



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.

April 10, 2023

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Alabama, there were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 9, 2023. Precipitation ranged from 0.5 inches of rain to 4.8 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the low 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50s to the mid 60s.

Crops

Much of the state again received a significant amount of rain last week, with only the southwestern region of the state receiving limited precipitation. Reporters noted that some areas experienced significant storms with some reports of tornadoes. The precipitation prevented field work throughout the week in many areas, but operators still made progress planting corn when conditions allowed. Winter wheat was reported to be in mostly fair to good condition with strong progress in heading last week.

Livestock and Pastures

Pastures continued to improve, especially in areas with significant precipitation, although there were reports of standing water in some fields. Cattle were reported to be in mostly good condition.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 4/9/23

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Planted	35	21	32	34
Corn - Emerged.....	12	8	13	15
Winter Wheat - Headed.....	21	5	20	23

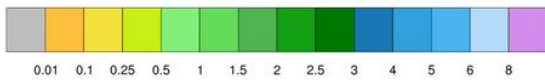
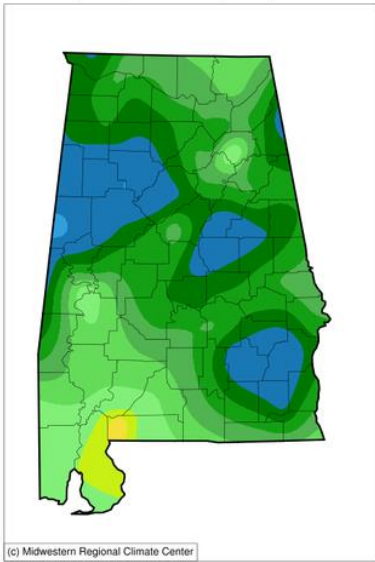
Conditions for Week Ending 4/9/23

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Winter Wheat.....	0	8	53	36	3
Cattle.....	1	3	18	74	4
Pasture & range.....	1	4	26	66	3

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 4/9/23

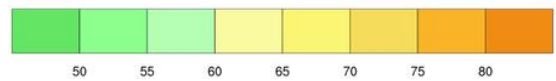
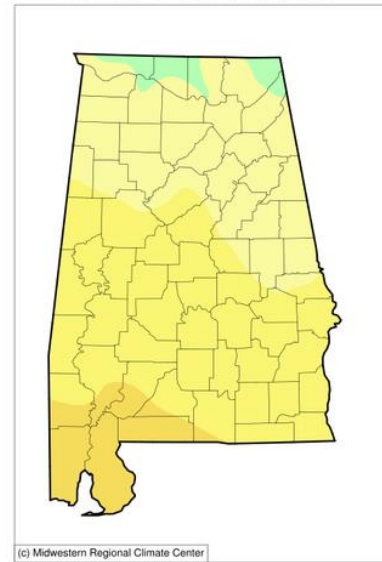
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	5	0
Short	7	1
Adequate	62	64
Surplus.....	26	35
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	4	0
Short	7	3
Adequate	85	85
Surplus.....	4	12

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 03, 2023 to April 09, 2023



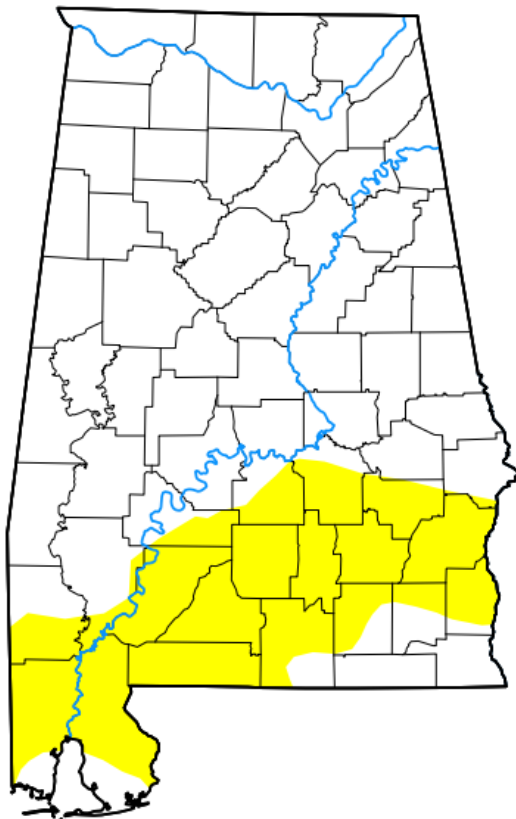
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Average Temperature (°F)
April 03, 2023 to April 09, 2023



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



April 4, 2023
(Released Thursday, Apr. 6, 2023)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	75.25	24.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 03-28-2023	71.20	28.80	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 01-03-2023	55.18	44.82	17.97	0.91	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 09-27-2022	67.58	32.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 04-05-2022	85.94	14.06	0.68	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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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