



# CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

Alabama Agriculture Counts!!



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## Another Wet Week Throughout the State

### General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service's Alabama Field Office, there were 2.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 8, 2015. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.62 inches in Muscle Shoals to 4.30 inches in Anniston. Average mean temperatures ranged from 64.9°F in Haleyville to 73.4°F in Montgomery.

### Comments

Consistent rain delaying the last of cotton and soybean harvest. Delaying wheat planting as well.-**Tyler Sandlin, REA, Colbert, Franklin, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Morgan, and Tuscaloosa Counties.**

A very wet and soggy week prevented any type of harvest or fieldwork. Several dry and sunny days are needed to be able to harvest the remaining cotton and soybeans. Yield and quality loss are now becoming a concern.-**Jeffrey Smith, FSA CED, Coosa, Elmore, Montgomery, and Tallapoosa Counties.**

Too much rain is slowing down harvest operations.-**Don Moore, Autauga Experiment Station, Autauga County.**

We received much rain over the weekend. Warmer than usual weather has kept grasses growing albeit not at the rate of spring and summer.-**Charles Simon, CEC, Covington County.**

Rains have continued, thus harvesting activities are still on hold. Quite a few peanuts are plowed up waiting for drying weather.-**Willie Durr, CEC, Houston County.**

### Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/08/15

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening .....	97	96	98	98
Cotton - Harvested .....	68	66	75	68
Peanuts - Harvested .....	80			
Soybeans - Dropping		77	88	83
Leaves .....	100	98	100	100
Soybeans - Harvested .....	71	69	78	73
Winter Wheat - Planted ....	38	34	48	45
Winter Wheat - Emerged ..	24	12	29	25

### Crop Condition for Week Ending 11/08/15

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle .....	0	5	27	61	7
Pasture and range .....	2	16	47	34	1

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/08/15

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short .....	2	10	16
Short .....	10	20	35
Adequate .....	63	60	48
Surplus .....	25	10	1

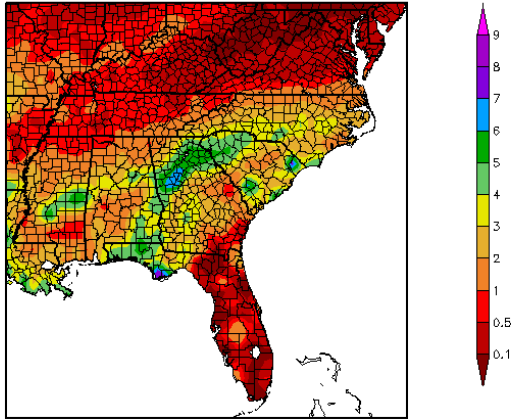
  

Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short .....	3	9	NA
Short .....	8	18	NA
Adequate .....	71	63	NA
Surplus .....	18	10	NA

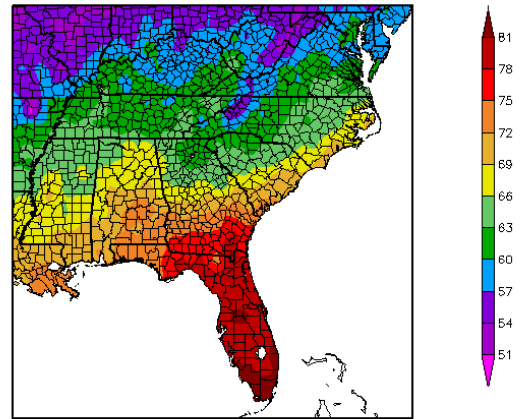
# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/>

Precipitation (in)  
11/2/2015 - 11/8/2015



Temperature (F)  
11/2/2015 - 11/8/2015



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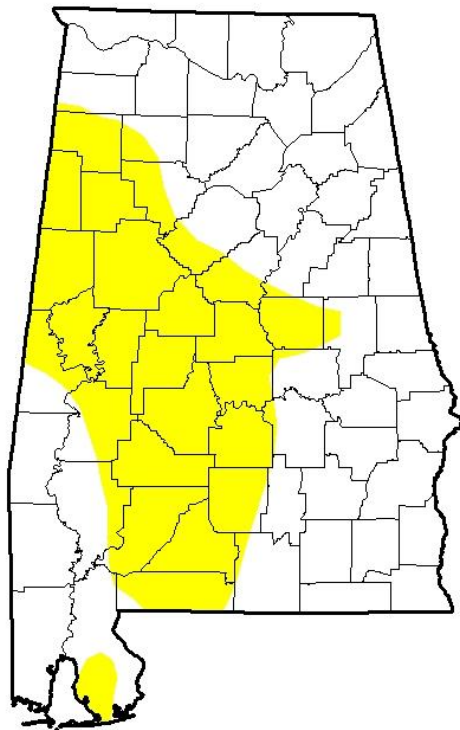
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## U.S. Drought Monitor, November 3, 2015

National Weather Service

<http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm>

### U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



### November 3, 2015

(Released Thursday, Nov. 5, 2015)

Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	63.77	36.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>10/27/2015</i>	42.15	57.85	11.14	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>8/4/2015</i>	38.84	61.16	18.46	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12/02/2014</i>	62.49	37.51	3.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>9/29/2015</i>	37.12	62.88	4.86	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>11/4/2014</i>	32.61	67.39	25.94	1.25	0.00	0.00

*Intensity:*

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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