



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 Agricultural Statistics Service in South Carolina, there were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 11, 2017. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.1 inches of rain to 6.7 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the high 60s.

**County Comments**

Cooler-than-normal temperatures should have a positive effect on small grains. Rains have improved pasture and cattle condition. Crop plantings are continuing normally at this point.

**Morris Warner, Oconee County**

The peach crop on the ridge is estimated to be 10 to 20 percent of normal quantity. In addition, the quality is below normal. Quantity and quality estimates have been trending downward as the season progresses.

**Keith Ritter, Edgefield County**

Wheat yields have been better than expected. Tobacco is still being hit hard with tomato spotted wilt virus. We are starting to see some soil-borne disease symptoms show up in organic and PRC tobacco.

**William Hardee, Horry County**

Sweet corn harvest is ongoing, and farmers have high quality at this time. Tomatoes are progressing, but yields may be down for the first picking, as the first fruit set was not good. Bell peppers seem to have the same problem. Squash harvest is good. Some of the first okra has started fruiting. Cucumbers are also maturing, and some should be ready for fresh market sales next week.

**Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County**

Rain stalled most fieldwork until the end of the week. Corn condition and yield potential continues to improve. Peanut growers are accelerating their fungicide applications due to several days of rain this week.

**Hugh B. Gray, Allendale County**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/11/17**

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Silking .....	64	38	46	41
Cotton - Planted .....	95	90	92	93
Cotton - Squaring .....	11	1	4	7
Hay - 1st Cutting .....	73	69	89	NA
Oats - Harvested .....	42	24	61	57
Peaches - Harvested.....	15	10	29	25
Peanuts - Planted.....	94	92	95	96
Peanuts - Pegging.....	1	NA	3	3
Rye - Harvested .....	42	20	51	43
Soybeans - Planted.....	69	57	71	68
Soybeans - Emerged.....	48	39	58	52
Tobacco - Topped .....	4	1	7	13
Winter wheat - Harvested	47	32	46	42

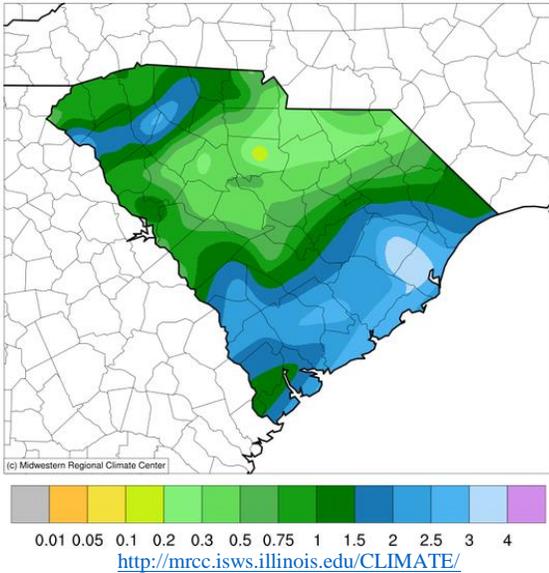
**Crop Condition for Week Ending 06/11/17**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle .....	0	0	14	79	7
Corn .....	0	0	8	42	50
Cotton .....	0	0	12	57	31
Oats .....	8	16	29	47	0
Pasture and range.....	0	0	19	79	2
Peaches.....	45	47	8	0	0
Peanuts.....	0	0	6	66	28
Rye .....	7	16	46	31	0
Tobacco.....	0	7	32	50	11
Winter wheat.....	10	5	33	51	1

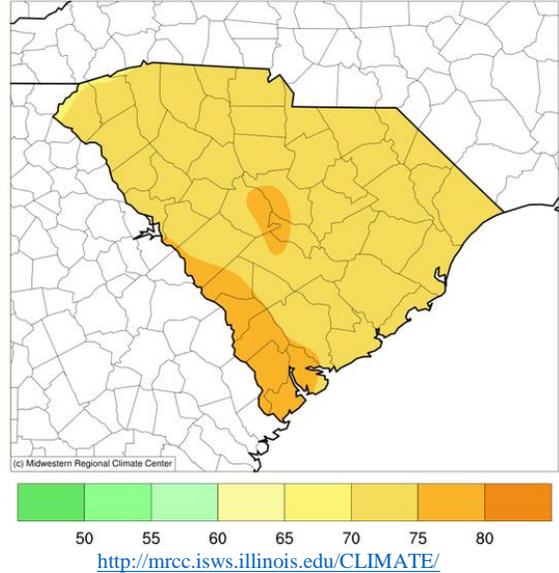
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/11/17**

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	0	2	3
Short.....	15	28	18
Adequate.....	83	70	67
Surplus.....	2	0	12
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	0	1	NA
Short.....	15	20	NA
Adequate.....	83	78	NA
Surplus.....	2	1	NA

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
June 05, 2017 to June 11, 2017



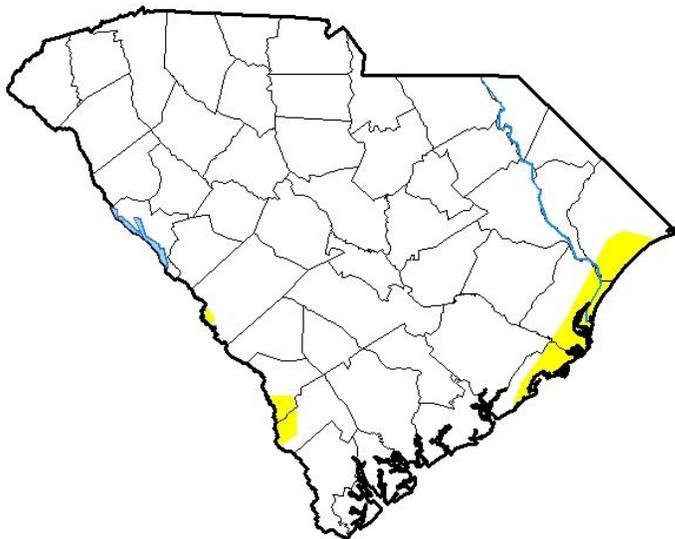
**Average Temperature (°F)**  
June 05, 2017 to June 11, 2017



For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary  
[http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli\\_reports\\_2017.php](http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2017.php)

## U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

**June 6, 2017**  
(Released Thursday, Jun. 8, 2017)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	96.73	3.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 05-30-2017	62.43	37.57	3.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 03-07-2017	48.67	51.33	26.85	17.61	4.16	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-03-2017	27.80	72.20	30.28	19.83	4.12	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-27-2016	73.62	26.38	14.28	1.45	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 06-07-2016	81.49	18.51	9.78	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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