



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 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 26, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 0.05 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

County Comments

Hot and dry weather conditions have stopped row crop farmers from finishing their planting of this year's crop. A good rainfall is needed for producers to finish up planting their cotton and peanuts. Excessive heat and dry weather is taking its toll on dry land corn. This is a great weather for cattleman to get that first hay harvest done.

Willie Durr, Houston County

Dry conditions remain across the county. Dry land corn is suffering. Many farmers are running irrigation. Planting should be finishing up within the next two weeks. Wheat harvest is beginning.

Allie Corcoran, Barbour County

Hot dry conditions were prevalent all week with no relief in sight for cooler temperatures or rain. Soil has dried up considerably this week and emerging crops need some moisture.

Belinda Woods, Cullman County

Hot and dry week with most cotton and soybean planting wrapping up. Moisture now the big concern.

Jeffrey Smith, Tallapoosa County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/26/19

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Silking.....	2	NA	NA	NA
Cotton - Planted.....	88	72	75	73
Hay - 1st Cutting.....	83	66	78	76
Peanuts - Planted.....	84	62	69	64
Soybeans - Planted.....	52	31	52	55
Soybeans - Emerged.....	31	13	40	37
Winter wheat - Harvested	23	12	10	13

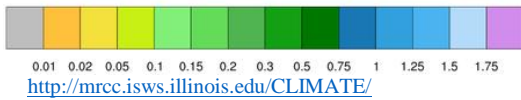
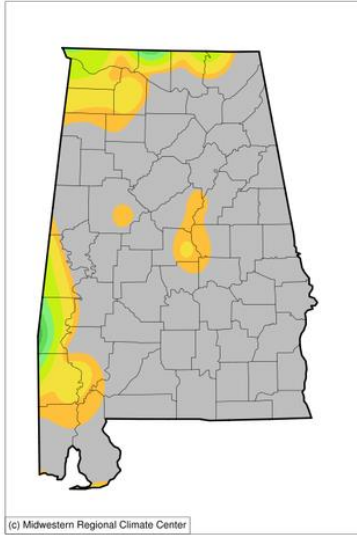
Conditions for Week Ending 05/26/19

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	2	23	62	13
Corn.....	1	3	22	72	2
Cotton.....	0	5	35	58	2
Pasture and range.....	1	5	18	69	7
Peanuts.....	0	0	39	60	1
Winter wheat.....	1	5	30	60	4

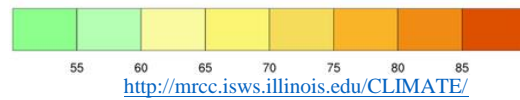
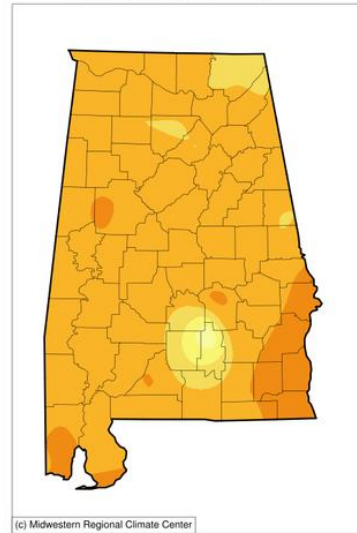
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/26/19

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	15	1
Short.....	32	11
Adequate.....	44	78
Surplus.....	9	10
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	5	1
Short.....	28	8
Adequate.....	65	84
Surplus.....	2	7

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 20, 2019 to May 26, 2019

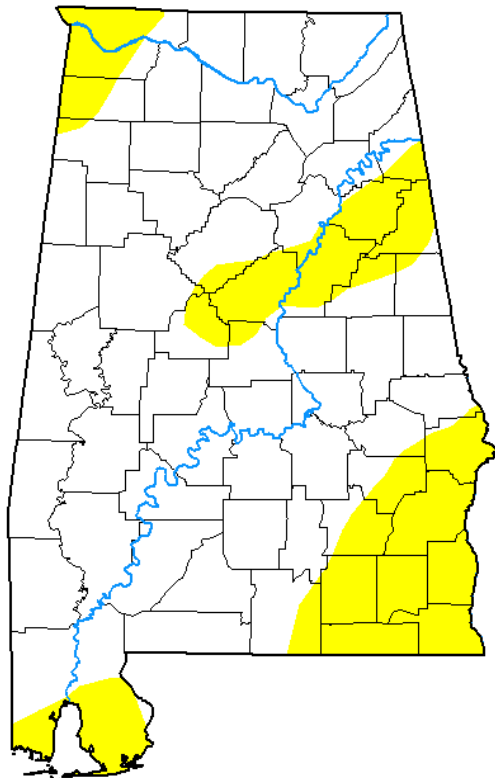


Average Temperature (°F)
May 20, 2019 to May 26, 2019



U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

May 21, 2019
(Released Thursday, May. 23, 2019)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	76.68	23.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-14-2019</i>	86.52	13.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-19-2019</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2019</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2018</i>	62.25	37.75	7.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-22-2018</i>	66.04	33.96	1.94	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- 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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