



**United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service**

# South Carolina Crop Progress and Condition Report



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## General

According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service’s South Carolina Field Office, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 14, 2015. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.01 inches of rain up to 2.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the low 70s.

## County Extension Comments

“High temperatures and limited rainfall have done major damage to the dryland corn crop. Cotton and peanuts are still relatively small and water needs are less. They seem to be faring ok so far, but another week of 100 degrees and no rain will begin to stunt growth.”

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

“High temperatures were encountered Friday – Sunday with some areas recording 100°F on Sunday.”

**Powell Smith, Lexington County, District 50**

“Hot, dry conditions have stressed early, dryland corn and yields have been negatively affected. Cotton is holding its own on dryland, but not growing. Irrigation systems are being used to keep crop progressing on irrigated land. Irrigated vegetables are progressing, but the high heat that we had the last of the week has stressed them also.”

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

“A couple of general rains this week relieved dryness in most areas and improved condition of most crops. Harvest of cucurbits, peaches, and tomatoes is continuing. No crop insect or disease problems reported. With scorching temperatures forecasted for the coming week, will need additional rain to maintain current crop condition and growth rate.”

**Hugh Gray, Allendale County, District 80**

## Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/14/15

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Silking .....	61	11	38	53
Cotton - Planted .....	92	85	99	96
Cotton - Squaring .....	11	2	14	8
Hay - 1st Cutting .....	71	68	NA	NA
Oats - Harvested .....	60	50	59	68
Peaches - Harvested .....	40	30	17	24
Peanuts - Planted .....	94	91	100	98
Peanuts - Pegging .....	4	NA	22	6
Rye - Headed .....	100	95	100	100
Rye - Harvested .....	35	29	57	52
Soybeans - Planted .....	56	53	77	78
Soybeans - Emerged .....	46	42	63	60
Winter Wheat - Harvested	42	27	52	56

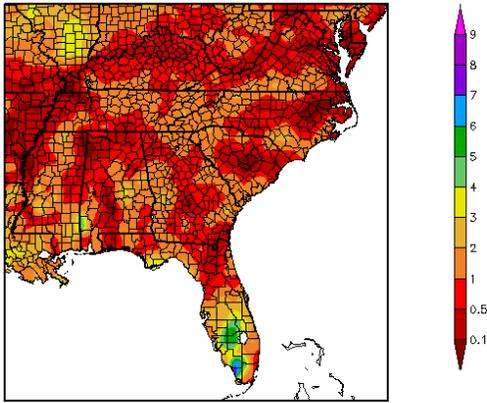
## Crop Condition for Week Ending 06/14/15

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle .....	0	1	8	89	2
Cotton .....	0	2	62	35	1
Corn .....	2	3	35	56	4
Hay .....	1	2	24	72	1
Pasture and range .....	2	7	40	48	3
Peaches .....	0	1	7	91	1
Peanuts .....	0	0	41	59	0
Rye .....	0	0	52	47	1
Tobacco .....	0	0	27	72	1
Winter Wheat .....	1	2	51	43	3

## Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/14/15

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short .....	5	7	10
Short .....	17	11	29
Adequate .....	62	65	53
Surplus .....	16	17	8
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short .....	2	2	NA
Short .....	19	17	NA
Adequate .....	56	58	NA
Surplus .....	23	23	NA

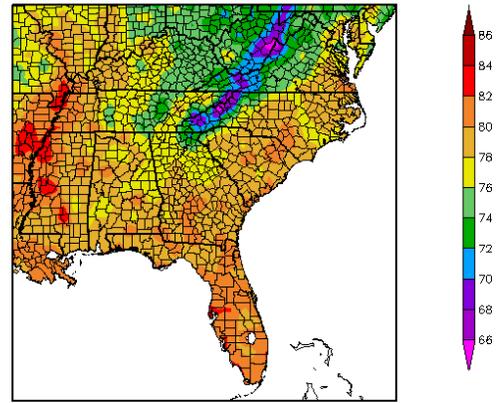
Precipitation (in)  
6/8/2015 - 6/14/2015



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Temperature (F)  
6/8/2015 - 6/14/2015



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Regional Climate Centers

For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary: [http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli\\_reports\\_2015.php](http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2015.php)

## U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

**June 9, 2015**

(Released Thursday, Jun. 11, 2015)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	59.28	40.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 6/2/2015	28.88	71.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 3/10/2015	99.37	0.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12/31/2014	96.63	3.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 9/30/2014	47.90	52.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 6/10/2014	98.81	1.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

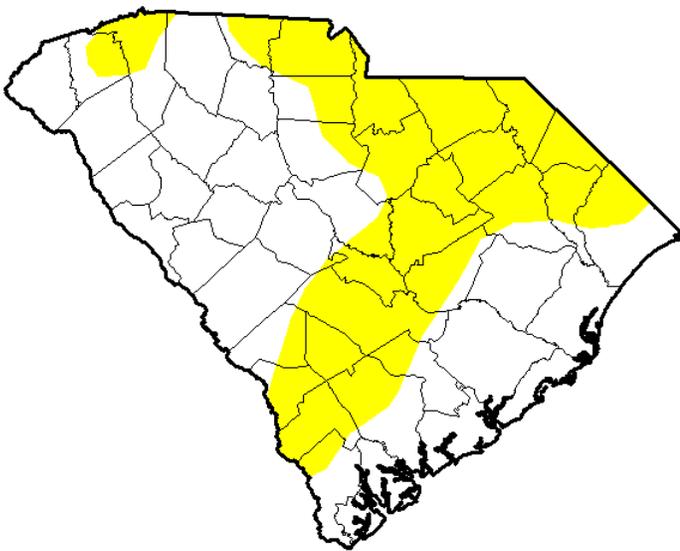
Intensity:

- 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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