



United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service  
**Alabama Crop Progress  
and Condition Report**



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This report contains data collected each week from respondents across the state whose occupations provide them opportunities to discuss agricultural production with farmers in their counties as well as to make visual observations. We thank all who have contributed to this report.

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**General**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Alabama, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 30, 2021. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts of rain to 2.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the mid 60s.

**Crops**

Warm temperatures and dry conditions continued this past week as producers continued planting and harvesting activities across the state. Rain showers late in the week brought some much needed rain to the state.

The corn crop started to experience stress due to lack of rainfall, especially those that were close to tasseling and silking. Farmers caught up on planting in previously wet fields but were having issues with lack of moisture for planting in non-irrigated cotton fields. Some peanuts were replanted in the state as planting drew closer to completion. Pesticides were sprayed on cotton to eliminate the thrips pressure impacting the crop. Soybean planting continued across the state with much of the crop already emerged. Hayfields continued to be cut. Wheat harvest picked up in the northern portion of the state given the favorable conditions.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle and pasture remained in good condition in the state. Some farmers noted pastures in the southern part of the state were deteriorating due to dry conditions. Hay was fed to cattle.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/30/21**

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Silking.....	4	NA	1	5
Cotton - Planted.....	90	68	89	85
Cotton - Squaring.....	0	NA	0	1
Hay - 1st Cutting.....	89	75	88	86
Peanuts - Planted .....	82	61	84	78
Soybeans - Planted .....	55	45	61	59
Soybeans - Emerged .....	36	24	45	42
Winter wheat - Harvested ..	27	8	23	22

(NA) Not available.

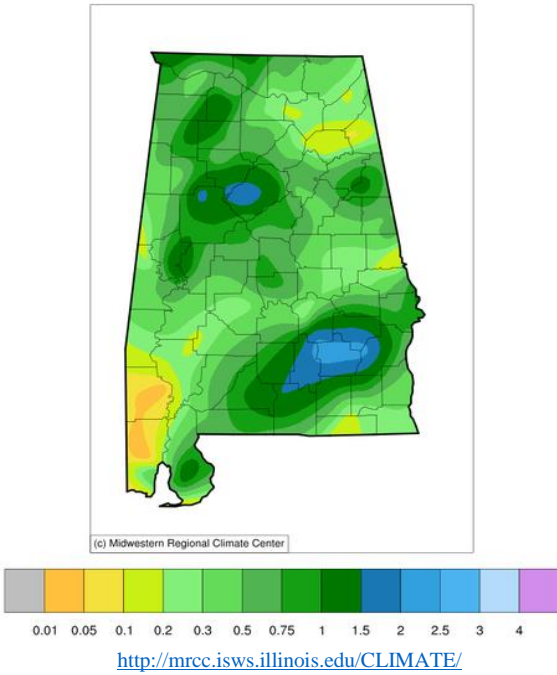
**Conditions for Week Ending 05/30/21**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	2	10	79	8
Corn .....	0	1	12	84	3
Cotton.....	0	1	22	68	9
Pasture and range .....	1	2	22	73	2
Peanuts .....	0	1	22	58	19
Winter wheat.....	0	1	12	68	19

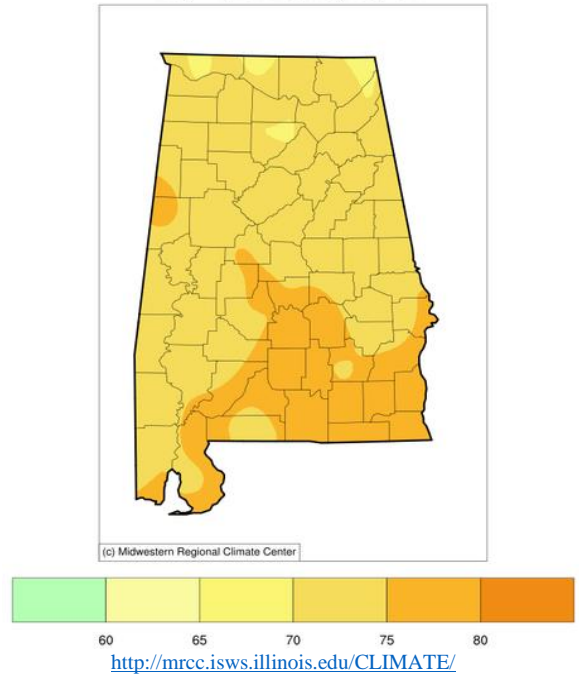
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/30/21**

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	2	8
Short.....	18	36
Adequate .....	75	56
Surplus .....	5	0
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	2	4
Short.....	6	15
Adequate .....	87	81
Surplus .....	5	0

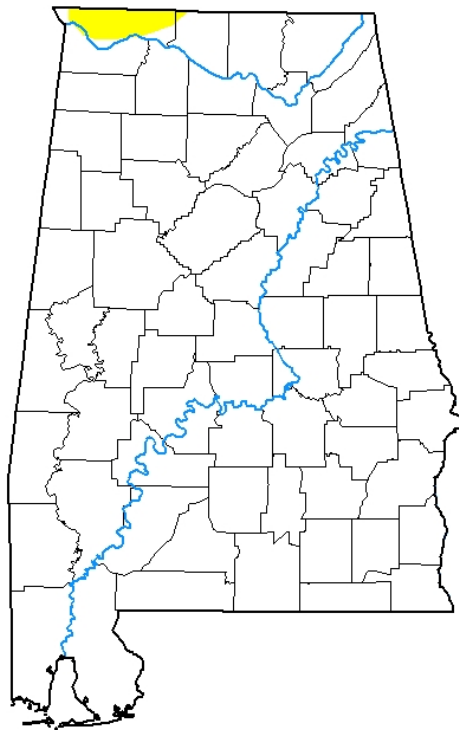
**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
May 24, 2021 to May 30, 2021



**Average Temperature (°F)**  
May 24, 2021 to May 30, 2021



## U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



**May 25, 2021**

(Released Thursday, May 27, 2021)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	98.86	1.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 05-18-2021	99.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 02-23-2021	72.92	27.06	3.27	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12-29-2020	92.44	7.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-29-2020	98.06	1.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 05-26-2020	82.60	17.38	8.49	3.46	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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