



**United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
Alabama Crop Progress
and Condition 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 July 17, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 1.74 inches of rain up to 3.2 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the low 70s.

County Comments

Some places are beginning to receive some rainfall however, many areas still remain in a severe drought.

Tyler Sandlin, Colbert County

Rain showers in the region brought much needed relief from the dry weather. However, much more is needed to provide sufficient growth for hay production. Many livestock producers are feeding hay and other supplements.

Henry Dorough, St. Clair County

The county has received some much needed scattered rain over the last several days. The crops and grassland that received this rain has responded well. However the rain has been very sporadic and parts of the counties' crops received little to none of the rain. The corn crop has suffered the most from the recent dry weather. The soybean and cotton crops look like they are going to pull out well if we keep getting a little rain alone.

Zachary Burns, Marshall County

Corn crop maturing rapidly; harvest set to begin on the earlier fields within a few weeks. Cotton layby well underway with most fields lapping the middles.

Jeffery Smith, Elmore County

Corn may have suffered the last week of maturity, but won't know until harvest time.

Karen McDonald, Monroe County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/17/16

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	21	NA	NA	NA
Cotton - Squaring.....	90	85	90	80
Cotton - Setting Bolls	51	38	46	35
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	58	50	67	NA
Peanuts - Pegging.....	61	53	78	59
Soybeans - Blooming.....	63	47	68	50
Soybeans - Setting Pods .	33	11	34	17

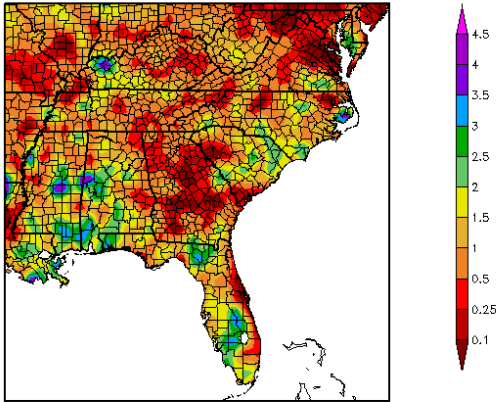
Conditions for Week Ending 07/17/16

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	5	18	70	6
Corn.....	12	20	32	34	2
Cotton.....	1	4	47	43	5
Pasture and range	8	16	32	39	5
Peanuts.....	0	0	53	41	6
Soybeans.....	2	15	36	44	3

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/17/16

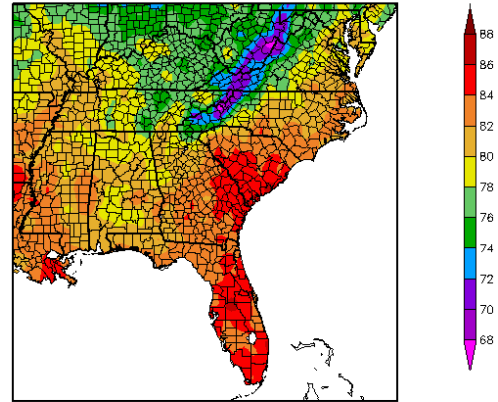
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	19	21	6
Short.....	33	34	21
Adequate.....	47	45	62
Surplus.....	1	0	11
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	17	18	NA
Short.....	35	36	NA
Adequate.....	47	46	NA
Surplus.....	1	0	NA

Precipitation (in)
7/11/2016 - 7/17/2016



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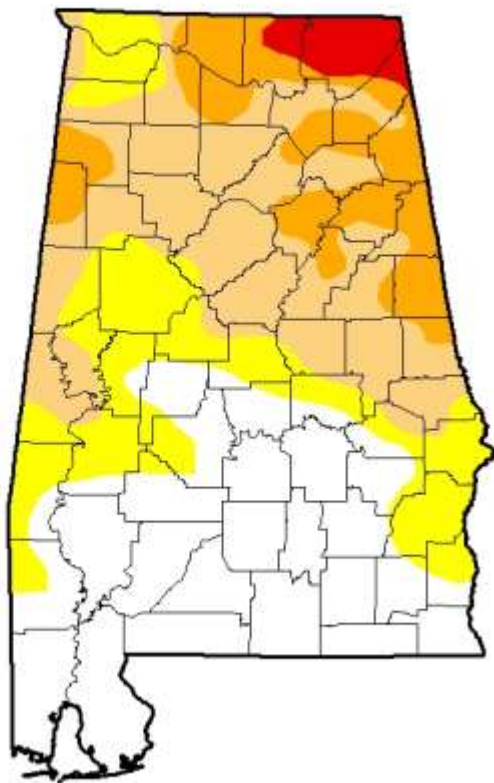
Temperature (F)
7/11/2016 - 7/17/2016



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	37.05	62.95	42.74	15.48	2.72	0.00
Last Week 7/5/2016	35.70	64.30	43.03	18.60	3.32	0.00
3 Months Ago 4/12/2016	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 1/2/2016	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Winter Year 8/28/2015	37.12	62.88	4.86	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 7/14/2015	74.95	25.05	8.60	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought
- D2 Severe Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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