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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 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 11, 2021. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts rain to 4.8 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Steady rainfall occurred throughout the state due to Tropical Storm Elsa. This helped alleviate high temperatures but has also limited field work. Many farmers reported consistent rain has hindered crop pesticide applications and second hay cutting. Soybeans planted was completed; however, in Central Alabama, soybean crops were not progressing due to heavy amounts of rain. Warmer and drier weather is needed for cotton to improve. Corn is starting to mature and progressing well with the rainfall received throughout the week. Corn silking is nearing completion. Winter Wheat harvesting was completed.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture remained in good condition throughout the state. Producers have reported that the rainfall has improved pastures and hay.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/11/21

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Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Silking	94	90	96	94
Corn - Mature	NA	0	3	NA
Cotton - Squaring	75	48	62	75
Cotton - Setting Bolls	23	14	17	30
Hay - 2nd Cutting	73	36	53	57
Peanuts - Pegging	70	39	53	64
Soybeans - Emerged	97	83	95	96
Soybeans - Blooming	46	23	32	52
Soybeans - Setting Pods	NA	0	4	NA

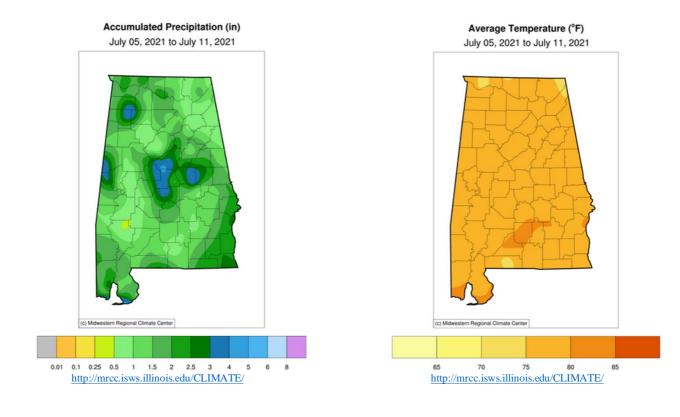
(NA) Not available.

Conditions for Week Ending 07/11/21

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	2	8	76	13
Corn	0	0	4	56	40
Cotton	0	4	14	58	24
Pasture and range	1	2	11	76	10
Peanuts	0	3	12	69	16
Soybeans	0	1	5	76	18

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/11/21

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Previous week	This week
(percent)	(percent)
8	0
4	1
76	72
12	27
Previous week	This week
(percent)	(percent)
8	0
4	1
83	86
5	13
	(percent) 8 4 76 12 Previous week (percent) 8 4 8 3



U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



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	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-29-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Month s Ago 04-06-2021	94.71	5.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year r2-29-2020	92.45	7.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-29-2020	98.07	1.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago	99.17	0.83	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.uni.edu/About.aspx

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