



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 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 8, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.04 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

County Comments

Hot, dry weather returned with a vengeance which accelerated maturity and drying in cotton, corn, and soybeans. Corn shelling was progressing and earliest grouped soybeans were ready to be combined. Producers were looking for and cutting additional hay as supplemental feeding continued.

Shannon Parker, Morgan County

Another hot and dry week helped most harvest operations. Some soybean acres were under irrigation all week. A number of livestock operations were already feeding hay or supplements because of the lack of production from warm season pastures. A few farmers began preparations for planting annual cool season forages.

Henry Dorough, Talladega County

Dry conditions persisted in most areas. Farmers were starting to worry about the ground getting hard while trying to invert peanuts. Corn harvest was almost done while defoliation and digging were starting to ramp up.

Brandon Dillard, Geneva County

It was dry in the Wiregrass Area this week with foliage feeders on peanuts and stinkbugs in cotton. Harvest season just beginning for peanuts and cotton.

Willie Durr, Houston County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/08/19

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	95	91	NA	NA
Corn - Harvested	52	37	62	51
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	57	48	52	44
Cotton - Harvested.....	0	0	NA	NA
Hay - 3rd Cutting	38	26	62	NA
Peanuts - Dug	4	1	1	NA
Peanuts - Harvested.....	1	NA	0	0
Soybeans - Setting Pods .	97	92	97	NA
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves.....	29	19	41	39

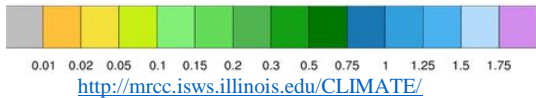
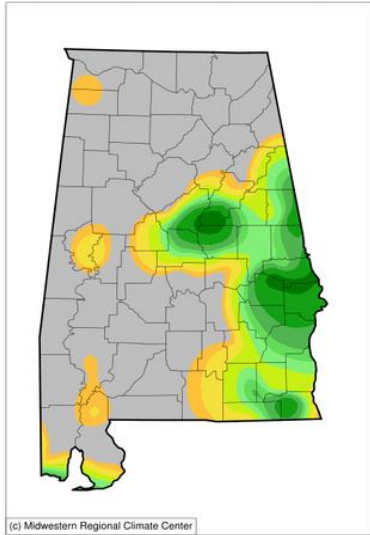
Conditions for Week Ending 09/08/19

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	3	9	27	57	4
Corn	8	6	17	46	23
Cotton.....	6	12	23	49	10
Pasture and range	5	15	36	40	4
Peanuts	9	13	34	40	4
Soybeans	0	2	18	62	18

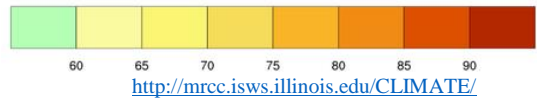
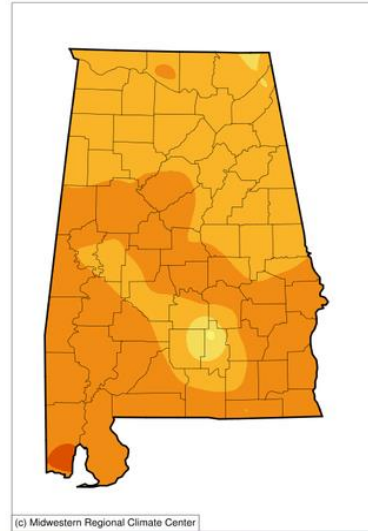
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/08/19

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short	14	6
Short.....	39	25
Adequate	47	69
Surplus	0	0
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short	10	4
Short.....	42	32
Adequate	48	64
Surplus	0	0

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
September 02, 2019 to September 08, 2019

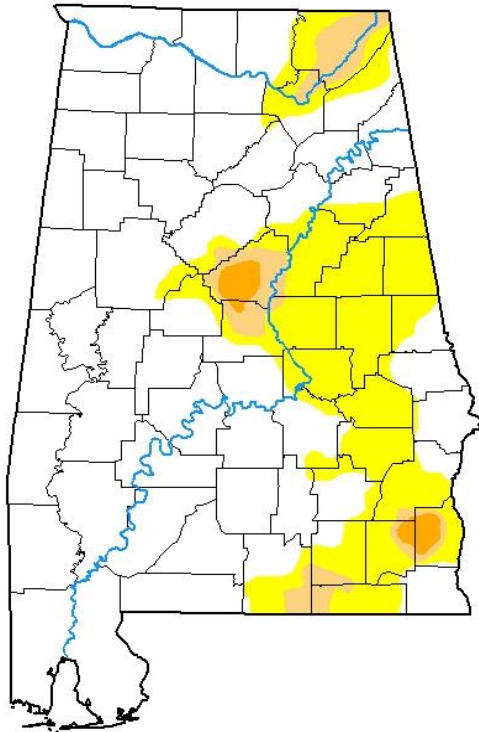


Average Temperature (°F)
September 02, 2019 to September 08, 2019



U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

September 3, 2019
(Released Thursday, Sep. 5, 2019)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	72.60	27.40	5.33	1.09	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-27-2019</i>	66.04	33.96	10.78	1.53	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>06-04-2019</i>	55.23	44.77	14.12	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>09-04-2018</i>	79.37	20.63	1.66	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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