

**January 2, 2020**

**Alabama:** Average temperatures ranged from 46.2 to 58.5 degrees Fahrenheit throughout the state during this month. Total precipitation ranged from no rain in multiple locations to 12.17 inches in Limestone County. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 32 percent of the state was in abnormally dry to drought stages on December 10. Producers wrapped up planting wheat and winter grazing by the beginning of the month. The vast majority of field crops were harvested with only a small amount of cotton remaining in the fields by month's end. A majority of the wheat and winter forages were in mostly good condition by the end of the month due to adequate rainfall and warm temperatures. Some wheat was in poor condition due to excessive rain. Cattle were looking good throughout the state with normal pasture conditions and some producers needing to supplement with hay and feed. Hay was in short supply due to drought conditions that hurt pastures in the fall.