

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.

November 13, 2023 Media Contact: Charmaine Wilson

General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Alabama for the week ending Sunday, November 12, 2023. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts to 1.0 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 40s to the high 50s.

Crops

Most of the state received a small amount of precipitation last week, with the southeastern region of the state receiving the most. Despite the rain, most of the state remained in severe or worse drought conditions according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. Reporters noted that the dry weather continued to prevent operators from planting winter wheat and other winter crops. Peanut and soybean harvest neared completion, while cotton harvest remained ahead of schedule compared to historical averages.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle were reported to be in good to fair condition, while pastures were reported to be in poor to fair condition. Pastures remained in poor condition due to the lack of rain, with reporters noting that a no burn order was issued by the state last week. Cattle continued to be fed supplemental hay.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/12/23

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Harvested	79	68	79	72
Peanuts - Dug	97	94	97	96
Peanuts - Harvested	91	85	91	88
Soybeans - Harvested	91	80	94	79
Winter Wheat - Planted	54	45	49	44
Winter Wheat - Emerged	29	6	14	21

Conditions for Week Ending 11/12/23

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	2	8	28	61	1
Pasture and range	28	39	30	3	0

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/12/23

Topsoil	Previous week	This week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	43	51	
Short	47	38	
Adequate	10	11	
Surplus	0	0	
Subsoil	Previous week	This week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	38	39	
Short	53	48	
Adequate	9	13	
Surplus	0	0	

Accumulated Precipitation (in) November 06, 2023 to November 12, 2023

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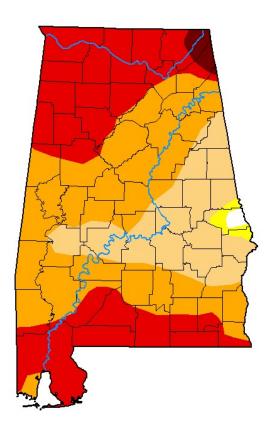
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Average Temperature (°F)



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



November 7, 2023

(Released Thursday, Nov. 9, 2023) Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.44	99.56	98.52	78.57	37.54	1.38
Last Week 10-31-2023	0.43	99.57	95.39	58.37	28.70	0.00
3 Month s Ago 08-08-2023	92.74	7.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2023	55.18	44.82	17.97	0.91	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2023	21.58	78.42	30.60	16.04	2.30	0.00
One Year Ago 11-08-2022	11.27	88.73	41.55	4.92	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

None

D2 Severe Drought

D0 Abnormally Dry
D1 Moderate 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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