

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 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 21, 2021. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 1.3 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the low 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 30s to the mid 40s.

Crops

Good harvest conditions remained throughout the state as temperatures continued to drop. Many areas reported their first frost of the year. Northern Alabama saw 0.3-0.5 inches of rain while southern Alabama was dry and needs rain. Cotton, peanut and soybean harvest all progressed as conditions allowed for plenty of fieldwork days. Peanut harvest neared completion. Cotton yields were noted to have been extremely variable based on the date of planting and variety. Soybean yields were noted to be down in some areas, and producers stated that excessive rain from Hurricane Ida caused the decline. Winter wheat continued to be planted where adequate moisture supplies allowed.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture remained in mostly good condition throughout the state. Producers were beginning to feed hay to livestock as they wait for cool season annual pastures to grow. Hay supplies were noted to be low and of poor quality due to the rainy conditions over the summer.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/21/21

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Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cotton - Harvested	80	66	78	82		
Peanuts - Harvested	95	85	94	95		
Soybeans - Harvested	90	70	85	89		
Winter wheat - Planted	74	40	52	63		
Winter wheat - Emerged	56	16	40	36		
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Conditions for Week Ending 11/21/21

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
CattlePasture and Range	0	2 7	8 20	87 70	3 3

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/21/21

Topsoil	Previous week	This week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	9	2	
Short	7	15	
Adequate	76	82	
Surplus	8	1	
Subsoil	Previous week	This week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	12	6	
Short	3	11	
Adequate	77	81	
Surplus	8	2	

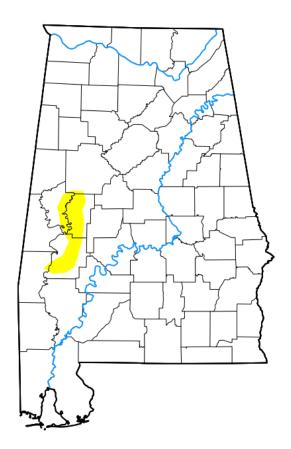
Accumulated Precipitation (in)

November 15, 2021 to November 21, 2021

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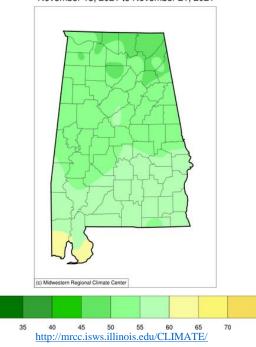
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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



Average Temperature (°F)

November 15, 2021 to November 21, 2021



November 16, 2021

(Released Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021) Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	97.75	2.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 11-09-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-17-2021	100.00	0.00	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 09-28-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 11-17-2020	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

None D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry D3 Extreme Drought
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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