



United States Department of Agriculture
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**Alabama Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics in Alabama, there were 7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 6, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state indicated no rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the low to mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low to high 50s.

County Comments

As the drought and relatively warm conditions persist, record numbers of farmers are attending Extension drought information meetings across the state. Livestock producers continue to sell animals in an effort to reduce their feeding liability. With fescue remaining dormant and the lack of cool season annuals, farmers are searching for the best feed sources to feed the animals they keep.

Henry Dorough, St. Clair County

No rain in the last six weeks for Monroe County. Things are very dry and dusty and pasture conditions are extremely dry and brittle. Cattle producers have been feeding hay for almost a month now with no rain in the future forecast. The rest of our peanuts are not being harvested due to the ground being too dry and hard. Cotton harvest continues to be favorable.

Karen McDonald, Monroe County

Cover crops remain unplanted due to the drought.

Don Moore, Autauga County

Very dry. Very little winter grazing has been planted.

Brenda Glover, Hale County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/06/16

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Harvested.....	78	68	67	62
Peanuts - Harvested.....	97	91	79	81
Soybeans - Harvested	87	83	70	66
Winter Wheat - Planted....	18	15	37	40
Winter Wheat - Emerged .	2	0	21	22

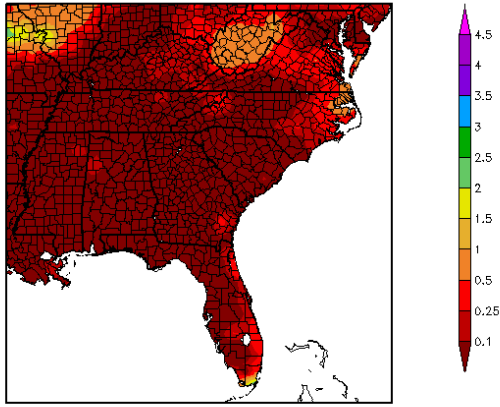
Conditions for Week Ending 11/06/16

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	9	8	26	57	0
Pasture and range	42	20	18	20	0

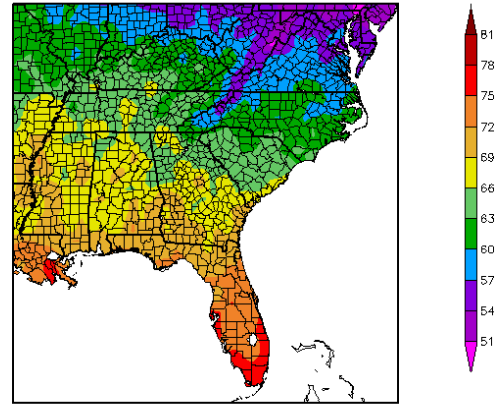
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/06/16

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	70	60	10
Short.....	17	16	29
Adequate.....	13	23	55
Surplus.....	0	1	6
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	67	57	NA
Short.....	18	16	NA
Adequate.....	15	26	NA
Surplus.....	0	1	NA

Precipitation (in)
10/31/2016 - 11/6/2016



Temperature (F)
10/31/2016 - 11/6/2016



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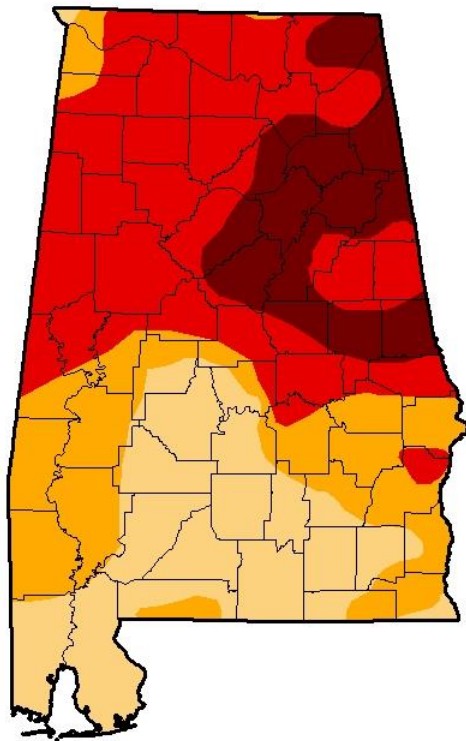
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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00	100.00	74.76	51.91	14.84
Last Week 10/25/2016	0.00	100.00	100.00	73.14	33.03	9.94
3 Months Ago 8/2/2016	32.44	67.56	40.76	18.33	2.90	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 1/22/2015	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 8/27/2016	17.15	82.85	47.12	17.94	6.36	0.00
One Year Ago 11/3/2015	63.77	36.23	0.00	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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