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**South Carolina Crop Progress  
and Condition Report**



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**GENERAL**

According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service South Carolina Field Office, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 29th, 2014. The State average rainfall for the seven-day period was 0.9 inches. The State average temperature for the week was two degrees above the long-term average. Soil moisture ratings for topsoil were reported at 12% very short, 49% short, 35% adequate, and 4% surplus. Soil moisture ratings for subsoil were reported at 6% very short, 45% short, 46% adequate, and 3% surplus.

**COUNTY AGENTS COMMENTS**

“Overall conditions are very dry and have seen some corn that appears will be a loss. A number of cattle producers are already feeding hay, which will cause the hay supply to be short.”

**Chris Talley, Anderson County, District 10**

“A million dollar rain fell over the county last Tuesday saving any prospects for a decent corn crop and boosting hopes of a much better tobacco crop. Farmers reported as much as 4.0 inches for the week as tropical moisture dumped much needed rain over most of the crop producing areas. Crop conditions responded immediately as corn recovered from its stressful look. The tobacco crop needed the rain to fill out and it too made noticeable strides in that process. Corn and soybeans look good as well.”

**Kyle Daniel, Georgetown County, District 30**

“Spotty showers last week slowed some field operations.”

**Charles Davis, Calhoun County, District 50**

“Some cotton and corn have wilted in areas that have not had rain events. Hot temperatures have also stressed vegetable crops.”

**Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County, District 50**

“Another week of scorching temperatures and little to no rain has caused crop progress and condition to slip more. Leaves of dry land corn remain curled most of the day. Peanut growers are continuing their routine fungicide sprays. Watermelon, cantaloupe and tomato harvest is continuing. No serious crop insect or disease problems reported this week. Cotton, peanut and soybean growers still reporting large areas of fields heavily browsed by deer. A good soaking rain is desperately needed all across the county.”

**Hugh Gray, Hampton County, District 80**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending June 29, 2014**

Crop and Stage	2014	2013	5-Yr Avg	Crop and Stage	2014	2013	5-Yr Avg
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cantaloup, Harvested	40	24	40	Rye, Harvested	98	72	88
Corn, Silked	91	80	90	Snapbeans, Fresh, Planted	100	100	100
Corn, Doughed	52	25	33	Snapbeans, Fresh, Harvested	25	62	69
Cotton, Planted	100	97	99	Soybeans, Planted	92	89	95
Cotton, Squared	57	16	33	Soybeans, Emerged	86	59	80
Cucumbers, Fresh, Harvested	66	54	79	Tobacco, Topped	58	40	58
Oats, Harvested	93	91	97	Tomatoes, Fresh, Harvested	25	57	64
Peaches, Harvested	34	37	39	Watermelons, Harvested	32	20	36
Peanuts, Pegged	64	18	28	Winter Wheat, Harvested	97	73	91
Rye, Ripe	100	100	100				

**Condition for Week Ending June 29, 2014**

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cantaloup	0	3	51	46	0	Peanuts	0	1	23	67	9
Corn	1	4	23	65	7	Snapbeans	0	0	20	75	5
Cotton	0	3	30	62	5	Soybeans	0	3	32	61	4
Hay	0	8	53	38	1	Tobacco	0	2	32	60	6
Livestock	0	4	33	58	5	Tomatoes	0	0	24	70	6
Pasture	1	25	34	39	1	Watermelons	0	3	27	70	0
Peaches	6	9	43	40	2						

## South Carolina Weekly Weather Summary for the Week Ending June 29, 2014

Localized downpours were common throughout the week but the blanket coverage of rain needed for the state's drying topsoils did not happen. Widely scattered thundershowers on Monday produced amounts of 2.95 inches at Hardeeville, 1.74 inches at Walterboro and 1.60 inches at McBee. A CoCoRaHS volunteer near Dacusville in Pickens County measured a 24-hour total of 3.21 inches. Storms on Tuesday brought heavy rains of 1.90 inches to Hartsville and 1.68 inches to Marion. Sullivan's Island warmed to 90 degrees while Caesars Head just made it to 70 degrees. Hot weather returned on Wednesday with both Columbia Metro AP and Charleston AP reaching 95 degrees. Drying west winds reduced the usual afternoon convective thundershowers to only a few locations. Short duration rains of 0.45 inches fell at Dillon and Union received 0.42 inches. Sunny weather on Thursday sent the mercury to 97 degrees at Kingstree and Jamestown. Moist conditions on Friday led to drenching rains across the Piedmont and into the Pee Dee. Kings Mountain State Park reported a 24-hour total of 2.50 inches. McColl measured 3.10 inches and Gallivants Ferry received 2.15 inches. Roadway flooding was observed in Darlington and Marlboro counties. An area of low pressure, located well offshore, forced bands of showers along the coastal plain and added to the Friday and Saturday amounts. The Saturday 1.12 inches of rain falling at Crabtree Swamp near Conway was part of a two-day total of 4.81 inches. Clouds and steady east-northeast winds kept the Sunday Folly Beach maximum temperature to just 81 degrees. The state average temperature for the seven-day period was two degrees above the long-term average.

The highest official temperature reported was 100 degrees at the USC Campus in Columbia on June 26. The lowest official temperature reported was 61 degrees at Hunts Bridge and Little Mountain on June 25. The heaviest official 24-hour rainfall reported was 3.69 inches at Crabtree Swamp ending at 7:00 a.m. on June 28. The state average rainfall for the seven-day period was 0.9 inches.

SOIL: 4-inch depth soil temperature: Columbia 84 degrees, Charleston 83 degrees.

RIVERS AND SURF: South Carolina river stages were near to below normal. Charleston Harbor reported a water temperature of 84 degrees and Springmaid Pier at Myrtle Beach reported a surf water temperature of 84 degrees.

### Precipitation

Location	Weekly Total	Jan 1 Total	Departure from Avg
Anderson AP	0.11	18.26	-3.6
Greer AP	1.56	22.60	-0.5
Charlotte, NC AP	0.66	25.64	5.1
Columbia Metro AP	0.23	20.07	-1.0
Orangeburg AP	0.13	24.21	1.6
Augusta, GA Bush AP	0.41	21.13	-1.0
Florence AP	0.60	18.34	-1.5
N Myrtle Beach AP	1.78	15.61	-6.3
Charleston AP	1.77	20.84	-0.9
Savannah, GA AP	7.54	27.43	5.4

Weekly rainfall totals this period ending midnight Sunday.

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