

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 2.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 11, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 1.28 inches of rain up to 2.43 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the high 50s.

County Comments

Cotton and soybean harvest came to a standstill this week. Rain and wet field conditions prevented any progress with the harvest.

Jeffrey Smith, Elmore County

Wet weather continued to contribute to losses in peanuts and cotton in the Wiregrass. Rainfall has been in such abundance in Houston County that it is causing extended delays in harvesting peanuts and cotton. Yields and quality continue to suffer in this unusual wet period.

Willie Durr, Houston County

Rain put a damper on fieldwork but allowed cotton producers extra time to transport cotton bales to the gin. Cattle farmers have been feeding hay and supplement for several weeks as they wait for cool season forages to grow.

Henry Dorough, Talladega County

Monroe County has been wet this week. Not a lot of huge rains but enough to keep producers out of the field. It has not been a good season for our cotton producers. Harvesting has been a challenge due to rainfall, fog, and no sunshine.

Karen McDonald, Monroe County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/11/18

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening	100	98	98	98
Cotton - Harvested	70	66	64	71
Peanuts - Dug	95	92	96	NA
Peanuts - Harvested	82	78	87	89
Soybeans - Harvested	73	69	82	80
Winter wheat - Planted	32	25	51	47
Winter wheat - Emerged	11	9	27	24

Conditions for Week Ending 11/11/18

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle Pasture and range	0 1	2 2	22 27	72 62	4 8

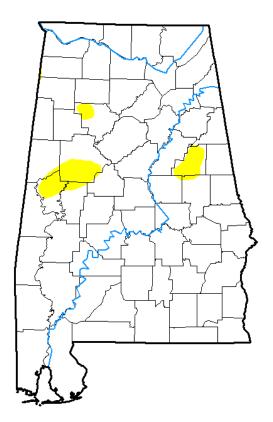
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/11/18

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Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	0 2 64 34	0 4 86 10	NA NA NA NA		
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	0 2 69 29	1 5 89 5	NA NA NA NA		

November 05, 2018 to November 11, 2018 (c) Midwestern Regional Climate Center 0.01 0.05 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.5 0.75 1 1.5 2 2.5 3 4 http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/

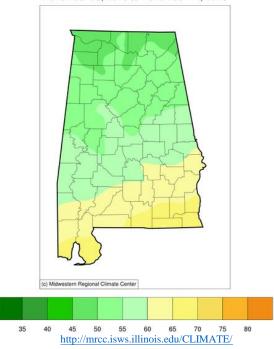
Accumulated Precipitation (in)

U.S. Drought Monitor Alabama



Average Temperature (°F)

November 05, 2018 to November 11, 2018



November 6, 2018

(Released Thursday, Nov. 8, 2018) Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	96.47	3.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-30-2018	87.63	12.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 08-07-2018	91.13	8.87	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 11-07-2017	86.92	13.08	0.32	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

D0 Abnormally Dry
D1 Moderate Drought
D2 Severe Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/