



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 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 7, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.86 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

County Comments

Most peanuts were dug this week; cotton is being harvested and looks good. Soybeans are being harvested. Corn harvest is almost complete, and many are cutting hay for the last time. Beds were prepared for strawberry plantings. Dry conditions all week.

Gina Harris, Blount County

A dry week with much activity in the field. Cotton harvest rolling, soybean harvest picking, and peanuts dug.

Jeffrey Smith, Elmore County

Peanut and cotton harvest was in full swing in the Wiregrass. The looming storm moving this way is not a welcome sight in the middle of harvest season.

Willie Durr, Houston County

Peanut harvest was back underway after a rain break. Yield continued to be good. Cotton harvest began this week across the county. Some small grains for forage were being planted.

James Jones Jr, Henry County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/07/18

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested	94	91	97	90
Cotton - Bolls Opening....	88	83	81	83
Cotton - Harvested.....	19	5	20	19
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	89	85	79	NA
Peanuts - Dug.....	46	28	60	NA
Peanuts - Harvested	28	18	43	36
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves.....	90	81	84	81
Soybeans - Harvested	24	18	32	30
Winter wheat - Planted....	6	0	5	6

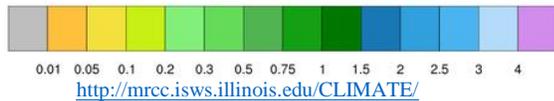
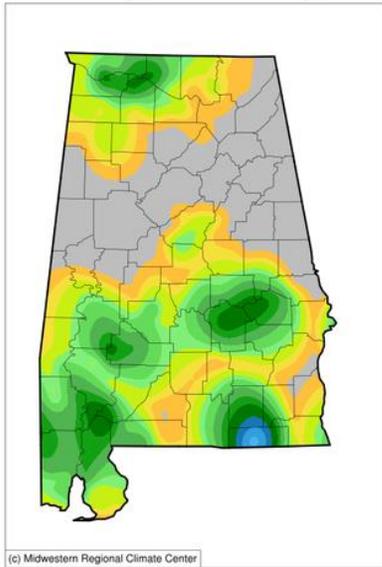
Conditions for Week Ending 10/07/18

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	2	14	78	6
Cotton.....	0	2	18	58	22
Pasture and range	2	4	14	68	12
Peanuts	0	5	21	55	19
Soybeans	0	4	26	65	5

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/07/18

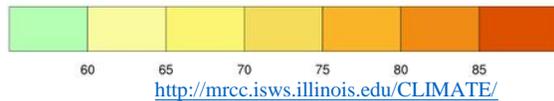
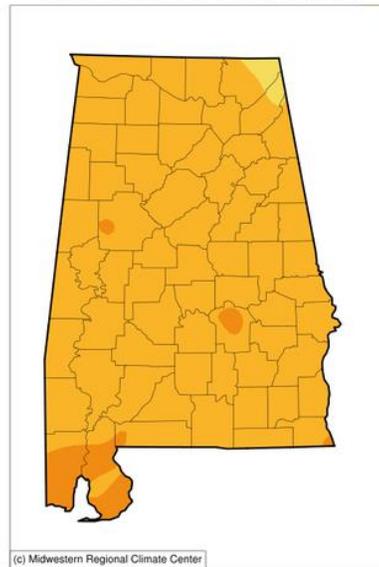
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short	1	0	NA
Short.....	11	5	NA
Adequate	83	70	NA
Surplus	5	25	NA
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short	1	0	NA
Short.....	10	9	NA
Adequate	84	79	NA
Surplus	5	12	NA

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 01, 2018 to October 07, 2018



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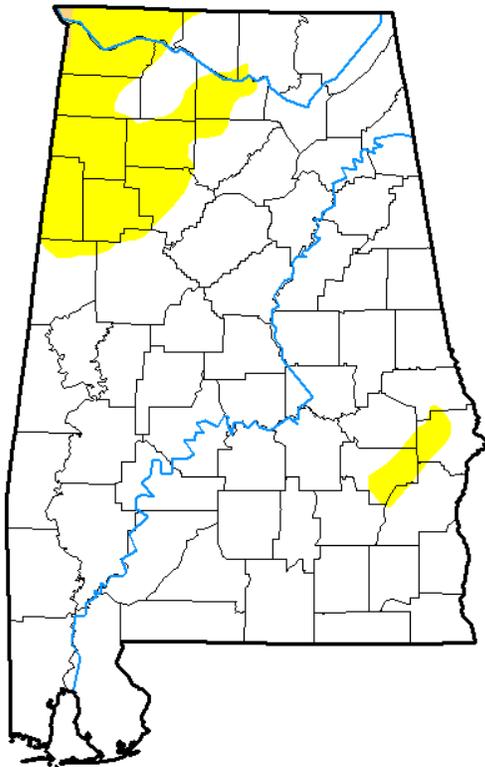
Average Temperature (°F)
October 01, 2018 to October 07, 2018



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U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama

October 2, 2018
(Released Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	87.47	12.53	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 09-25-2018	62.25	37.75	7.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-03-2018	96.31	3.69	0.00	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 09-25-2018	62.25	37.75	7.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 10-03-2017	94.10	5.90	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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