



**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 in Alabama, there were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 11, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain to 0.82 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the low 70s.

County Comments

Very good conditions prevail again this week. Although some hay has been cut due to armyworms and bermudagrass stem maggot infestations, very little hay of good quality has been stored this summer.

Henry Dorough, St. Clair County

A late week front brought a little relief from the extremely dry/hot conditions over the past two weeks. Rain will not help the crops at this point but pastures are suffering and most producers are at the point of feeding hay. First cotton defoliation this past week with corn harvest in the final stages.

Jeffrey Smith, Elmore County

Need rain badly. Some late cotton not opening yet.

Charles Simon, Covington County

Crop conditions in the county have been favorable. Peanut producers have started digging but the county needs a good rain to soften the dirt which would make it easier to dig. Cotton is opening, soybeans look good, and corn harvest is almost complete. Pastures and fields are dry and in need of a good rain.

Karen McDonald, Monroe County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/11/16

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested	62	37	48	49
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	65	47	58	41
Cotton - Harvested.....	0	NA	NA	NA
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	93	91	100	NA
Peanuts - Harvested	1	NA	NA	1
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves.....	41	32	53	30
Soybeans - Harvested	1	NA	9	2

Conditions for Week Ending 09/11/16

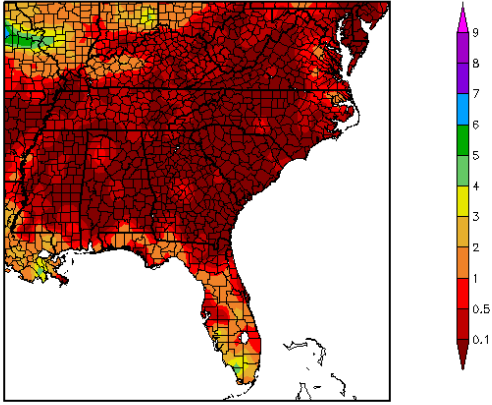
Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	2	7	20	68	3
Corn	13	21	34	29	3
Cotton.....	1	3	42	44	10
Pasture and range	10	13	32	42	3
Peanuts	0	0	51	42	7
Soybeans	1	11	34	44	10

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/11/16

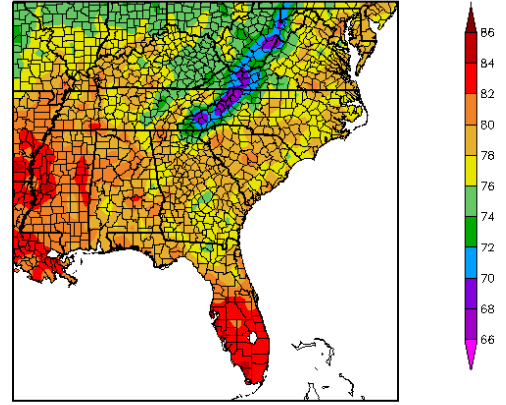
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	14	6	8
Short.....	40	34	22
Adequate.....	44	58	64
Surplus	2	2	6

Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	14	10	NA
Short.....	38	37	NA
Adequate.....	46	51	NA
Surplus	2	2	NA

Precipitation (in)
9/5/2016 - 9/11/2016



Temperature (F)
9/5/2016 - 9/11/2016



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D3-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	46.43	53.57	27.29	9.12	1.51	0.00
Last Week 8/29/2016	50.78	49.24	27.23	9.52	1.51	0.00
3 Months Ago 6/7/2016	39.92	60.08	33.98	7.55	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 1/1/2016	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/26/2015	37.12	62.88	4.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 9/6/2015	52.91	47.09	15.04	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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