



# CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

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## Sunshine Spurs Wheat Harvest and Other Fieldwork

Data tables reflect the week ending: **June 22, 2014**

### CROP PROGRESS

Crop	This Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5-Yr Avg.
	(percent)			
Corn Silking	53	26	49	56
Corn Dough	7	na	15	14
Cotton Planted	98	92	100	98
Cotton Squaring	26	15	56	37
Cotton Setting Bolls	0	na	1	1
Peanuts Planted	93	86	93	92
Peanuts Pegging	21	19	26	15
Soybeans Planted	82	71	88	88
Soybeans Emerged	68	59	74	73
Soybeans Blooming	24	17	6	7
Winter Wheat Harvested	63	35	86	80
Hay Harvested – First Cutting	92	87	94	93
N/A =Not Available				

### CROP/LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Crop	Very Poor Poor Fair Good Exc.				
	Percent				
Corn	0	1	18	61	20
Cotton	0	2	32	57	9
Peanuts	0	0	31	63	6
Soybean	0	0	18	68	14
Winter Wheat	1	1	23	62	13
Livestock	1	2	23	60	14
Pasture & Range	1	2	24	58	15

### SOIL MOISTURE

Topsoil	This Week	Previous Week	5-Year Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very Short	1	0	12
Short	13	9	27
Adequate	72	65	59
Surplus	14	26	2

Subsoil	This Week	Previous Week	5-Year Average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very Short	1	0	N/A
Short	11	6	N/A
Adequate	75	72	N/A
Surplus	13	22	N/A

### GENERAL:

According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Alabama Field Office, there were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 22, 2014. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.00 inches of rain over much of northeast Alabama to 1.88 inches in Mobile. Average mean temperatures ranged from 79.3°F in Haleyville to 83.4°F in Montgomery.

**EXTENSION/FSA COMMENTS:** The weather was cooperative this week allowing for a great deal of wheat to be harvested. The majority of wheat harvested is very good. - **Eric Schavey, ACES REA, Franklin County.**

All indications point to a good wheat harvest. - **Thomas Atkinson, FSA CED, Madison and Morgan Counties.**

Dry weather last week allowed producers to make great progress on the wheat harvest. Reported yields have been between 40 to 50 bushels per acre. The first cutting of hay is almost complete. The cotton crop really jumped this week. - **Tim Malone, FSA CED, Marion, Winston Counties.**

A full week of high temperatures, sunshine, and no rain allowed producers to complete first haying operations and additional chores. - **Henry Dorough, ACES REA, Etowah, Marshall, St. Clair Counties.**

Only scattered showers were received. We will need some rain next week if temperatures continue to climb. - **Jack Tatum, ACES REA, Chambers, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Lee, Randolph, Shelby, Talladega, Tallapoosa Counties.**

Wheat harvest is progressing well and most yields are good to excellent. Corn is starting to show signs of stress from lack of moisture. - **Donald Mann, FSA CED, Jackson County.**

Conditions were hot and dry last week. Crops are needing rain. - **Marie Headley FSA CED, Bibb, Perry Counties.**

We had a break from the scattered showers last week which allowed a lot of wheat to be harvested. - **Carol Gay, FSA CED, Clay & Randolph Counties.**

For most of the week dry conditions permitted wheat harvest to progress. - **Jeffery Smith FSA CED, Coosa, Elmore, Tallapoosa Counties.**

Finally, a week without any rain allowed wheat to be harvested. - **Don Moore, Director of AL Experiment Station, Autauga County.**

Showers have been spotty with some areas receiving over an inch of rain. - **Brenda Glover, ACES REA, Greene, Hale, Marengo, Perry, and Sumter Counties.**

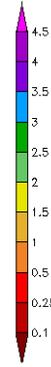
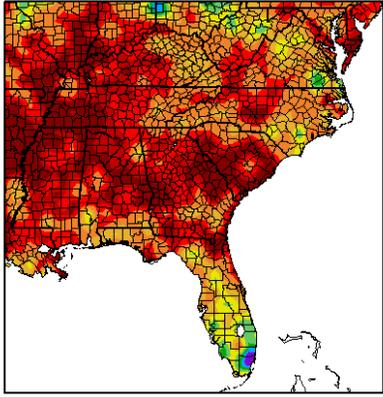
Monroe County received another 1 1/2 inch rain last. A good percentage of our county is still too wet for equipment to enter the fields. Cotton and peanuts that were planted look good. Corn looks good and wheat is being harvested on fields that are dry enough. - **Karen McDonald-Minor, FSA CED, Monroe County.**

We are still getting lots of rain. Some producers have replanted flooded areas. Others have had to let it stand that way. - **Karin Knowles, FSA CED, Covington County.**

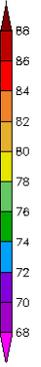
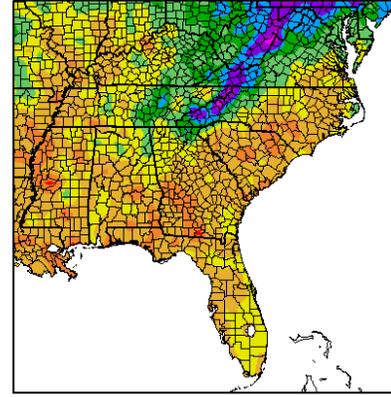
# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

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

Precipitation (in)  
6/16/2014 - 6/22/2014



Temperature (F)  
6/16/2014 - 6/22/2014



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## U.S. Drought Monitor – June 10, 2014

### National Weather Service

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

Drought Condition (Percent Area):

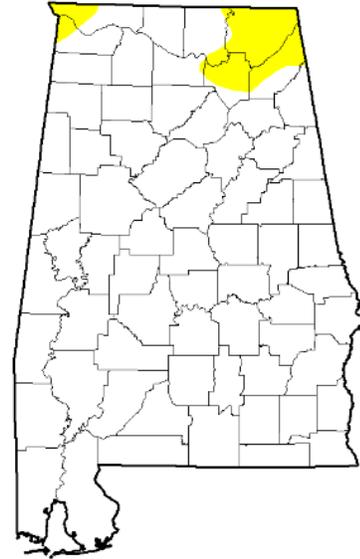
Week	Date	Nothing	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	6/17/2014	95.02	4.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week	6/10/2014	95.02	4.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago	3/18/2014	81.52	18.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year	12/31/2013	97.35	2.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year	10/1/2013	96.85	3.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago	6/18/2013	73.53	26.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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#### Intensity:

- 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. See accompanying [text summary](#) for forecast statements.



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