



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
**Alabama Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Alabama, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 24, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0 to 0.73 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the low 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50s to upper 50s.

County Extension Comments

There was a good bit of cotton planted this week. Conditions were good for planting. Most of the wheat received an application of fungicide. Corn has really begun to take off and grow.

Danny McWilliams, Colbert County

The weather has been great this week for planting and spraying. The pastures have really greened up with all of the rain that we have had. Planting should be in full swing by next week.

Kelvin Veal, Cullman County

Good weather is forecasted for the upcoming week. Farmers will be finishing up corn planting. Wheat and canola is looking good.

Julia Crownover, Jackson County

Warm season pastures are growing much better now with warmer weather and sunshine. Some farmers began producing hay with cool season fields.

Henry Dorough, St. Clair County

Recent rain has resulted in muddy fields and growth of weeds. Summer forage grasses just beginning to grow.

Jimmy Smitherman, Montgomery County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/24/16

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Planted	75	62	42	66
Corn - Emerged	56	38	30	44
Cotton - Planted.....	14	0	4	9
Hay - 1st Cutting.....	5	0	NA	NA
Peanuts - Planted	3	0	7	4
Winter Wheat - Headed ...	66	24	47	54

Conditions for Week Ending 04/24/16

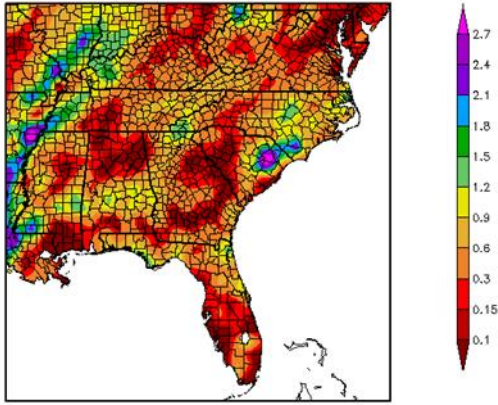
Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	0	4	84	12
Pasture and range	0	0	9	76	15
Winter Wheat.....	0	1	17	59	23

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/24/16

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short	2	0	3
Short.....	8	1	14
Adequate	76	46	56
Surplus	14	53	27

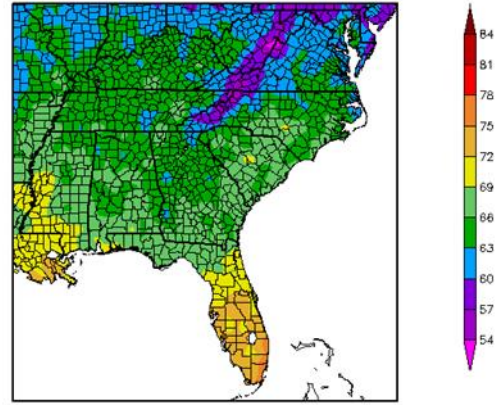
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short	0	0	NA
Short.....	1	1	NA
Adequate	81	55	NA
Surplus	18	44	NA

Precipitation (in)
4/18/2016 - 4/24/2016



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Temperature (F)
4/18/2016 - 4/24/2016



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 4/12/2016	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 1/19/2016	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12/29/2015	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/29/2015	37.12	62.88	4.86	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 4/21/2015	67.97	32.03	2.45	0.00	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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