



**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.

July 8, 2024

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## General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in South Carolina, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 7, 2024. Precipitation totals from available reporting stations ranged from no rain to over 7 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 80s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the mid 70s.

## Crops

It was a dry week for most of the state, with only a few isolated areas in the state receiving a significant amount of precipitation. Despite thunderstorms and rain in some areas, temperatures remained high throughout the state. Reporters noted that corn fields continued to suffer due to the weather, with the rain received reportedly not enough to improve conditions. Soybean fields were also reported to need more rain, with some operators unable to plant double cropped soybeans due to dry weather. Cotton and peanuts were reported to be in better condition, with producers optimistic that there is still time for those crops to recover from the drought. Peaches continued to be harvested at a good rate, while tobacco was reported to be in good shape.

## Livestock and Pastures

Cattle were in mostly good to fair condition, while pastures were to be mostly fair to good. Pastures that received rain were reported to have greened up some, while those in drier areas continued to struggle. Cattle producers in some areas were having to feed hay due to lack of available forage.

## Crop Progress for Week Ending 7/7/24

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Silking .....	93	93	96	93
Corn - Mature .....	11	2	22	7
Cotton - Squaring.....	38	42	65	52
Cotton - Setting Bolls .....	5	5	22	14
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	23	34	44	20
Peaches - Harvested .....	56	54	64	59
Peanuts - Pegging .....	64	55	68	64
Soybeans - Emerged .....	91	87	93	91
Soybeans - Blooming.....	8	14	24	13
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	1	NA	2	0

(NA) Not Available

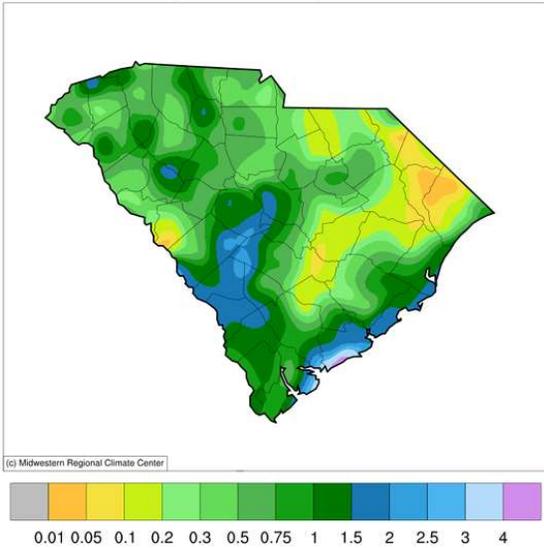
## Conditions for Week Ending 7/7/24

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle .....	2	14	36	46	2
Corn .....	25	34	26	14	1
Cotton.....	6	9	40	44	1
Pasture and range ....	11	31	41	16	1
Peanuts .....	0	5	39	53	3
Soybeans .....	5	14	45	36	0

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending 7/7/24

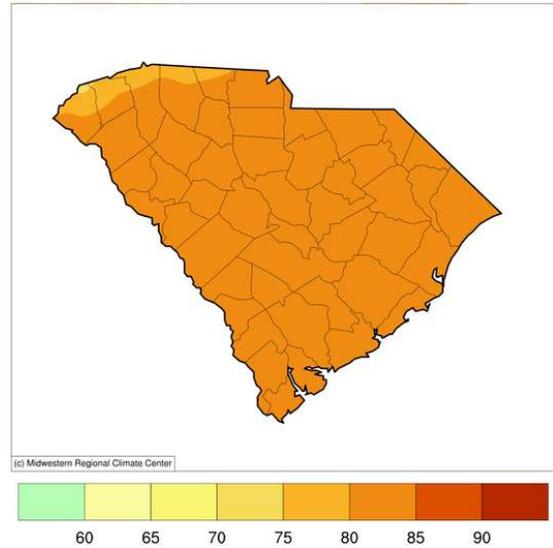
Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	33	28
Short.....	39	31
Adequate .....	26	38
Surplus .....	2	3
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	30	27
Short.....	42	41
Adequate .....	27	30
Surplus .....	1	2

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
July 01, 2024 to July 07, 2024



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**Average Temperature (°F)**  
July 01, 2024 to July 07, 2024

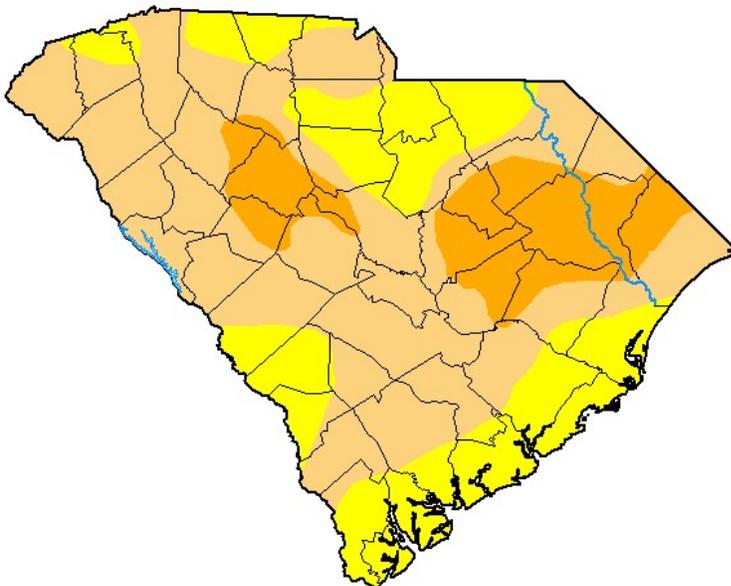


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For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary: [http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli\\_reports\\_2024.php](http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2024.php)

## U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

**July 2, 2024**  
(Released Wednesday, Jul. 3, 2024)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	0.01	99.99	71.11	16.84	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 06-25-2024	0.00	100.00	40.59	0.48	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 04-02-2024	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-02-2024	60.82	39.18	16.08	1.61	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-26-2023	76.91	23.09	1.19	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 07-04-2023	100.00	0.00	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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