



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 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 19, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 3.22 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the upper 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50s to the low 70s.

County Comments

Spotty showers hampered drying and some field work. Producers hurried to get cotton planted as final plant date was the 15th. What corn was planted is all that is going to be. Soybean planting ramped up, wheat is progressing, hay cutting started around rain, cattle continued to look good.

Shannon Parker, Morgan County

The week began with wet soils that dried quickly allowing field operations to resume. Crop activities included spraying corn and planting soybeans and cotton. Hay production continued with most fields getting rain from scattered strong storms late in the week.

Henry Dorough, Talladega County

A few acres of cotton were still left to plant but most was emerged and looked good but will need rain before long. Limited soybean acres this year with market prices as they are. Corn looked good with most already laid by.

Jeffrey Smith, Coosa County

Air and soil temperatures were inching up and causing corn producers to run irrigation equipment. Cotton and peanut planters were running wide open throughout the Wiregrass area.

Willie Durr, Houston County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/19/19

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Emerged	97	91	93	92
Cotton - Planted.....	72	49	65	60
Hay - 1st Cutting	66	48	68	61
Peanuts - Planted	62	40	63	49
Soybeans - Planted	31	13	42	45
Soybeans - Emerged	13	3	32	24
Winter wheat - Harvested	12	3	6	6

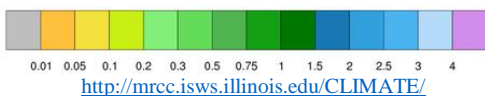
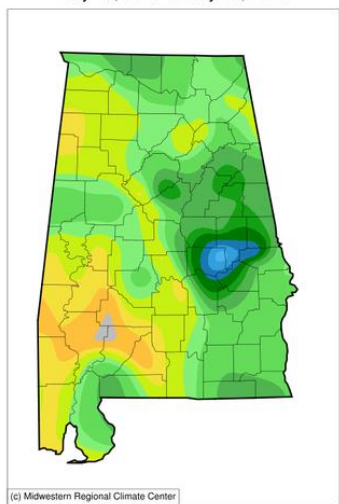
Conditions for Week Ending 05/19/19

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	1	23	66	10
Corn	0	0	11	81	8
Pasture and range	1	2	12	75	10
Winter wheat.....	0	3	22	71	4

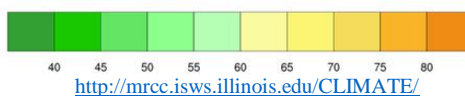
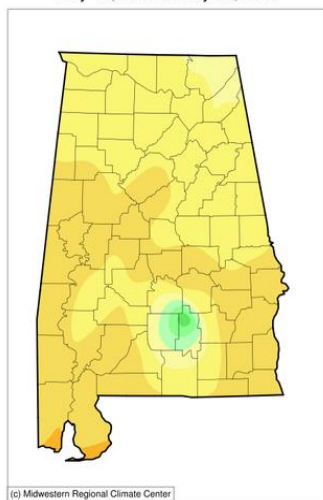
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/19/19

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short	1	3
Short.....	11	1
Adequate	78	75
Surplus	10	21
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short	1	3
Short.....	8	1
Adequate	84	81
Surplus	7	15

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 13, 2019 to May 19, 2019

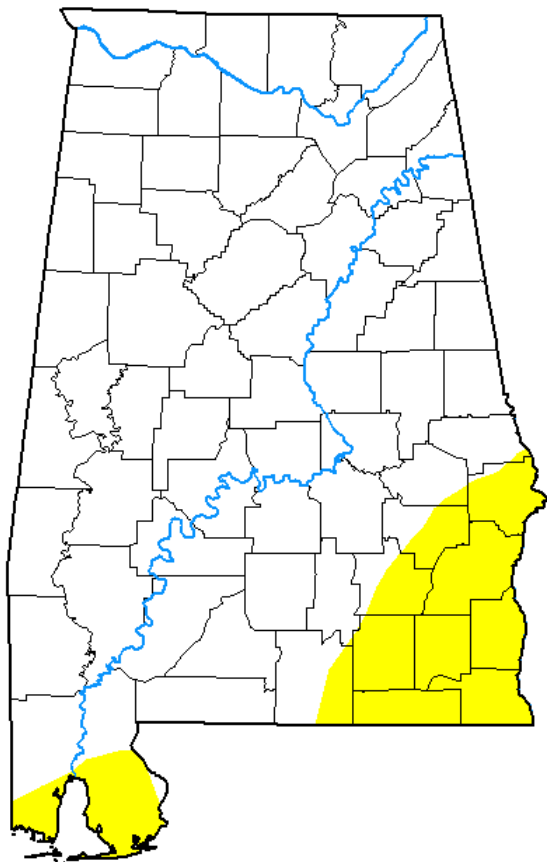


Average Temperature (°F)
May 13, 2019 to May 19, 2019



U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

May 14, 2019
(Released Thursday, May. 16, 2019)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	86.52	13.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>05-07-2019</i>	81.33	18.67	10.83	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>02-12-2019</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2019</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2018</i>	62.25	37.75	7.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>05-15-2018</i>	60.10	39.90	7.34	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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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