



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 13, 2021

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Alabama, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 12, 2021. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 2.00 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 50s to the high 60s.

Crops

A cooler and dryer week allowed producers ample time in the fields, and allowed crops to remain in good condition. The dry week allowed corn harvest to progress; however, August rains have slowed harvest and is behind previous years. Corn yields were noted to be high in many areas across the state. Cotton bolls continued to open as preparation for harvest within the upcoming weeks began. Soybeans continued to drop leaves, and early peanuts were beginning to be dug. The dry weather also allowed for hay third cutting to continue to make progress. 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 09/12/21

| Crop stage | Prev year (percent) | Prev week (percent) | This week (percent) | 5 Year avg (percent) |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Corn – Mature..... | 97 | 93 | 98 | 98 |
| Corn – Harvested..... | 53 | 23 | 42 | 65 |
| Cotton – Bolls Opening..... | 52 | 21 | 27 | 56 |
| Hay – 3rd Cutting..... | 59 | 26 | 49 | NA |
| Soybeans – Dropping Leaves..... | 31 | 17 | 31 | 40 |
| Peanuts – Dug..... | 9 | 1 | 4 | NA |
| Peanuts – Harvested..... | 3 | NA | 1 | 2 |

NA – Not Available

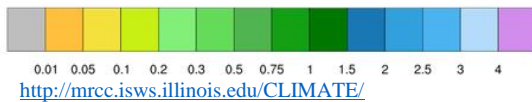
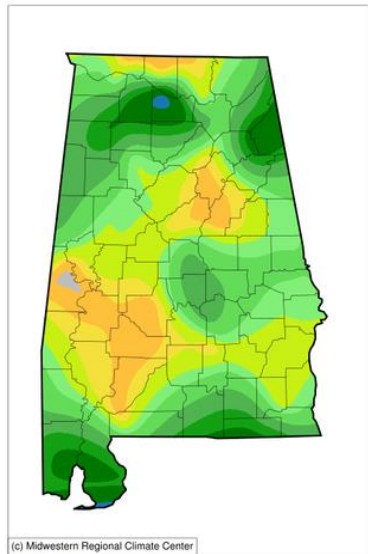
Conditions for Week Ending 09/12/21

| Crop | Very poor (percent) | Poor (percent) | Fair (percent) | Good (percent) | Excellent (percent) |
|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Cattle..... | 1 | 2 | 6 | 83 | 8 |
| Corn..... | 0 | 0 | 3 | 42 | 55 |
| Cotton..... | 0 | 3 | 14 | 74 | 9 |
| Pasture and range..... | 1 | 1 | 8 | 83 | 7 |
| Peanuts..... | 0 | 0 | 11 | 72 | 17 |
| Soybeans..... | 0 | 1 | 5 | 65 | 29 |

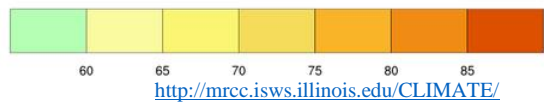
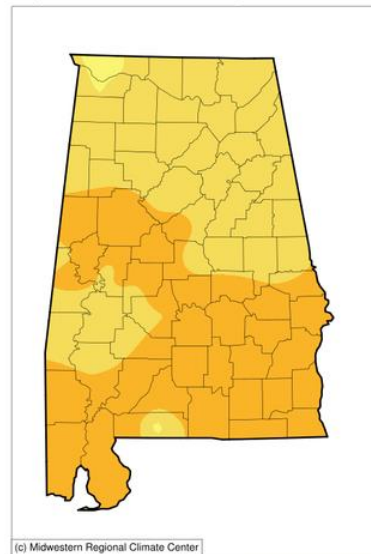
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/12/21

| Topsoil | Previous week (percent) | This week (percent) |
|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Very short..... | 0 | 0 |
| Short..... | 1 | 6 |
| Adequate..... | 77 | 80 |
| Surplus..... | 22 | 14 |
| Subsoil | Previous week (percent) | This week (percent) |
| Very short..... | 0 | 0 |
| Short..... | 1 | 3 |
| Adequate..... | 92 | 88 |
| Surplus..... | 7 | 9 |

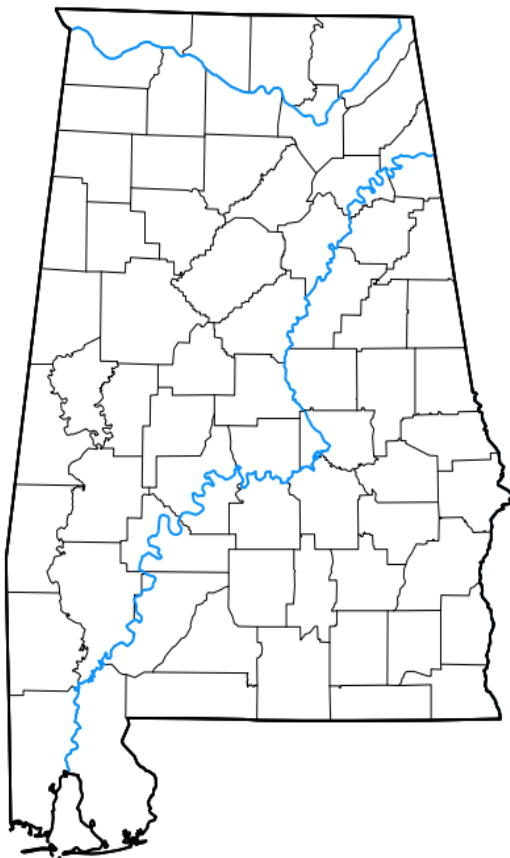
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
September 06, 2021 to September 13, 2021



Average Temperature (°F)
September 06, 2021 to September 13, 2021



U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



September 7, 2021
(Released Thursday, Sep. 9, 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 <i>08-31-2021</i> | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>06-08-2021</i> | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>12-29-2020</i> | 92.46 | 7.54 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2020</i> | 98.07 | 1.93 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>09-08-2020</i> | 87.67 | 12.33 | 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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