

**January 2, 2018**

**Alabama:** Livestock are in good conditions. Wheat is up showing some improvement with the recent rain. Winter cover started off pretty slow, but now coming along nicely. According to the U.S Drought Monitor, more than 60% of the State remained in an abnormally dry to moderate drought throughout December. Temperatures have fluctuated between below normal and above normal. Average mean temperature for the month range from 42°F in Marion County to 53°F in Dale County. Precipitation estimates for the month ranged from 1.72 inches in Baldwin County to 6.90 inches in Marion County.