



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 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 17, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.07 inches of rain to 2.92 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 50s to the mid 60s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 20s to the high 30s.

**County Comments**

The county experienced light, scattered showers on a couple days. Cool nights and killing frosts halted growth on warm-season grasses. Cotton, peanut, and soybean harvesting continued.

**Gina Harris, Walker County**

Progress was made with crop harvest despite rain during the week. Soybean harvest neared completion while cotton harvest in low-lying fields was hampered by wet soils. A hard freeze brought overnight temperatures into the upper teens, ensuring the continuation of supplemental nutrition for livestock.

**Henry Dorough, Talladega County**

This week was better than last week for harvesting cotton. The rain held off long enough for producers to get into their fields.

**Karen McDonald, Monroe County**

Crenshaw County received some very beneficial rains this past week, allowing for winter grazing and cover crop planting. Producers started to see winter annuals emerge.

**Derek Bryan, Crenshaw County**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/17/19**

| Crop stage                  | This week<br>(percent) | Prev week<br>(percent) | Prev year<br>(percent) | 5 Year avg<br>(percent) |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cotton - Harvested.....     | 86                     | 79                     | 73                     | 78                      |
| Peanuts - Harvested.....    | 95                     | 94                     | 85                     | 90                      |
| Soybeans - Harvested .....  | 89                     | 86                     | 76                     | 85                      |
| Winter wheat - Planted..... | 58                     | 39                     | 38                     | 55                      |
| Winter wheat - Emerged..    | 32                     | 12                     | 21                     | 30                      |

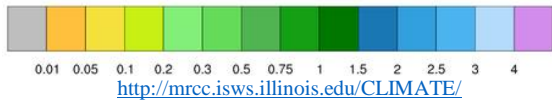
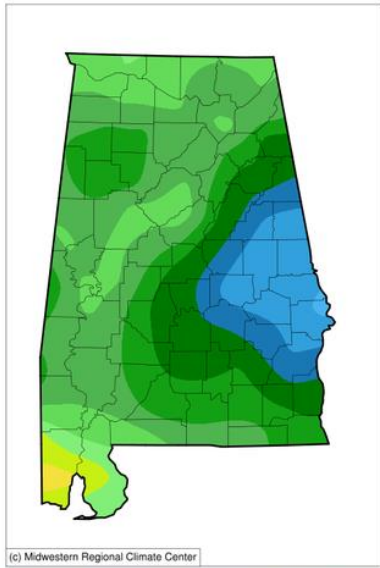
**Conditions for Week Ending 11/17/19**

| Crop                    | Very poor<br>(percent) | Poor<br>(percent) | Fair<br>(percent) | Good<br>(percent) | Excellent<br>(percent) |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Cattle.....             | 1                      | 11                | 30                | 57                | 1                      |
| Pasture and range ..... | 10                     | 21                | 41                | 28                | 0                      |

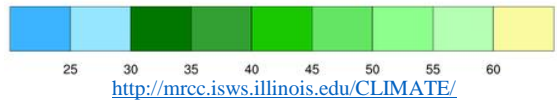
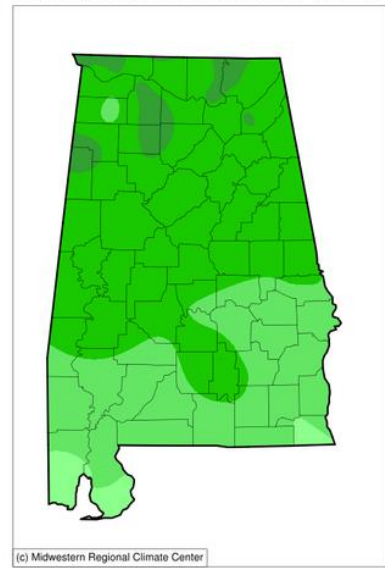
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/17/19**

| Topsoil         | This week<br>(percent) | Previous week<br>(percent) |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Very short..... | 3                      | 6                          |
| Short.....      | 18                     | 18                         |
| Adequate.....   | 73                     | 69                         |
| Surplus.....    | 6                      | 7                          |
| Subsoil         | This week<br>(percent) | Previous week<br>(percent) |
| Very short..... | 4                      | 7                          |
| Short.....      | 20                     | 21                         |
| Adequate.....   | 73                     | 69                         |
| Surplus.....    | 3                      | 3                          |

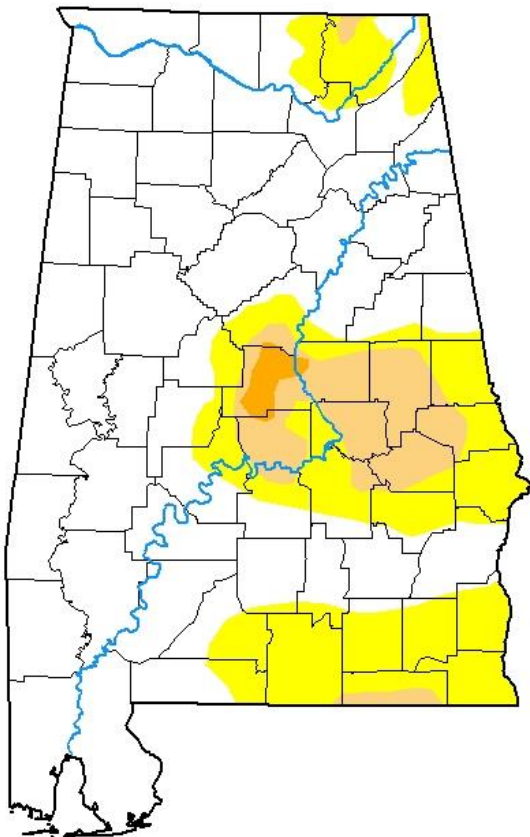
**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
November 11, 2019 to November 17, 2019



**Average Temperature (°F)**  
November 11, 2019 to November 17, 2019



## U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



**November 12, 2019**  
(Released Thursday, Nov. 14, 2019)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None   | D0-D4  | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 70.26  | 29.74  | 8.38  | 0.81  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>11-05-2019</i>              | 56.34  | 43.66  | 27.57 | 7.08  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>08-13-2019</i>           | 61.46  | 38.54  | 12.79 | 2.63  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2019</i> | 100.00 | 0.00   | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2019</i>    | 0.00   | 100.00 | 35.36 | 11.99 | 3.54  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>11-13-2018</i>           | 100.00 | 0.00   | 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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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