



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 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 9, 2022. Precipitation ranged from no rain to trace amounts. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the high 60s.

Crops

Most of the state received no rainfall the past week as drought conditions moved into some northern and southern parts of the state. Cool temperatures at night continued throughout the state. The dry and breezy conditions created perfect harvesting conditions for producers finishing up corn harvest. Despite depleted soil moisture in many areas, peanut producers maintained steady progress digging and harvesting. Cotton bolls were mostly open throughout the state with harvest activities picking up. Soybeans continued dropping leaves and harvest was off to a quick pace. Hay producers nearly finished up their third cutting of hay given the favorable conditions.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures continued to be in mostly good condition. The lack of rainfall for the past couple of weeks has reduced pasture quality.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/09/22

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested	88	92	96	94
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	72	86	92	84
Cotton - Harvested.....	9	14	24	19
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	81	93	95	86
Peanuts - Dug.....	48	43	61	57
Peanuts - Harvested	28	29	43	40
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves.....	83	72	89	87
Soybeans - Harvested	15	18	31	28
Winter wheat - Planted.....	4	0	2	7

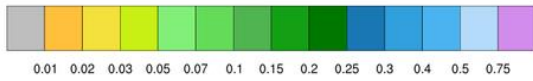
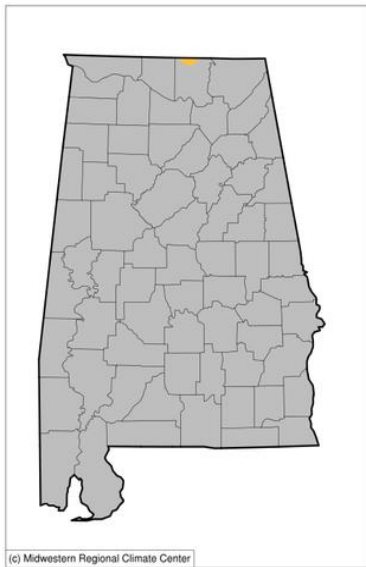
Conditions for Week Ending 10/09/22

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	1	15	82	2
Cotton.....	0	6	23	66	5
Pasture and range	3	16	38	43	0
Peanuts	0	1	8	75	16
Soybeans	3	10	31	52	4

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/09/22

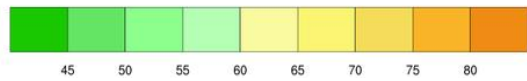
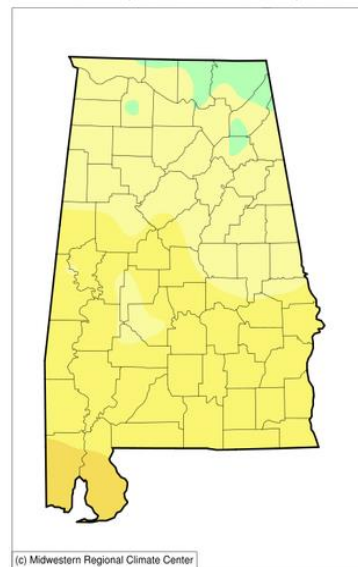
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	7	16
Short.....	49	50
Adequate	44	34
Surplus	0	0
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	3	10
Short.....	37	46
Adequate	60	44
Surplus	0	0

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 03, 2022 to October 09, 2022



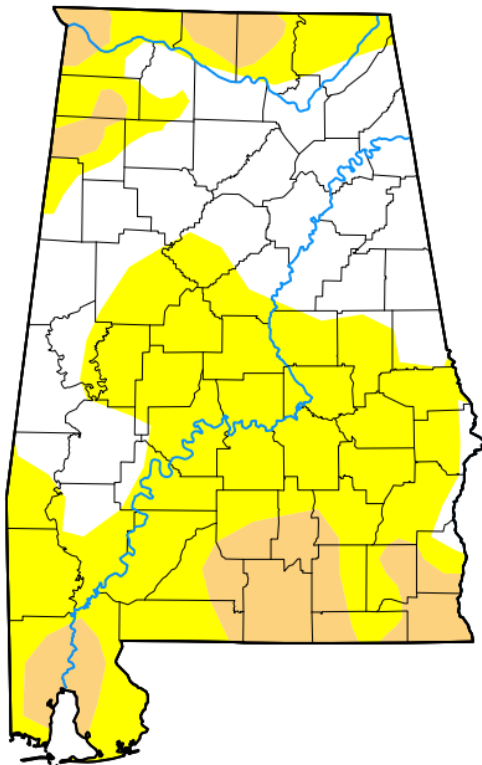
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Average Temperature (°F)
October 03, 2022 to October 09, 2022



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



October 4, 2022
(Released Thursday, Oct. 6, 2022)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	35.95	64.05	13.73	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>09-27-2022</i>	67.58	32.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-05-2022</i>	65.27	34.73	6.25	0.06	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2022</i>	76.82	23.18	3.44	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2022</i>	67.58	32.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-05-2021</i>	100.00	0.00	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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