



# CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

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## Warm Weather Enhanced Crop Progress

Data tables reflect the week ending: **June 23, 2013**

### CROP PROGRESS

Crop	This Week	Last Week	2012	5-Yr Avg.
	Percent			
Corn Silked	55	14	76	61
Corn Dough	17	N/A	38	14
Cotton Squaring	63	16	60	33
Cotton Setting Bolls	1	N/A	2	1
Peanuts Planted	93	92	100	94
Peanuts Pegged	30	2	39	13
Soybeans Planted	92	62	96	88
Soybeans Emerged	78	52	86	74
Soybeans Blooming	7	N/A	13	8
Hay Harvested - First Cutting	95	91	100	93
Winter Wheat Harvested	95	35	97	72

N/A =Not Available

### CROP/LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Exc.
	Percent				
Corn	6	7	22	53	12
Cotton	0	5	25	62	8
Peanuts	0	1	20	79	0
Soybeans	0	8	24	67	1
Winter Wheat	0	2	24	62	11
Livestock	0	4	18	65	13
Pasture & Range	3	7	29	53	8

### TOP SOIL MOISTURE

	Days Suitable	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		Percent			
District 10	5.4	10	26	64	0
District 20	5.4	1	33	66	0
District 30	5.2	0	20	80	0
District 40	5.3	0	18	82	0
District 50	4.7	10	22	61	7
District 60	4.5	8	18	71	3
State: Current Week	5.1	5	24	70	1
State: Previous	5.3	2	13	80	5

### EXTENSION/FSA COMMENTS:

**General:** The week's average mean temperatures ranged from 76.5 F in Haleyville, to 81.1 F in Mobile; total precipitation ranged from 0.24 inches in Gainesville, to 2.39 inches in Geneva. Despite spotty rains, fields were dry enough to make lots of progress with small grain harvest. Jeffrey Smith, FSA CED, said mostly dry conditions for the week promoted the harvest of winter wheat and planting of subsequent crops in Elmore, Tallapoosa and Coosa Counties. Brenda Glover, ACES REA, stated more rain would be useful as it is beginning to get dry throughout Greene, Hale, Marengo, Perry and Sumter Counties.

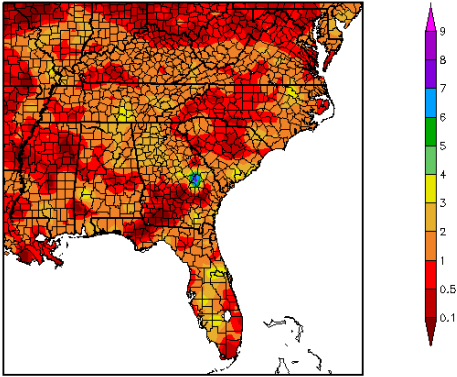
**Corn/Cotton/Peanut/Soybeans:** Marie Headley, FSA CED, stated producers are completing their soybean planting. Crops are looking good. Rainfall has been spotty for the past week but it rained on most of Perry County. A few areas were getting dry with the warm days. Thomas Atkinson, FSA CED, reported the heat this week dealt some stress, especially to the corn crop in Madison County. Other than wheat, all other crops including pastures could use a little rainfall, said Atkinson. Per Tim Malone, FSA CED, crops are looking good in Marion and Winston Counties at this time. Most of the first cutting of hay has been put up. Malone also stated that Corn is starting to tassel, some of the early beans are blooming and cotton has really taken off this past week. Don Moore, Director of AL Experiment Station, reported recent rains have perked up the corn, cotton, and soybeans. With the recent rains comes the weeds, but that's a good problem to have. Smith reported Wheat yields have been reported as good. Crop conditions are good for Monroe County considering the fact that producers are having to battle some dry areas in the county as well as a large increase of wildlife infestation on young cotton, peanuts and soybeans, said McDonald. Several hundred acres have had to be replanted due to this infestation. The county has received several spotty rains this past week that has been positive for all crops planted.

**Pasture/Hay/Livestock:** The first cutting of hay came close to being finished. Henry Dorough, ACES REA, said rainfall and warm temperatures added up to ideal forage growing conditions, especially for recently mowed and fertilized hayfields in Blount, Calhoun, Jefferson, Marshall and St. Clair Counties. Malone reported that some row crop farmers that also have livestock have been so busy finishing up planting and spraying that they have not cut their first hay.

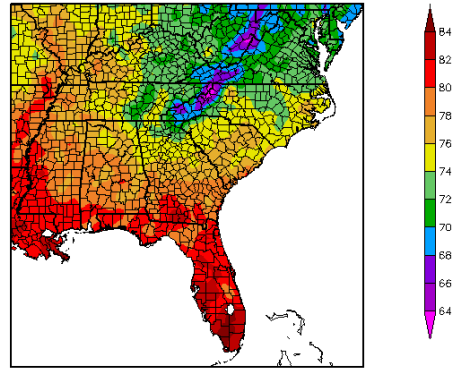
# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

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

Precipitation (in)  
6/17/2013 - 6/23/2013



Temperature (F)  
6/17/2013 - 6/23/2013



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## U.S. Drought Monitor, June 18, 2013

National Weather Service

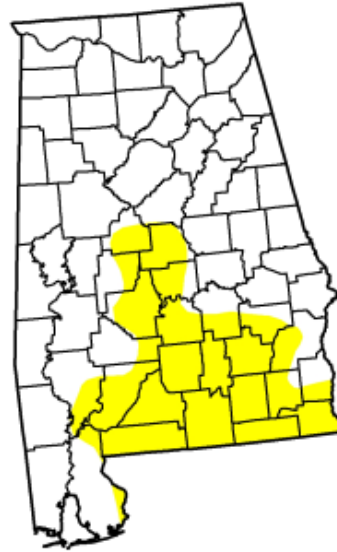
<http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm>

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	73.53	26.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week (06/11/2013 map)	73.53	26.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (03/19/2013 map)	89.70	10.30	0.00	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 (06/12/2012 map)	43.86	56.14	26.43	17.55	13.65	1.06

**Intensity:**

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



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