

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.

September 7, 2021 Media Contact: Anthony Prillaman

General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Alabama, there were 3.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 5, 2021. Precipitation ranged from 0.91 inches of rain to 7.46 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Tropical Storm Ida brought heavy rains and strong winds across the state. Localized flooding was reported in some areas. Most of the corn reached maturity; however rainy weather slowed harvest operations as the corn was too wet to harvest. Cotton finished setting bolls and early cotton continued having bolls crack open. Soybeans finished setting pods and began to drop leaves. Third cutting of hay was slowed by rains. Armyworms continued to be a major issue in hayfields and soybeans.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture remained in mostly good condition throughout the state.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/05/21

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Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn – Mature	93	88	93	97
Corn – Harvested	36	18	23	47
Cotton – Setting Bolls	99	96	99	99
Cotton – Bolls Opening	33	10	21	42
Hay – 3rd Cutting	40	5	26	NA
Soybeans – Setting Pods	95	87	95	96
Soybeans – Dropping	20	7	17	29
Leaves				
Peanuts – Dug	3	NA	1	NA

NA - Not Available

Conditions for Week Ending 09/05/21

Crop	Very poor	ery poor Poor		Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	2	8	82	7
Corn	0	0	2	48	50
Cotton	0	4	15	76	5
Pasture and range	1	3	11	79	6
Peanuts	0	0	12	72	16
Soybeans	0	0	6	68	26

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/05/21

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0	0
Short	4	1
Adequate	88	77
Surplus	8	22
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0	0
Short	2	1
Adequate	89	92
Surplus	9	7

Accumulated Precipitation (in) August 30, 2021 to September 05, 2021

August 30, 2021 to September 05, 2021 (c) Midwestern Regional Climate Center 60 65 70 75 80 85 90 http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/

Average Temperature (°F)

U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/

August 31, 2021 (Released Thursday, Sep. 2, 2021) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	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 08-24-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 06-01-2021	97.86	2.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-29-2020	92.46	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 09-01-2020	98.08	1.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity: None D2 Severe Drought D0 Abnormally Dry D1 Moderate 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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