



CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

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Rain Provides Relief For Crops

Data tables reflect the week ending: **June 9, 2013**

CROP PROGRESS

Crop	This Week	Last Week	2012	5-Yr Avg.
	Percent			
Corn Emerged	98	97	100	100
Corn Silked	9	1	43	25
Cotton Planted	98	96	100	94
Cotton Squaring	1	0	21	8
Peanuts Planted	89	81	95	85
Soybeans Planted	54	43	78	70
Soybeans Emerged	39	29	60	55
Hay Harvested - First Cutting	83	69	98	81
Winter Wheat Headed	100	99	100	98
Winter Wheat Harvested	32	11	75	38

N/A =Not Available

CROP/LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Exc.
	Percent				
Corn	0	2	25	68	5
Cotton	0	2	34	63	1
Peanuts	0	1	24	75	0
Soybeans	0	1	24	74	1
Winter Wheat	0	1	20	68	11
Livestock	0	0	12	71	17
Pasture & Range	0	3	18	60	19

TOP SOIL MOISTURE

	Days Suitable	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		Percent			
District 10	4.3	0	6	83	11
District 20	3.8	4	4	87	5
District 30	4.6	0	8	60	32
District 40	5.9	0	34	59	7
District 50	5.4	0	40	48	12
District 60	5.0	6	48	46	0
State: Current Week	4.8	2	21	68	9
State: Previous	6.6	7	27	62	4

EXTENSION/FSA COMMENTS:

General: The week's average mean temperatures ranged from 71.9 F in Crossville, to 79.3 F in Montgomery; total precipitation ranged

from 0.16 inches in Huntsville, to 6.79 inches in Robertsedale. Donald Mann, FSA CED, reported crops in Jackson County were looking better due to recent rainfall. Jack Tatum, ACES REA, reported rain amounts varied from one half inch to three inches throughout Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Lee, Randolph, Shelby, Talladega and Tallapoosa Counties. Greg Key, FSA CED, stated rainfall amounts have been above normal for the past several weeks in Etowah and St. Clair County. Vegetable growers were having a difficult time getting their crops planted, confirmed Key. Carol Gay, FSA CED, said Clay and Randolph County continued to receive small showers. Don Moore, Director of AL Experiment Station, confirmed Autauga County received 2.5 inches of rain Wednesday night. Perry Woodruff, FSA CED, stated rains received in Dallas and Lowndes County were helpful. Karen McDonald, FSA CED, reported Monroe County recently received its first rains since the first week in May. Carolyn Bradley, FSA PT, stated scattered showers in Conecuh County helped crops that were suffering from dry conditions. Jeffrey Smith, FSA CED, said most areas within Coosa, Elmore and Tallapoosa Counties experienced significant rainfall. James Jones, Jr., ACES CEC, confirmed wheat and small grains harvest in Henry County were progressing well after receiving rainfall. Charles Simon, ACES CEC, reported Covington County was getting sufficient rains. Brenda Glover, ACES REA, stated Greene, Hale, Marengo, Perry and Sumter Counties were getting plenty of rains. Willie Durr, ACES CEC, reported scattered showers from tropical storm Andrea provided adequate moisture for crops, pastures and livestock in eastern Houston County. Durr said the western side of the county was still suffering from dry conditions.

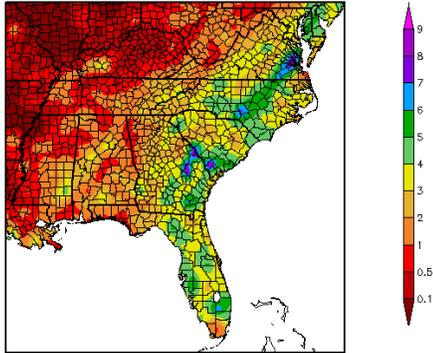
Corn/Cotton/Peanut/Soybeans: Thomas Atkinson, FSA CED, confirmed wheat harvest in Madison County was expected to begin Monday if the weather permits. Tim Malone, FSA CED, reported all soybeans in Marion and Winston County have been planted except for double crop. Cotton was off to a slow start, said Malone. Mann confirmed producers still had many soybeans to plant especially wheat beans, and wheat harvest this week will be dependent upon the weather. Cathy Blackburn, FSA CED, stated corn was twisting, and Chambers and Lee County were in need of rain. Moore said recent rains may have saved the corn crop. Key stated the corn crop was in good condition, and cotton and soybeans were struggling from too much water. McDonald said all crops, especially corn, was in dire need of rainfall. Smith reported wheat harvest was slowed by recent rains, and crops planted behind wheat will be much later this year compared to 2012. Durr stated peanut planting was halted due to the lack of moisture. Dry land corn was in poor condition, while irrigated corn was in good condition, said Durr.

Pasture/Hay/Livestock: Malone stated hay cuttings were hindered again this week. Henry Dorough, ACES REA, confirmed more rainfall during the week aided forage growth but dampened some efforts to bale hay throughout Blount, Calhoun, Jefferson, Marshall and St. Clair Counties. Key reported hay harvest has been difficult because approximately 50 percent has been rained on before baling. Pastures were in very good shape, said Key. Durr stated more hay was harvested this week, and winter wheat was harvested in good condition.

Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/>

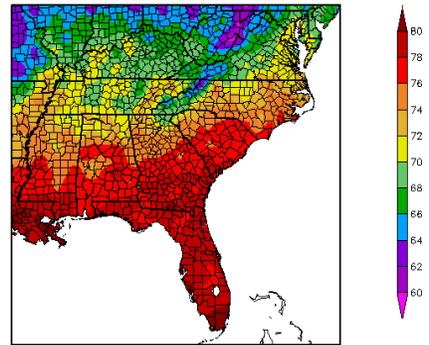
Precipitation (in)
6/3/2013 - 6/9/2013



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Temperature (F)
6/3/2013 - 6/9/2013



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U.S. Drought Monitor, June 4, 2013

National Weather Service

<http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm>

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	68.64	31.36	4.74	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week (05/28/2013 map)	86.96	13.04	3.18	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (03/05/2013 map)	90.06	9.94	0.89	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year (01/01/2013 map)	40.07	59.93	33.67	19.47	9.81	0.00
Start of Water Year (09/25/2012 map)	71.58	28.42	19.42	15.36	8.69	0.00
One Year Ago (05/29/2012 map)	12.03	87.97	50.00	27.98	20.67	2.85

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Drought - Moderate
- D2 Drought - Severe
- D3 Drought - Extreme
- D4 Drought - Exceptional

