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# 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, there were 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Alabama for the week ending Sunday, November 26, 2023. Precipitation ranged from 0.4 inches to 3.8 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 50s to the high 60s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 30s to the high 40s.

# Crops

Much of the state finally received a significant amount of rain last week, with the northern and southwestern regions of the state receiving the most precipitation. Despite the rain, most of the state remained in severe or worse drought conditions according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. Harvest activities were slowed by the precipitation, but better soil conditions allowed more operators to seed winter crops.

# **Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle were reported to be in good to fair condition, while pastures were reported to be in poor to very poor condition. Despite the precipitation last week, reporters noted that more rain is needed to significantly improve conditions for cattle grazing.

# Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/26/23

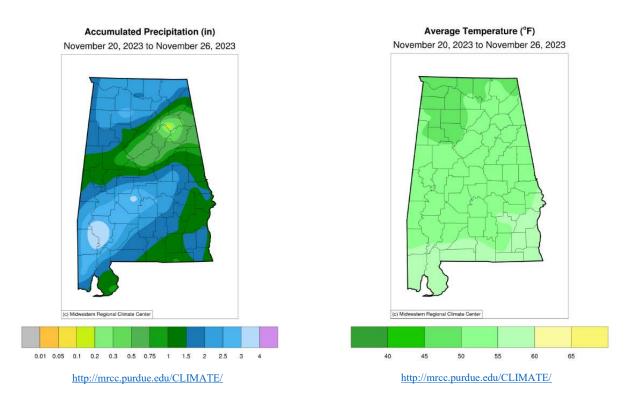
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Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Cotton - Harvested	90	89	91	86	
Peanuts - Harvested	99	94	96	96	
Winter Wheat - Planted	81	65	83	73	
Winter Wheat - Emerged	59	26	49	52	

# Conditions for Week Ending 11/26/23

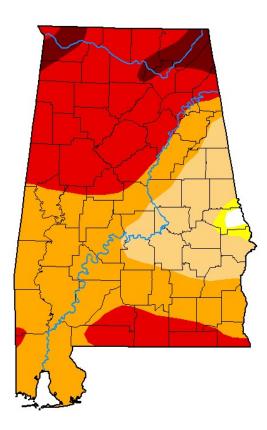
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Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Cattle Pasture and range	2 34	10 40	34 23	53 3	1 0	

# Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/26/23

Topsoil	Previous week	This week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	51	48	
Short	32	26	
Adequate	17	23	
Surplus	0	3	
Subsoil	Previous week	This week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	41	39	
Short	44	45	
Adequate	14	12	
Surplus	1	4	



U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

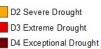


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	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.44	99.56	98.64	82.95	42.28	4.79
Last Week 11-14-2023	0.44	99.56	98.64	80.27	50.75	5.97
3 Month s Ago 08-22-2023	69.76	30.24	<mark>9.71</mark>	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of 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 11-22-2022	4.32	<mark>95.68</mark>	48.87	4.87	0.00	0.00

## Intensity:





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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