



**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 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday July 24, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.3 inches of rain up to 2.49 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 90s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the mid 70s.

County Comments

Got some more spotty showers this week. Some parts of the county are still very dry. Cotton is looking better. Corn is maturing fast with this hot weather. Some livestock producers are starting to feed hay. But the rain we got this week is really helping pastures green up, so the feeding will probably stop this week.

Tim Malone, Marion County

Rainfall across the region brought much needed relief however, any grains in forage production for a second hay cutting are being erased by fall armyworms which have devastated many pastures and hayfields.

Henry Dorough, St. Clair County

We have had far too much rainfall recently in the Wiregrass area which has caused disease problems and spoilage primarily in tomatoes and cantaloupes. Row crops are faring much better but has caused problems in fungicide application.

Willie Durr, Houston County

Cotton, soybeans, and pasture have really greened up from the recent rain. For some crops like corn, the rain came too late to reverse the crop loss.

Zachary Burns, Marshall County

We are receiving spotted rains and good downpours in some areas. Everyone is getting some rain over the week. Some fields one can drive into, others are too wet. Pastures are growing. Cattle condition looks good with plenty of forage.

Charles Simon, Covington County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/24/16

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Mature	61	21	1	8
Cotton - Squaring.....	92	90	94	87
Cotton - Setting Bolls	66	51	70	55
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	64	58	80	NA
Peanuts - Pegging.....	63	61	80	68
Soybeans - Blooming.....	70	63	72	59
Soybeans - Setting Pods .	42	33	47	28

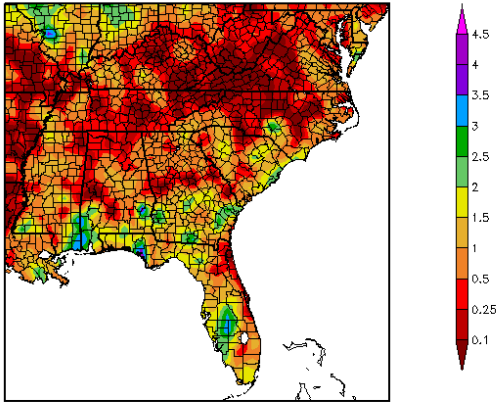
Conditions for Week Ending 07/24/16

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	2	5	18	69	6
Corn.....	12	23	32	31	2
Cotton.....	1	4	47	43	5
Pasture and range	9	17	31	39	4
Peanuts.....	0	0	53	41	6
Soybeans.....	1	14	35	47	3

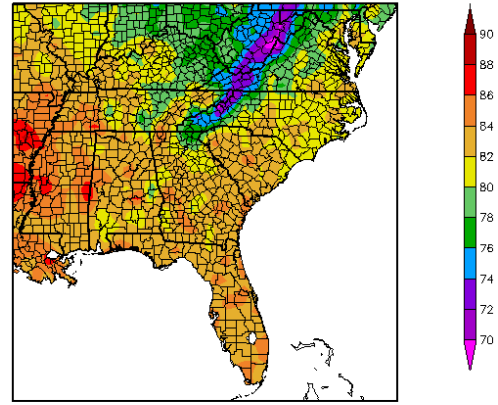
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/24/16

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	17	19	5
Short.....	33	33	24
Adequate.....	48	47	59
Surplus.....	2	1	12
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	15	17	NA
Short.....	36	35	NA
Adequate.....	47	47	NA
Surplus.....	2	1	NA

Precipitation (in)
7/18/2016 - 7/24/2016



Temperature (F)
7/18/2016 - 7/24/2016



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

July 19, 2016

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	37.02	62.98	41.53	14.59	2.72	0.00
Last Week 7/12/2016	37.05	62.95	42.74	15.48	2.72	0.00
3 Months Ago 4/19/2016	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	4.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 7/21/2015	59.22	40.78	8.60	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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