



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 Service in Alabama, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 28, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.38 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the high 60s.

County Comments

Drought conditions are setting in due to no rainfall this week. Only spotty showers the previous week. Pastures, hayfields, and corn were drying up fast. The county needs rain, but the forecast is not promising this week.

Belinda Woods, Cullman County

No measurable rain this week. Cotton, soybeans, and peanuts are in need of moisture. Irrigation systems running.

Jeffrey Smith, Coosa County

Showers moved through the region last Tuesday bringing over an inch of rain. It was perfect timing as most crops were in reproductive stages and needed the relief from drought and heat. Spraying growth regulators and for insects started back on cotton and fungicides on peanuts also resumed. I anticipate some high moisture corn harvest to begin this coming week.

Brandon Dillard, Bullock County

Monroe County crops are in good condition this week. The crops are still in dire need of rain. We received a few tenths of rain in sparse areas. The whole county needs a good, consistent shower.

Karen McDonald, Monroe County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/28/19

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	40	27	50	40
Cotton - Squaring.....	92	88	88	89
Cotton - Setting Bolls	69	50	70	68
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	86	80	84	NA
Peanuts - Pegging.....	94	87	89	80
Soybeans - Blooming.....	75	68	79	76
Soybeans - Setting Pods .	52	47	53	50

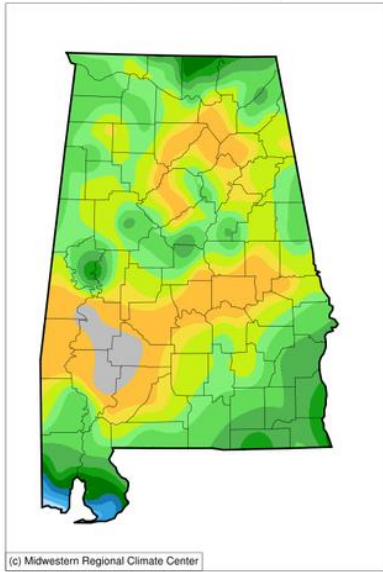
Conditions for Week Ending 07/28/19

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	2	5	26	58	9
Corn.....	7	6	21	49	17
Cotton.....	1	6	33	51	9
Pasture and range.....	2	10	41	44	3
Peanuts.....	0	7	47	38	8
Soybeans.....	0	2	15	75	8

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/28/19

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	6	5
Short.....	27	20
Adequate.....	67	74
Surplus.....	0	1
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	7	7
Short.....	28	24
Adequate.....	65	68
Surplus.....	0	1

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 22, 2019 to July 28, 2019



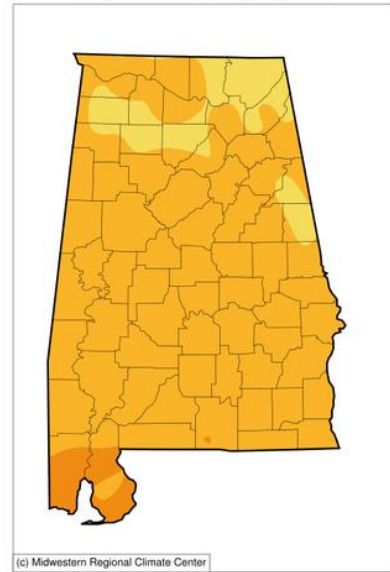
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Average Temperature (°F)
July 22, 2019 to July 28, 2019



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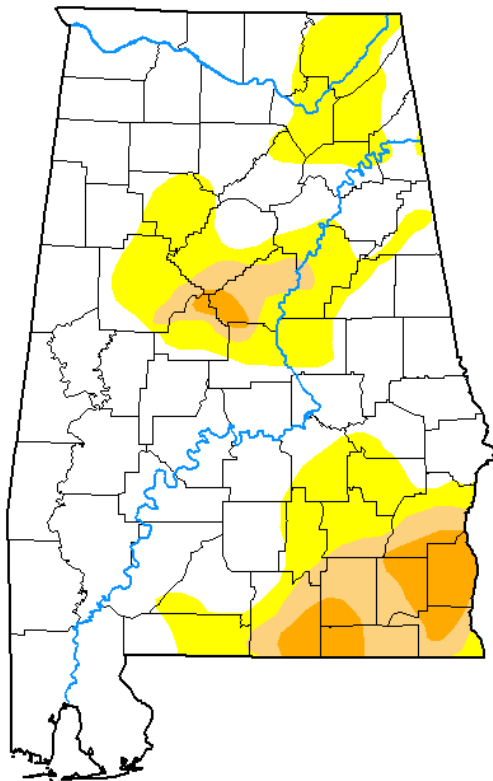


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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

July 23, 2019
(Released Thursday, Jul. 25, 2019)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	68.21	31.79	11.01	4.27	0.00	0.00
Last Week 07-16-2019	60.50	39.50	10.57	3.68	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 04-23-2019	74.89	25.11	11.23	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-25-2018	62.25	37.75	7.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 07-24-2018	99.44	0.56	0.00	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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