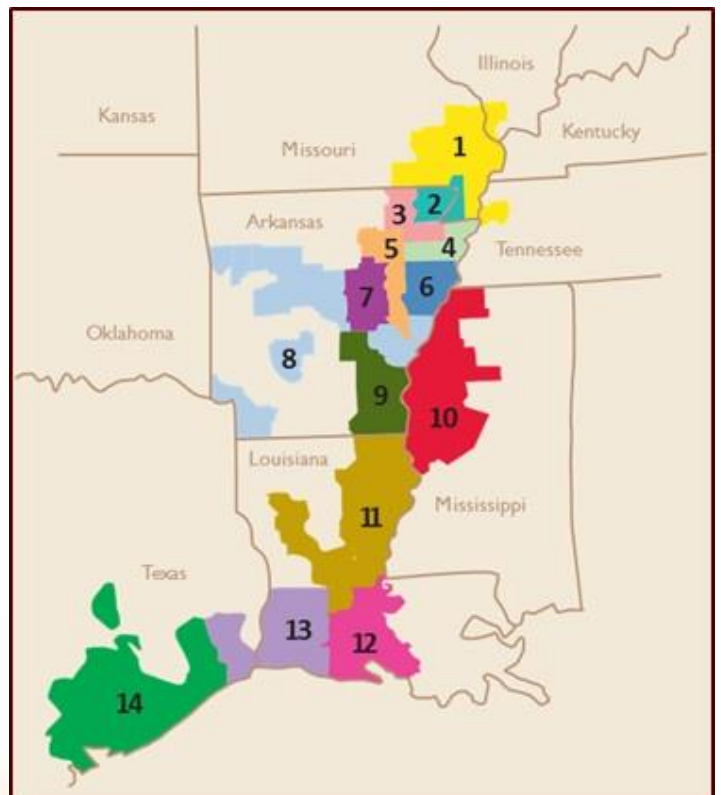
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