



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 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 22, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 3.98 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 80s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

**County Comments**

Peanut and corn harvest is going well. Cotton harvest will start soon. Pastures were really stressed from the heat and lack of rain.

**Tim Malone, Winston County**

Pastures were dry and sparse. Producers reported that they were already having to supplement feed. Yields for later harvested corn and soybeans will be significantly reduced.

**Julia Crownover, Jackson County**

The grass in the county continued to suffer from the lack of rain and the cattle farmers started supplemental feeding. The harvest of row crops was in full swing and farmers were making great progress because there have been no interruptions for rain.

**Zachary Burns, Marshall County**

Cooler temperatures made outdoor work pleasant but extremely dry conditions continued. Cotton and soybean harvest began as irrigation continued on later planted fields. More livestock were provided hay and supplements due to the lack of forage. Drought conditions prevented the planting of cool season pastures.

**Henry Dorough, Talladega County**

Hot and dry weather persisted over the Wiregrass Area. While peanuts planted on sandy soils offer more digging ease than clay soils, harvesting of peanuts overall has slowed due to digging difficulties.

**Willie Durr, Houston County**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/22/19**

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested .....	87	77	85	81
Cotton - Bolls Opening....	81	70	76	72
Cotton - Harvested.....	4	1	2	3
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	77	57	80	NA
Peanuts - Dug.....	30	15	17	NA
Peanuts - Harvested.....	15	6	3	8
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves.....	69	43	72	64
Soybeans - Harvested.....	11	NA	12	15
Winter Wheat - Planted...	2	0	NA	NA

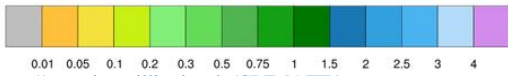
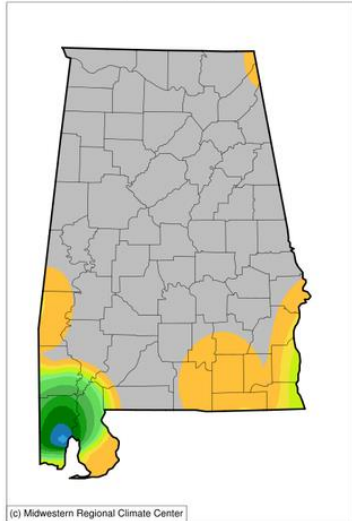
**Conditions for Week Ending 09/22/19**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	4	30	60	6
Cotton.....	1	9	38	44	8
Pasture and range.....	6	32	42	19	1
Peanuts.....	0	4	43	49	4
Soybeans.....	0	3	27	61	9

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/22/19**

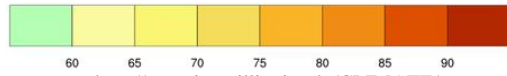
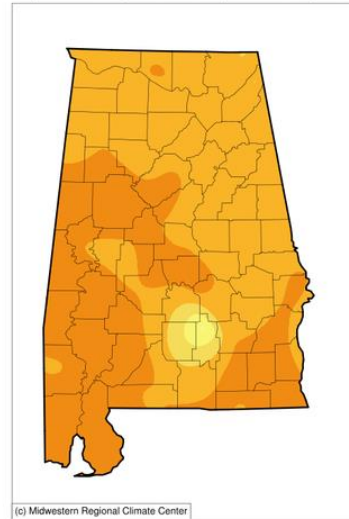
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	34	14
Short.....	57	59
Adequate.....	9	27
Surplus.....	0	0
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	30	11
Short.....	51	50
Adequate.....	19	39
Surplus.....	0	0

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
September 16, 2019 to September 22, 2019



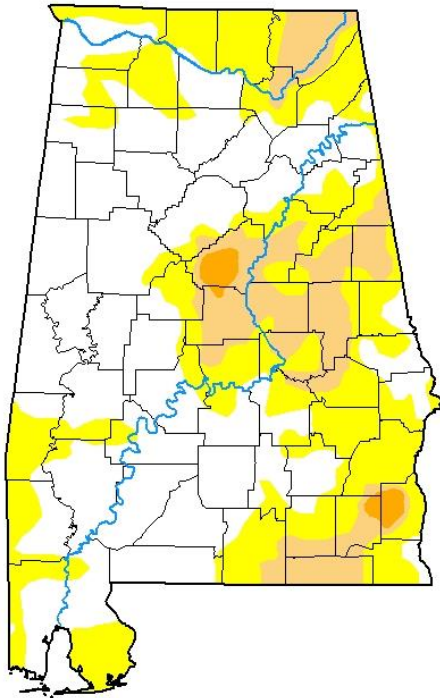
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**Average Temperature (°F)**  
September 16, 2019 to September 22, 2019



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



**September 17, 2019**

(Released Thursday, Sep. 19, 2019)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	52.39	47.61	13.86	1.09	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 09-10-2019	69.52	30.48	8.21	1.09	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 06-18-2019	63.96	36.04	11.33	1.81	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-01-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-25-2018	62.25	37.75	7.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 09-18-2018	65.20	34.80	8.13	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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