



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 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork in Alabama for the week ending Sunday, July 9, 2023. Precipitation ranged from 0.2 inches to 5.7 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Most of the state received a moderate amount of rain last week, with the western and central regions of the state receiving significant amounts. Temperatures continued to remain high across the state, with some areas experiencing record highs. Both factors limited the amount of field work operators conducted last week. With planting completed, corn and soybean fields continued to make strong progress; corn in silking and blooming, and soybeans had nearly all emerged. Both cotton boll setting and soybean pod setting started to pick up steam across the state. Peanut pegging made modest progress, while the second cutting of hay made strong progress in the drier areas of the state.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures were reported to be in mostly good condition. Operators noted some fields were flooded after heavy rain.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 7/9/23

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Silking.....	92	66	84	93
Cotton - Squaring.....	78	64	75	70
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	27	5	13	23
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	65	34	47	61
Peanuts - Pegging.....	54	32	39	60
Soybeans - Emerged.....	95	92	96	94
Soybeans - Blooming.....	46	39	50	44
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	8	1	10	6

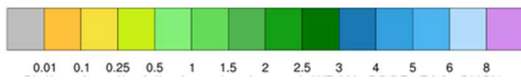
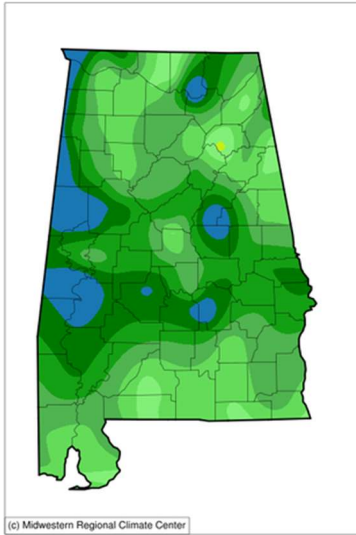
Conditions for Week Ending 7/9/23

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	1	7	86	6
Corn.....	0	1	10	63	26
Cotton.....	0	3	22	70	5
Pasture and range....	0	2	8	84	6
Peanuts.....	0	0	20	74	6
Soybeans.....	0	0	6	92	2

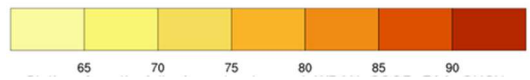
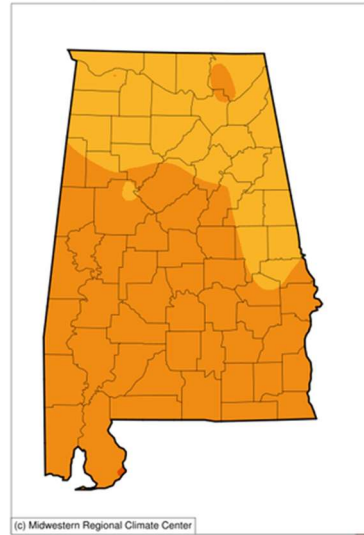
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 7/9/23

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	12	7
Adequate.....	77	71
Surplus.....	11	22
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	13	7
Adequate.....	80	82
Surplus.....	7	11

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



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



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

July 4, 2023
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Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	82.86	17.14	3.40	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-27-2023	75.65	24.35	5.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 04-04-2023	75.25	24.75	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 07-05-2022	65.27	34.73	6.25	0.06	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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