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South Carolina 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.

September 7, 2021

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in South Carolina, there were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 5, 2021. Precipitation ranged from little rain to 3.2 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the high 70s.

Crops

A variety of vegetables were harvested and marketed last week. Lower humidity and limited rainfall throughout the week allowed corn harvest to progress considerably and overcome some of the prior moisture related delays. Drier conditions also benefitted hay producers as the second cutting neared completion. Cotton made only slight advancement opening bolls, but the crop's condition remained in mostly good condition. Soybeans showed substantial progress setting pods and some reports of leaves dropping were received. Some peanuts were reported to have exhibited signs of heat stress by week's end due to drier soil conditions.

Livestock and Pastures

Some producers continued to battle armyworms in pastures and hayfields, but overall pasture and cattle conditions remained mostly good last week.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/05/21

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Mature	98	94	96	98
Corn - Harvested	65	34	60	73
Cotton - Setting Bolls	91	97	99	97
Cotton - Bolls Opening	6	12	17	28
Hay - 2nd Cutting	99	94	99	96
Soybeans - Blooming	89	91	93	94
Soybeans - Setting Pods	64	55	68	67
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves	1	NA	2	2
Tobacco - Harvested	72	78	84	83

(NA) Not available

Conditions for Week Ending 09/05/21

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	3	16	66	15
Corn	0	0	3	58	39
Cotton	0	0	22	64	14
Pasture and range	0	3	25	58	14
Peanuts	0	0	13	76	11
Soybeans	0	0	7	70	23

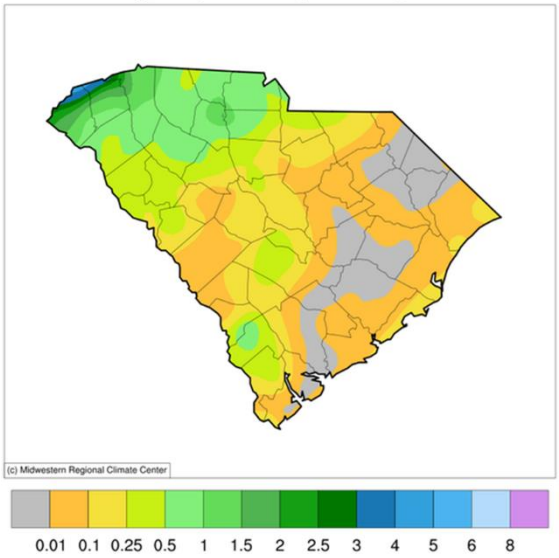
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/05/21

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0	0
Short	10	30
Adequate	90	70
Surplus	0	0

Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0	0
Short	9	15
Adequate	90	85
Surplus	1	0

Accumulated Precipitation (in)

August 30, 2021 to September 05, 2021



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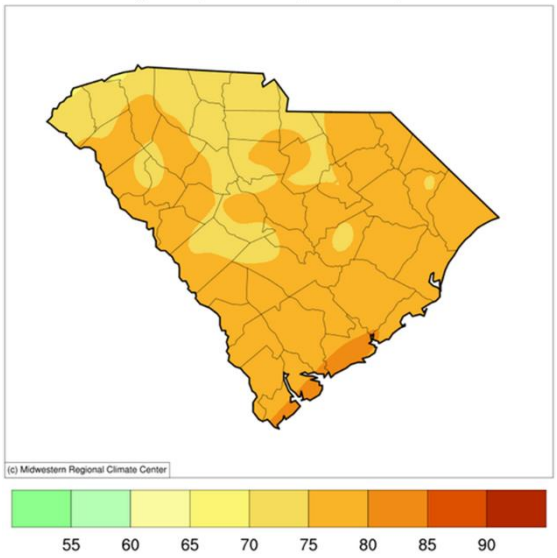
Average Temperature (°F)

August 30, 2021 to September 05, 2021



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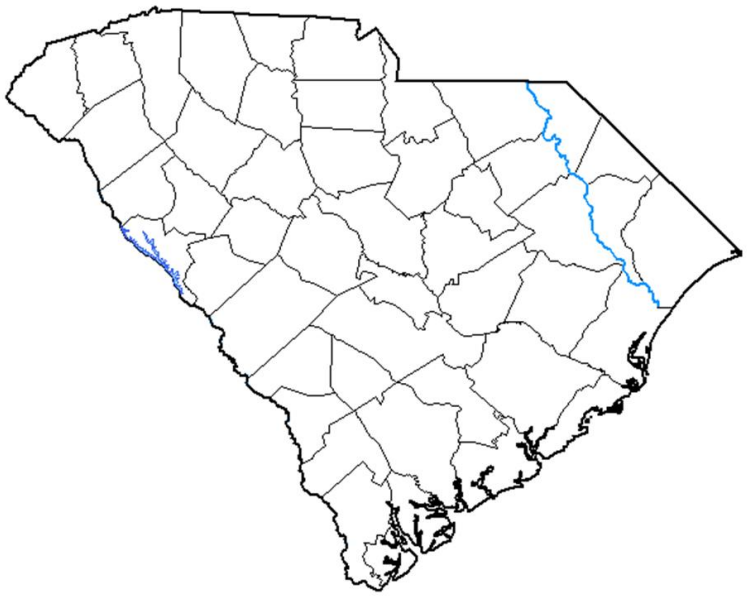
For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2021.php

U.S. Drought Monitor

South Carolina



August 31, 2021

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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 *08-24-2021*	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago *06-01-2021*	27.77	72.23	35.14	20.77	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *12-29-2020*	86.70	13.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-29-2020*	99.42	0.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago *09-01-2020*	98.46	1.54	0.00	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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