



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 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 4, 2024. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts of rain to 5.9 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 80s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the high 70s.

Crops

Most of the state experienced light to moderate rainfall accompanied by hot temperatures throughout the week. The rainfall received helped alleviate drought conditions in the state. Field crops continued to show improvement with the continual showers. Corn maturing continued and corn harvest was underway. Some producers reported losses in corn due to a mixture of dry weather and wildlife this season. Cotton continued to benefit from the recent rains received. Cotton squaring was nearly complete, and bolls were beginning to open. Peanuts were in mostly good condition and nearly done pegging. Recent rains have also benefitted soybeans, which have been reported to have some armyworm pressure in Northern areas of the state. Soybeans blooming and setting pods continued to progress. Hay second cutting continued, and producers were able to make more progress cutting and baling as dry weather permitted.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture and range were in mostly good to fair condition. Although rainfall improved cattle and pasture conditions, the heat and humidity were problematic for cattle producers. Producers reported armyworm pressure in pastures and hay.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/04/24

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	55	43	64	57
Corn - Harvested.....	2	1	4	1
Cotton - Squaring.....	96	92	96	95
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	79	66	72	78
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	1	NA	1	1
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	86	68	75	88
Peanuts - Pegging.....	93	85	90	93
Soybeans - Blooming.....	90	75	81	85
Soybeans - Setting Pods....	70	39	55	64

(NA) Not available.

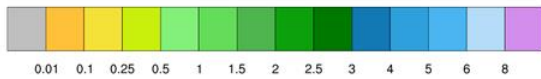
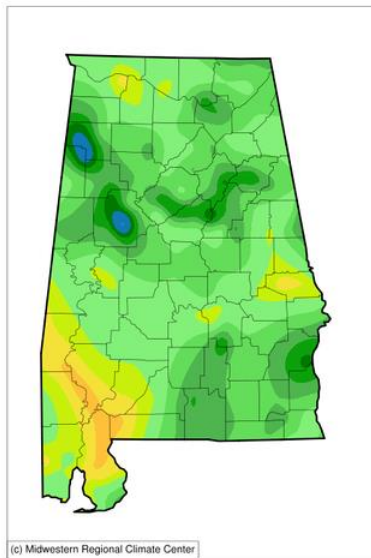
Conditions for Week Ending 08/04/24

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	5	27	64	3
Corn.....	8	30	34	27	1
Cotton.....	0	8	29	60	3
Pasture and range	1	12	37	48	2
Peanuts.....	0	1	11	76	12
Soybeans.....	1	4	37	56	2

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/04/24

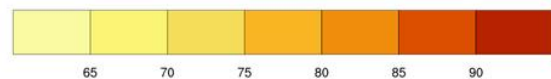
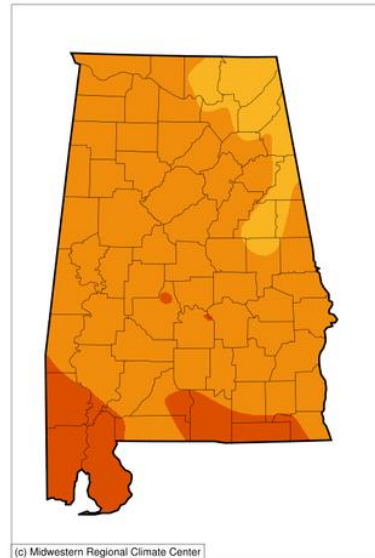
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	1	1
Short	22	19
Adequate	69	78
Surplus.....	8	2
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	1	2
Short	31	25
Adequate	60	71
Surplus.....	8	2

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 29, 2024 to August 04, 2024



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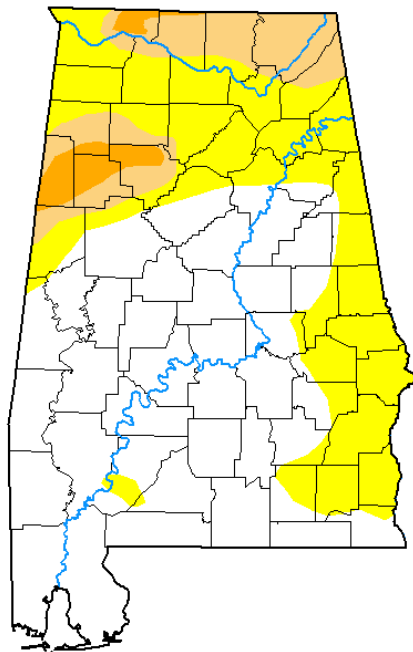
Average Temperature (°F)
July 29, 2024 to August 04, 2024



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U.S. Drought Monitor
Alabama

July 30, 2024
(Released Thursday, Aug. 1, 2024)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



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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