



**United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service**

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.

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in South Carolina, there were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 17, 2024. Precipitation totals from available reporting stations ranged from no rain to 2.3 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the low 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the high 50s.

Crops

Most of the state received some rain last week, with the Upstate region receiving the most significant precipitation. Harvest activities were slowed down in wetter regions of the state, but increased soil moisture was beneficial for operators seeding small grains and winter grazing crops. Despite inconsistent weather throughout the season, cotton, peanut, and soybean harvest remained ahead of historical timelines with generally good conditions reported.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle were in mostly good condition, while pastures were in mostly fair to poor condition. Pasture conditions continued to improve in regions that received rain last week, although growth remained slow. Operators continued to feed supplemental hay to cattle in drier areas of the state.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/17/24

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Harvested.....	69	70	76	69
Peanuts - Harvested	89	90	95	89
Soybeans - Harvested	64	50	63	51
Winter Wheat - Planted.....	31	31	43	32
Winter Wheat - Emerged ...	15	16	25	16

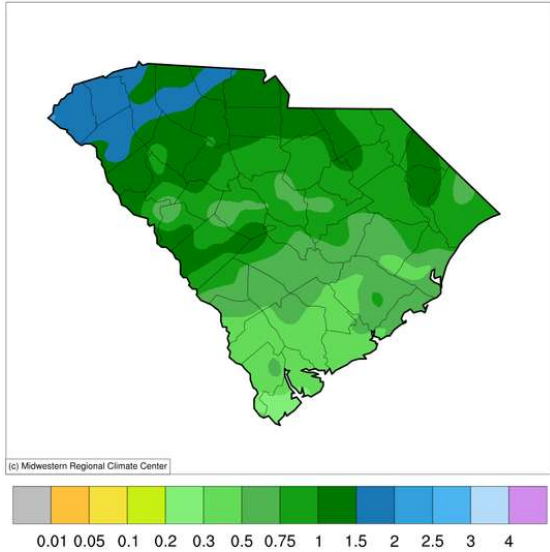
Conditions for Week Ending 11/17/24

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	2	10	35	51	2
Pasture and range	9	28	48	14	1

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/17/24

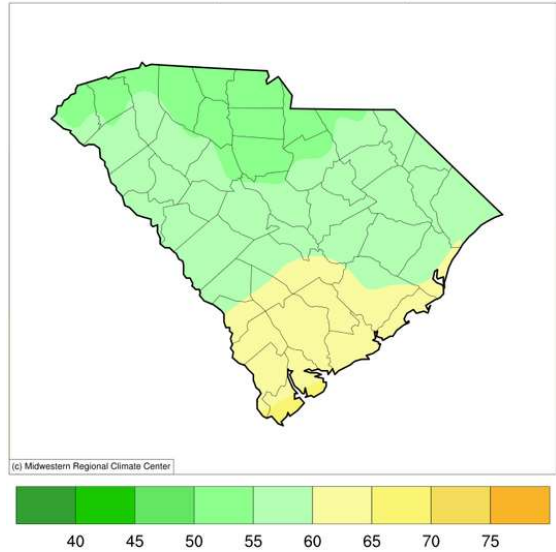
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	22	10
Short.....	20	12
Adequate	38	50
Surplus	20	28
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	6	3
Short.....	37	23
Adequate	37	48
Surplus	20	26

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
November 11, 2024 to November 17, 2024



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Average Temperature (°F)
November 11, 2024 to November 17, 2024

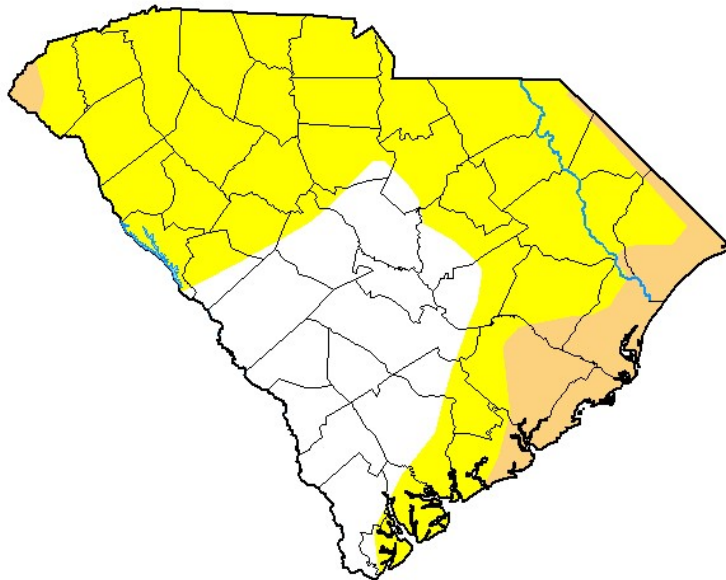


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For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary: http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2024.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

November 12, 2024
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Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	27.84	72.16	10.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 11-05-2024	0.00	100.00	35.68	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-13-2024	80.73	19.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2024	60.82	39.18	16.08	1.61	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2024	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 11-14-2023	24.88	75.12	48.54	30.68	6.66	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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