



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 4.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 04, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.33 inches of rain up to 1.58 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the low 60s.

County Comments

Weather conditions were favorable for harvest most days this week. Peanut harvest near completion. Producers were progressing rapidly with cotton harvest. Soybean harvest continued. Most hay had been cut and baled, but a few rolls were still in the fields. Warmer than average temperatures contributed to a little longer growing season.

Gina Harris, Blount County

Spotty showers this week hampered harvest of cotton and soybeans. Many cattle farmers were trying to get the last cutting of hay for the year. Some areas had already received a light frost but not a killing frost.

Belinda Woods, Cullman County

Cotton harvest was moving along. Soybean harvest continued. Pasture condition was poor. As warm season pastures approached dormancy, cool season pastures have been slow to produce due to limited rainfall and a late armyworm outbreak.

Henry Dorough, Talladega County

The rainy weather slowed soybean and cotton harvest.

Tim Malone, Marion County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/04/18

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	98	95	94	96
Cotton - Harvested.....	66	50	56	61
Peanuts - Dug.....	92	87	92	NA
Peanuts - Harvested.....	78	74	74	83
Soybeans - Harvested.....	69	61	79	72
Winter wheat - Planted.....	25	19	40	33
Winter wheat - Emerged..	9	2	11	14

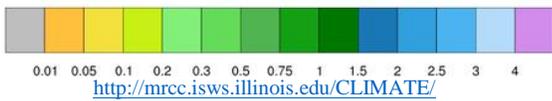
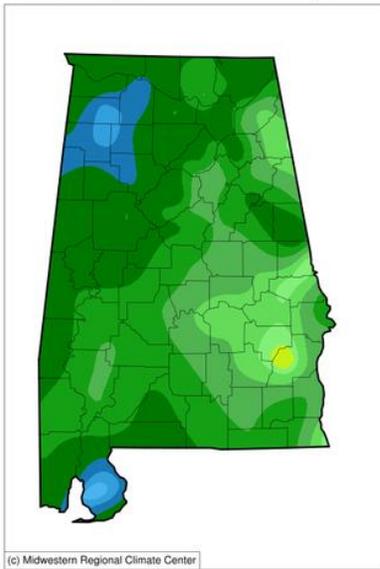
Conditions for Week Ending 11/04/18

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	2	18	75	5
Cotton.....	6	11	14	55	14
Pasture and range.....	1	2	26	61	10

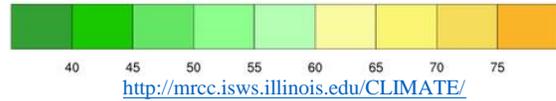
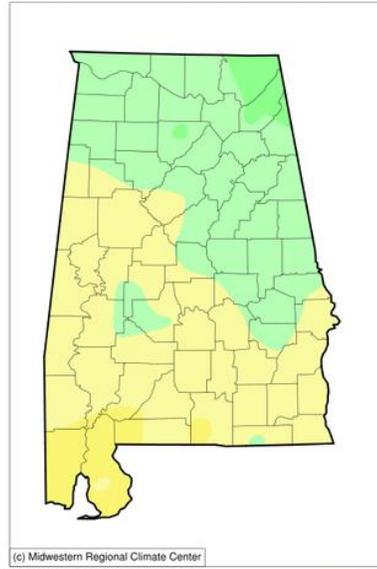
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/04/18

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	0	4	NA
Short.....	4	6	NA
Adequate.....	86	85	NA
Surplus.....	10	5	NA
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	1	4	NA
Short.....	5	6	NA
Adequate.....	89	84	NA
Surplus.....	5	6	NA

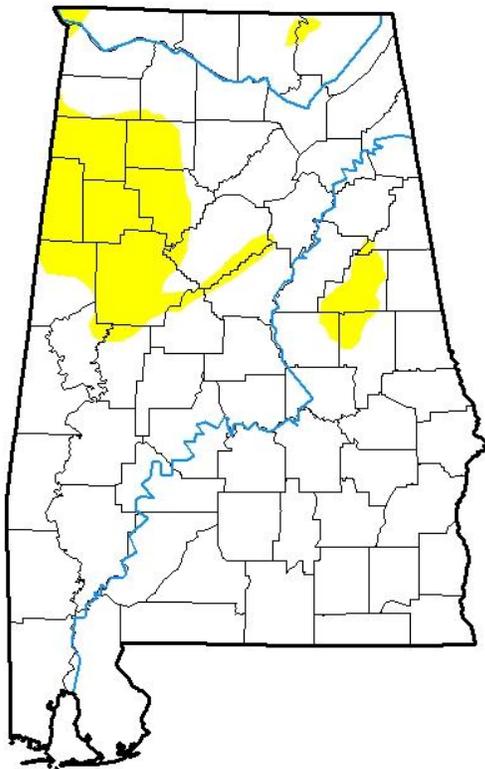
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 29, 2018 to November 04, 2018



Average Temperature (°F)
October 29, 2018 to November 04, 2018



U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



October 30, 2018
(Released Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	87.63	12.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-23-2018	78.48	21.52	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-31-2018	77.27	22.73	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 10-31-2017	86.42	13.58	0.43	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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