



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 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 2, 2020. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 4.2 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the high 70s.

Crops

Hot, dry conditions along the eastern half of the state resulted in several more counties entering into abnormally dry designation. Despite the summer heat and limited rain in some areas, row crops overall remained in mostly good condition. Producers ran irrigation between scattered rain events. Corn was drying down nicely.

Livestock and Pastures

The central portion of the state received ideal rainfall over the past couple weeks, resulting in good to excellent pasture and hay conditions. Meanwhile, other counties reported dry fields. Cattle continued to be in mostly good condition.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/02/20

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Mature	52	39	54	58
Cotton - Squaring	94	91	95	93
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	75	60	73	77
Hay - 2nd Cutting	89	85	90	84
Peanuts - Pegging.....	96	92	95	87
Soybeans - Blooming	80	78	84	85
Soybeans - Setting Pods.	58	50	63	60

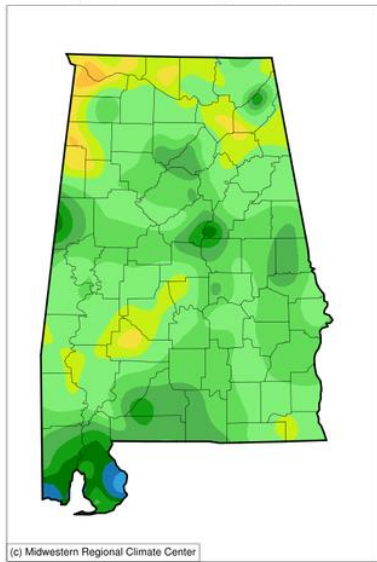
Conditions for Week Ending 08/02/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	1	19	71	9
Corn	0	0	10	72	18
Cotton	0	1	14	73	12
Pasture and range..	0	1	18	75	6
Peanuts.....	0	0	13	70	17
Soybeans	0	0	7	80	13

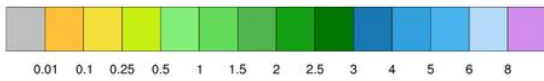
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/02/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	4	5
Short	13	16
Adequate.....	82	79
Surplus.....	1	0
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	3	5
Short	12	15
Adequate.....	84	80
Surplus.....	1	0

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 27, 2020 to August 02, 2020

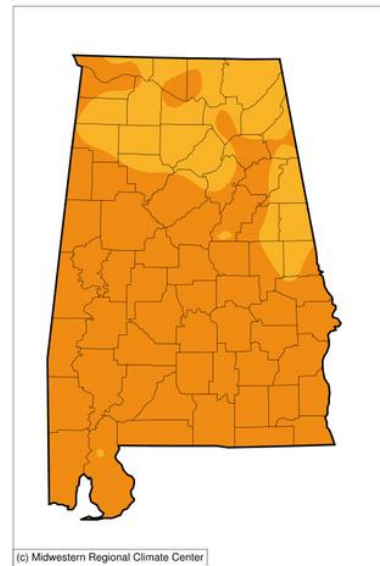


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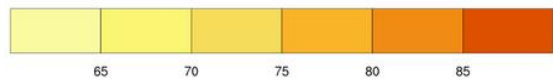


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Average Temperature (°F)
July 27, 2020 to August 02, 2020



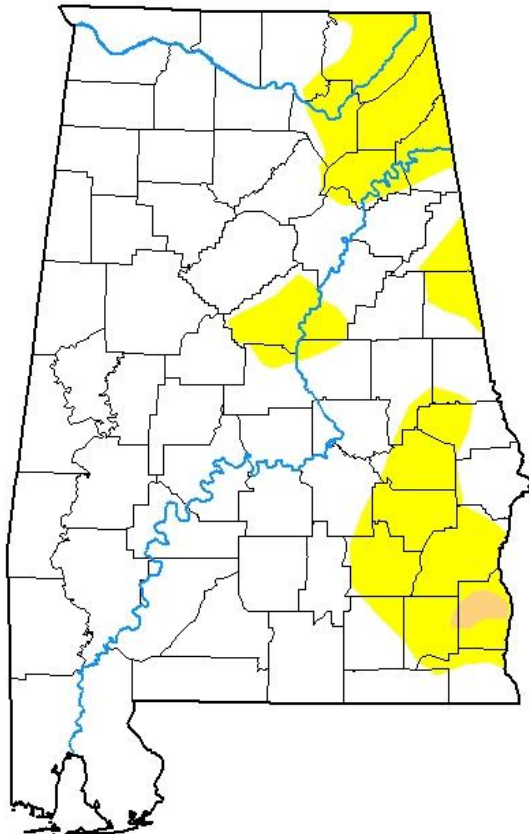
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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

July 28, 2020
(Released Thursday, Jul. 30, 2020)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	81.22	18.78	0.47	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 07-21-2020	94.88	5.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 04-28-2020	91.35	8.65	3.59	0.50	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2019	0.00	100.00	35.36	11.99	3.54	0.00
One Year Ago 07-30-2019	61.32	38.68	13.41	4.27	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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