



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.

April 4, 2022

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**General**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Alabama, there were 3.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 3, 2022. Precipitation ranged from 0.4 inches of rain to 2.3 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the low 50s.

**Crops**

Storms brought rain, strong winds and tornados halting fieldwork throughout the week. Some toppled trees that required storm cleanup were reported in central Alabama. No other major damage was reported. Corn continued to be planted as weather permitted while early planted corn began to emerge. Burndown for cotton and peanut fields continued in preparation for planting. Cotton planting is anticipated to begin over the next couple weeks. Winter wheat and oats continued to progress well and were in good conditions.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle and pasture were in mostly good condition throughout the state. Pastures began to green up, although livestock producers continued to feed hay.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/03/22**

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Planted .....	10	NA	15	20
Corn - Emerged .....	6	NA	7	7
Winter Wheat - Headed .....	6	NA	9	12

(NA) Not available.

**Conditions for Week Ending 04/03/22**

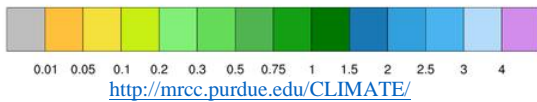
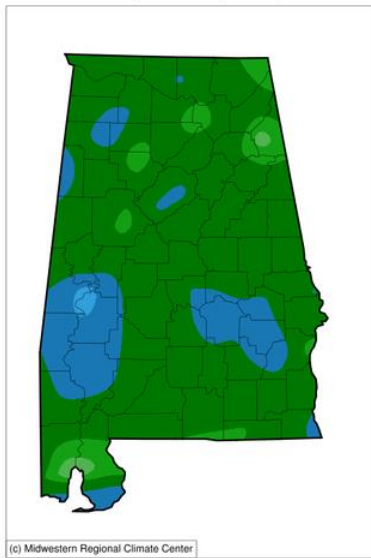
Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	1	6	88	5
Pasture and Range...	0	8	23	65	4
Winter wheat.....	0	0	11	69	20

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/03/22**

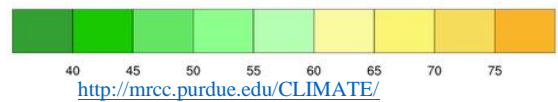
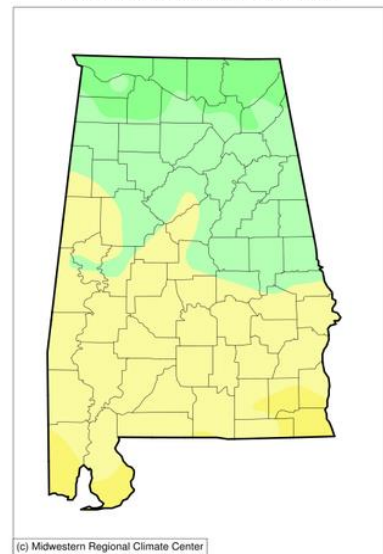
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short .....	NA	0
Short.....	NA	2
Adequate .....	NA	73
Surplus .....	NA	25
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short .....	NA	0
Short.....	NA	3
Adequate .....	NA	71
Surplus .....	NA	26

(NA) Not available.

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
March 28, 2022 to April 03, 2022

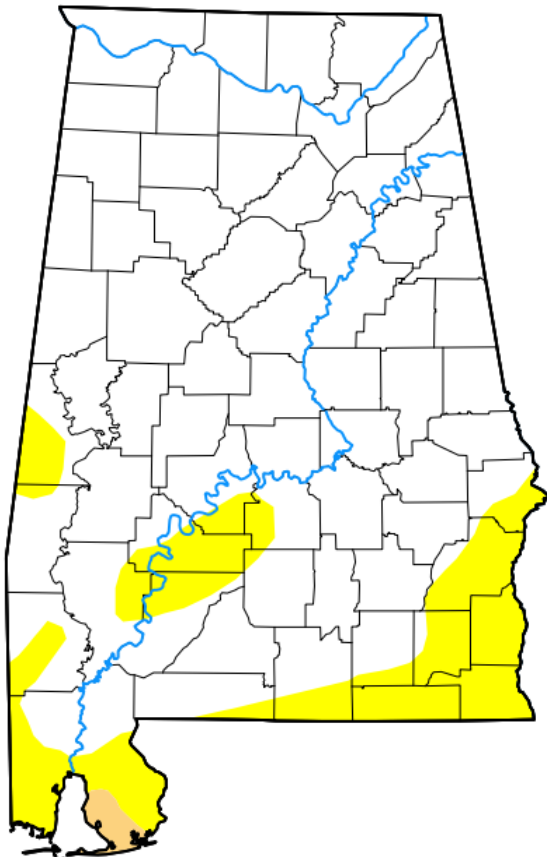


**Average Temperature (°F)**  
March 28, 2022 to April 03, 2022



## U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

**March 29, 2022**  
(Released Thursday, Mar. 31, 2022)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	83.92	16.08	0.68	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-22-2022</i>	82.08	17.92	0.84	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-28-2021</i>	54.93	45.07	2.94	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-04-2022</i>	76.82	23.18	3.44	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-28-2021</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-30-2021</i>	93.17	6.83	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.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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