



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
**Alabama Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Alabama, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 12, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.24 inches of rain up to 2.66 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the high 70s.

County Comments

A few showers brought much-needed rainfall to some locations, while others missed it. Row crops still looking good but could use a good rain event. Peach harvest winding down. Local farmer's markets have a good volume of produce.

Dan Porch, Blount County

Corn harvest started this week. Cotton reports of the first bolls opening. Rain continued.

Allie Corcoran, Barbour County

Isolated showers dotted the Wiregrass for much of the week keeping row crop farmers optimistic about this year's crop. Foliage feeders are on the rise in both peanuts and cotton. Fieldwork continued with only minimal interruption. Hay harvest continues with some delays.

Willie Durr, Houston County

Corn harvest began this week and good yields have been reported. Hay harvest was less impacted by rain this week as storms were more widespread in the county.

Henry Dorough, Talladega County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/12/18

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	78	71	84	54
Corn - Harvested	2	NA	6	5
Cotton - Squaring.....	96	91	97	98
Cotton - Setting Bolls	89	77	88	87
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	10	1	1	3
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	96	93	89	NA
Peanuts - Pegging.....	97	92	92	92
Soybeans - Blooming.....	92	86	92	86
Soybeans - Setting Pods .	73	65	66	65

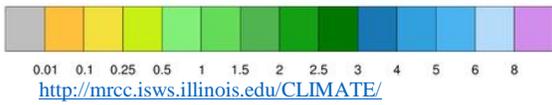
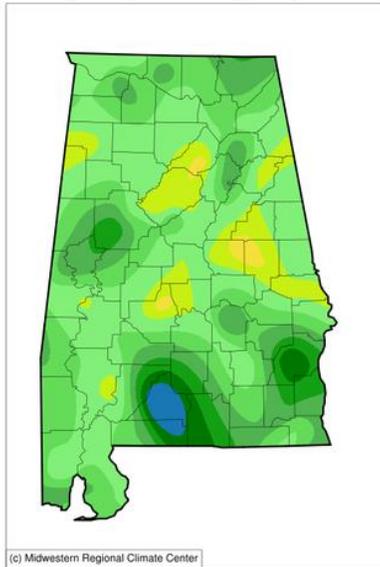
Conditions for Week Ending 08/12/18

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	2	15	78	5
Corn.....	0	0	11	60	29
Cotton.....	1	1	18	62	18
Pasture and range	0	0	14	72	14
Peanuts.....	1	3	25	64	7
Soybeans.....	0	0	15	75	10

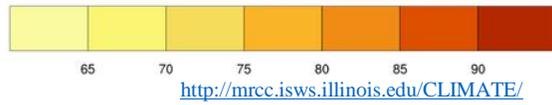
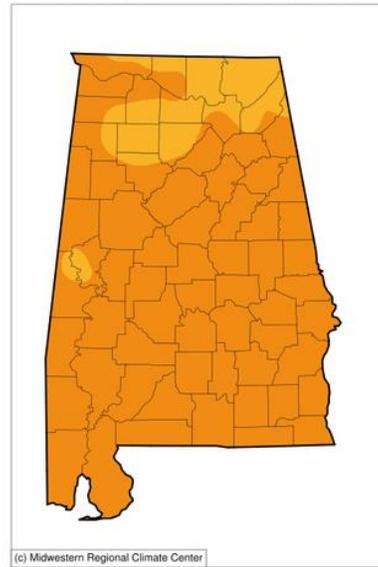
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/12/18

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	1	3	NA
Short.....	22	19	NA
Adequate.....	74	72	NA
Surplus.....	3	6	NA
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	1	2	NA
Short.....	15	16	NA
Adequate.....	80	76	NA
Surplus.....	4	6	NA

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 06, 2018 to August 12, 2018

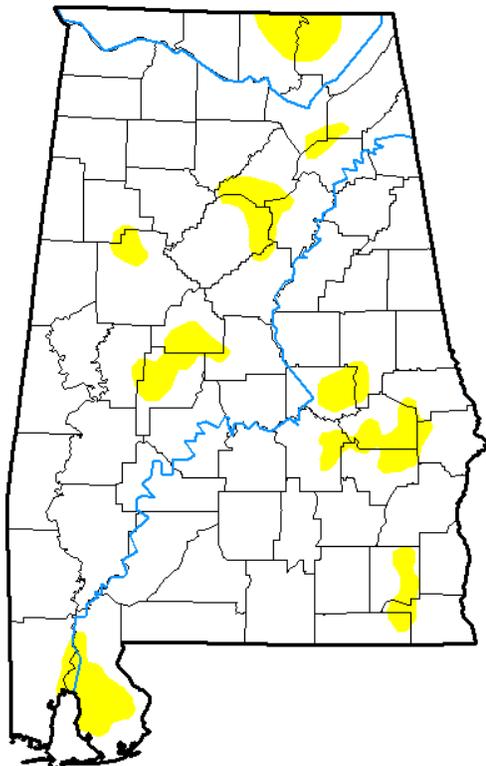


Average Temperature (°F)
August 06, 2018 to August 12, 2018



U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

August 7, 2018
(Released Thursday, Aug. 9, 2018)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	91.13	8.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 07-31-2018	77.27	22.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 05-08-2018	67.91	32.09	2.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2018	19.01	80.99	26.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 08-08-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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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