



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
**South Carolina Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in South Carolina, there were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 18, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 6.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the low 70s.

County Comments

The area has received a lot of rain over the last couple of weeks from Hermine and Julia. The ground is thoroughly saturated and more rain is expected through Wednesday. Most farming operations are on hold waiting for dryer conditions hopefully later this week.

Russell Skipper, Horry County

Some progress made in peanut digging. A few fields of cotton defoliated but most focus is on peanuts.

Charles Davis, Calhoun County

Fall greens are progressing well. Some farmers have heavy insect pressure on fall greens, and the rain patterns have made it more difficult to control. Peanuts are being turned and harvested in some areas.

Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/18/16

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested.....	91	88	93	88
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	60	43	77	60
Cotton - Harvested.....	1	0	1	2
Peanuts - Harvested.....	10	4	4	9
Soybeans - Setting Pods	91	84	94	85
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves	12	7	2	2
Tobacco - Harvested.....	95	93	89	96

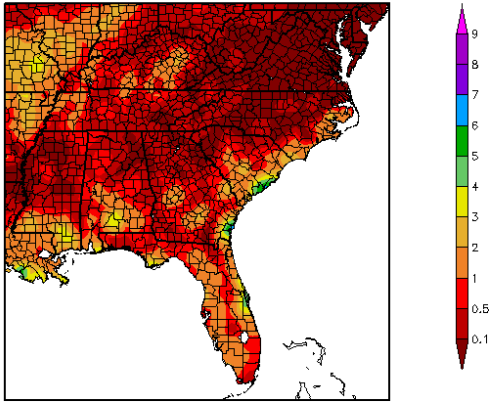
Crop Condition for Week Ending 09/18/16

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	1	24	69	6
Cotton	0	0	55	42	3
Pasture and range.....	4	21	27	44	4
Peanuts.....	0	5	22	65	8
Soybeans.....	0	4	17	61	18

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/18/16

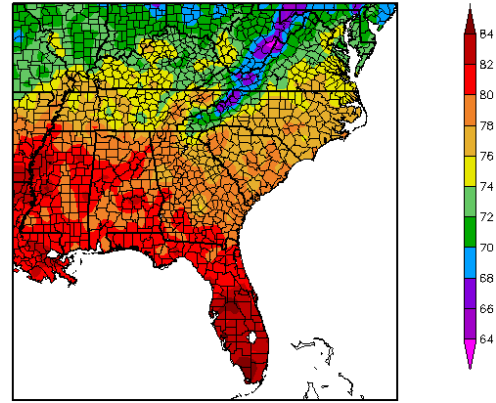
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	3	3	13
Short.....	15	16	36
Adequate.....	69	65	49
Surplus.....	13	16	2
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	2	2	NA
Short.....	15	16	NA
Adequate.....	69	67	NA
Surplus.....	14	15	NA

Precipitation (in)
9/12/2016 – 9/18/2016



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Temperature (F)
9/12/2016 – 9/18/2016

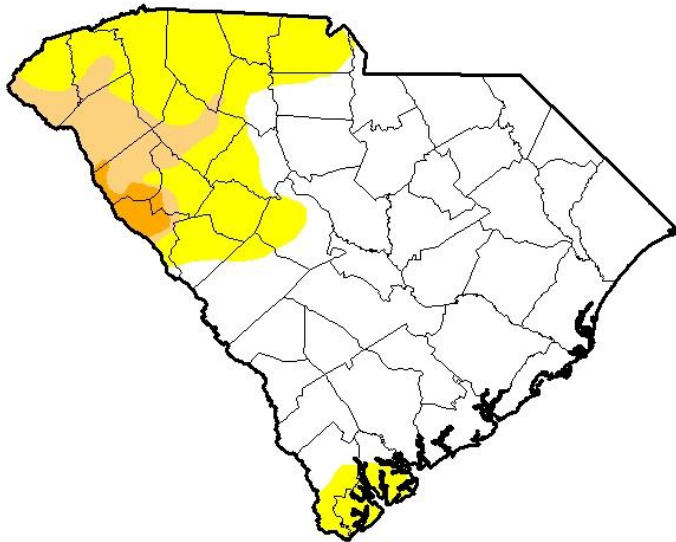


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http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2016.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	69.33	30.67	7.90	1.45	0.00	0.00
Last Week 9/6/2016	71.65	28.35	7.90	1.45	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 6/14/2016	75.74	24.26	9.78	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12/29/2015	99.66	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/29/2015	26.80	73.20	31.76	10.91	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 9/15/2015	7.24	92.76	65.81	33.49	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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