



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 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork in Alabama for the week ending Sunday, July 2, 2023. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 2.9 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the low 80s.

**Crops**

Hot conditions coupled with occasional storm showers moved into the state last week. Although much of the state received some rainfall from sporadic showers, many producers noted the rainfall was insufficient to help their crops. High moisture levels for wheat delayed harvest which then slowed the final planting of double cropped soybeans in the northern part of the state. Despite the delays, soybean planting was mostly completed throughout the state. Nearly all soybeans had emerged and blooming was well under way. Cotton continued to square and started setting bolls. More operations completed a second cutting of hay given the favorable conditions for harvest. Peanuts pegging made good progress catching back up compared to previous year totals.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle and pastures were reported to be in mostly good condition. Rainfall from the previous week helped improve pasture conditions.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/02/23**

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Silking.....	81	52	66	83
Cotton - Squaring.....	63	45	64	55
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	9	1	5	10
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	51	21	34	46
Peanuts - Pegging.....	36	14	32	42
Soybeans - Planted.....	97	94	98	96
Soybeans - Emerged.....	88	89	92	87
Soybeans - Blooming.....	34	22	39	33
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	1	NA	1	1
Winter wheat - Harvested ..	96	92	97	96

(NA) Not available.

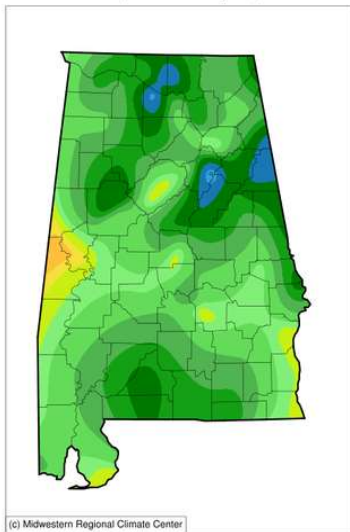
**Conditions for Week Ending 07/02/23**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	1	6	89	4
Corn.....	0	2	7	65	26
Cotton.....	0	3	21	71	5
Pasture and range....	0	1	9	88	2
Peanuts.....	0	0	18	79	3
Soybeans.....	0	0	7	92	1

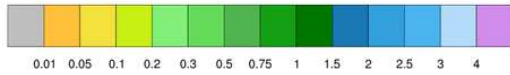
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/02/23**

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	3	12
Adequate.....	81	77
Surplus.....	16	11
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	4	13
Adequate.....	86	80
Surplus.....	10	7

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
June 26, 2023 to July 02, 2023

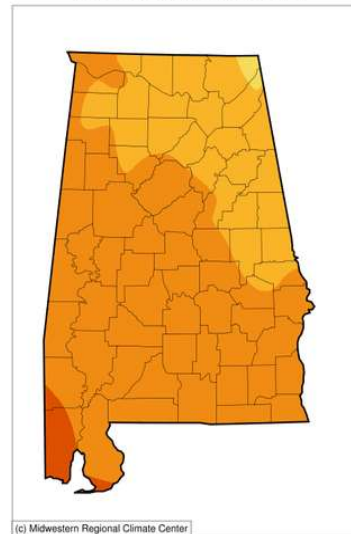


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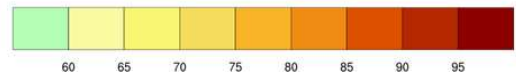


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**Average Temperature (°F)**  
June 26, 2023 to July 02, 2023



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

**June 27, 2023**  
(Released Thursday, Jun. 29, 2023)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	75.65	24.35	5.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>06-20-2023</i>	75.65	24.35	4.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>03-28-2023</i>	71.20	28.80	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2023</i>	55.18	44.82	17.97	0.91	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-27-2022</i>	67.58	32.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>06-28-2022</i>	51.52	48.48	1.86	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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