

### **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, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Alabama for the week ending Sunday, June 4, 2023. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 2.2 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the high 60s.

### **Crops**

Last week was a very dry week for the entire state outside of a small portion of the southeastern region. The dry weather allowed operators to conduct a significant amount of fieldwork throughout the week. With corn planting completed, silking of the crop started to gain traction. Reporters noted that operations equipped with irrigation started to use it while in many non-irrigated fields, corn began to wilt during the heat of the day. Cotton planting neared completion, with squaring beginning to progress in certain areas. More operators completed a first cutting of hay, but progress remained behind previous years. Peanut and soybean planting both continued to make strong progress, while winter wheat harvest picked up steam. Reporters noted that some corn and soybeans had to be replanted due to drowning in low laying fields this season.

### **Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle and pastures were reported to be in mostly good condition. Reporters noted that rain is badly needed in some areas of the state due to persistent dry and hot weather.

### Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/4/23

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn – Silking	10	2	12	10
Cotton - Planted	90	79	90	91
Cotton – Squaring	4	1	6	3
Hay - 1st Cutting	94	70	85	92
Peanuts - Planted	82	61	85	85
Soybeans - Planted	71	65	75	63
Soybeans - Emerged	53	33	54	49
Winter Wheat - Harvested		14	29	28

### Conditions for Week Ending 06/4/23

Crop	Very poor	ery poor Poor		Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	1	6	92	1
Corn	0	0	8	88	4
Cotton	0	1	16	82	1
Pasture and range	0	1	17	79	3
Peanuts	0	0	8	89	3
Winter Wheat	0	0	31	46	23

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/4/23

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0 1 92 7	0 20 79 1
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0 1 98 1	1 7 92 0

# May 29, 2023 to June 04, 2023 (c) Midwestern Regional Climate Center

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)** 

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Average Temperature (°F)

May 29, 2023 to June 04, 2023

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80

## U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



May 30, 2023 (Released Thursday, Jun. 1, 2023) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 05-23-2023	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 02-28-2023	96.93	3.07	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 09-27-2022	67.58	32.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 05-31-2022	96.15	3.85	0.00	0.00	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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