



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 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 2, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.33 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the high 70s.

**County Comments**

Hot and dry conditions have dried grasses and row crops rapidly. Cullman County didn't receive any rainfall this week. Need rain.

**Belinda Woods, Cullman County**

It was a very dry and breezy week. Final hay cutting are in progress and corn harvest has begun. We could use some rain.

**David West, Calhoun County**

Some areas are extremely dry with the lack of rain over several weeks. Dry conditions favored corn harvest but resulted in irrigation of cotton and soybeans.

**Henry Dorough, Talladega County**

Widely scattered showers continued to dot the Wiregrass over the past week. This much need moisture continued to help the development of both peanuts and cotton. Corn and hay harvest was delayed as a result of rain showers. Field spraying continued.

**Willie Durr, Houston County**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/02/18**

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested .....	49	27	48	29
Cotton - Setting Bolls .....	97	95	99	99
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	41	28	25	28
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	53	35	NA	NA
Peanuts - Dug.....	0	NA	NA	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods .	94	84	95	NA
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves.....	32	7	25	24

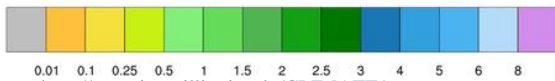
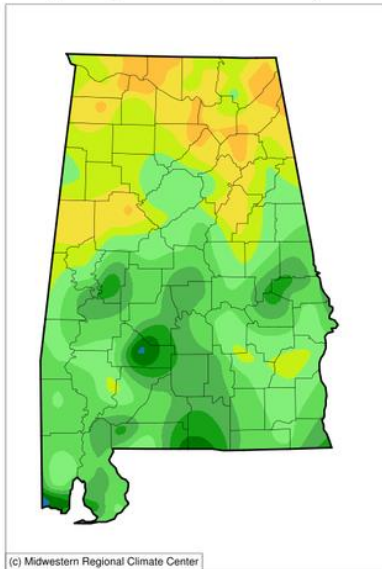
**Conditions for Week Ending 09/02/18**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	1	13	76	10
Corn .....	0	0	9	60	31
Cotton.....	0	0	18	60	22
Pasture and range .....	0	2	11	69	18
Peanuts .....	0	3	20	57	20
Soybeans .....	0	0	19	75	6

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/02/18**

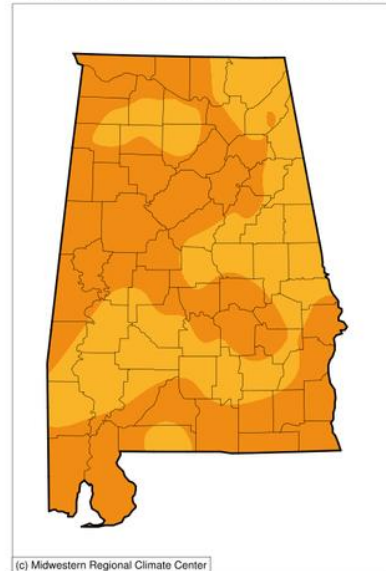
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	3	2	NA
Short.....	30	20	NA
Adequate .....	62	74	NA
Surplus .....	5	4	NA
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	2	2	NA
Short.....	27	17	NA
Adequate .....	66	77	NA
Surplus .....	5	4	NA

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
August 27, 2018 to September 02, 2018



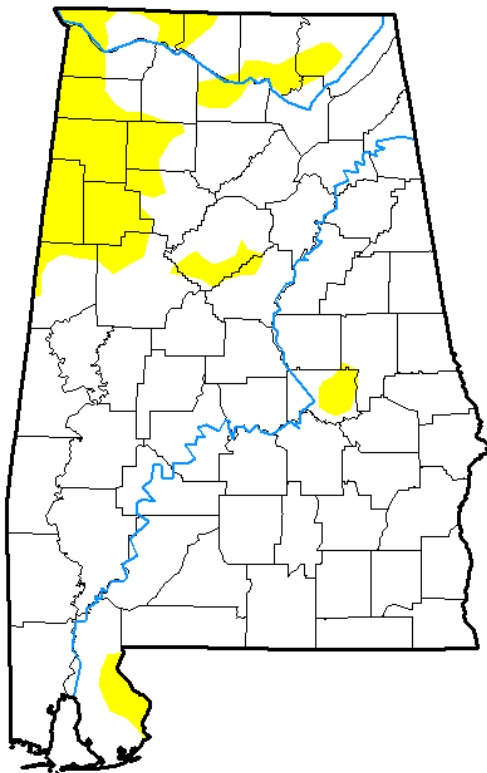
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**Average Temperature (°F)**  
August 27, 2018 to September 02, 2018



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



**August 28, 2018**  
(Released Thursday, Aug. 30, 2018)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	87.99	12.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 08-21-2018	91.06	8.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 05-29-2018	89.17	10.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-02-2018	19.01	80.99	26.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-26-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 08-29-2017	99.95	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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