



**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 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 2, 2017. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.1 inches of rain to 6.3 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 50s to the low 70s.

County Comments

We had cooler weather this week. Slow rains continued.

Danny Howard, Greenville County

Some areas in upper Lee and lower Kershaw counties missed the rains, which has some crops suffering from increased heat. Most crops are doing well though.

David Dewitt, Lee County

The effects of the tomato wilt virus appear to have slowed as tobacco farmers begin harvesting. This year's corn crop received timely rains throughout the season and should end up being an above average harvest. Cotton, peanut, and soybean crops appear healthy.

Rusty Skipper, Horry County

Rain events have been timely, and all crops look really good. Vegetables are doing well, but there are some diseases showing up due to humid conditions.

Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County

Hot temperatures and no rain had soils very dry in many areas. However, thunderstorms on Thursday and Friday nights provided more than an inch of rain in most areas. This improved the condition of all crops. Cotton is now blooming in many fields. Watermelon growers are into their third week of harvest, and harvest is slowing down considerably. Peanut and watermelon growers are maintaining a strict fungicide application schedule. No crop insect or disease reported this week. The peach crop, reduced by frost in the late spring, is wrapping up also. The condition and yield potential of all field crops, especially corn, look promising at this time.

Hugh B. Gray, Allendale County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/02/17

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Silking	96	94	93	92
Corn - Mature	8	NA	NA	NA
Cotton - Squaring	45	32	38	40
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	3	1	1	6
Hay - 1st Cutting	93	91	NA	NA
Oats - Harvested	96	87	91	95
Peaches - Harvested.....	39	27	60	50
Peanuts - Pegging.....	44	33	56	51
Rye - Harvested	96	87	91	91
Soybeans - Planted.....	96	90	95	93
Soybeans - Emerged.....	89	80	93	84
Soybeans - Blooming	11	5	3	5
Tobacco - Topped	37	31	35	46
Tobacco - Harvested.....	2	NA	NA	NA
Winter wheat - Harvested	97	86	94	93

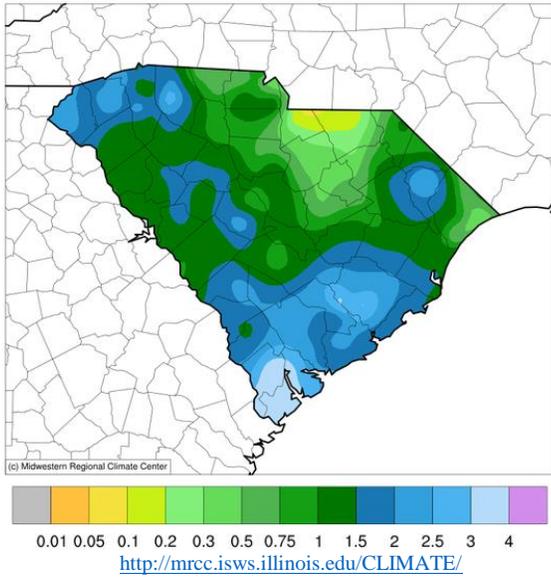
Crop Condition for Week Ending 07/02/17

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	0	11	79	10
Corn	0	0	6	67	27
Cotton	0	0	5	60	35
Pasture and range.....	0	0	13	77	10
Peaches.....	50	38	12	0	0
Peanuts.....	0	0	7	52	41
Soybeans.....	0	0	8	80	12
Tobacco.....	0	3	43	54	0

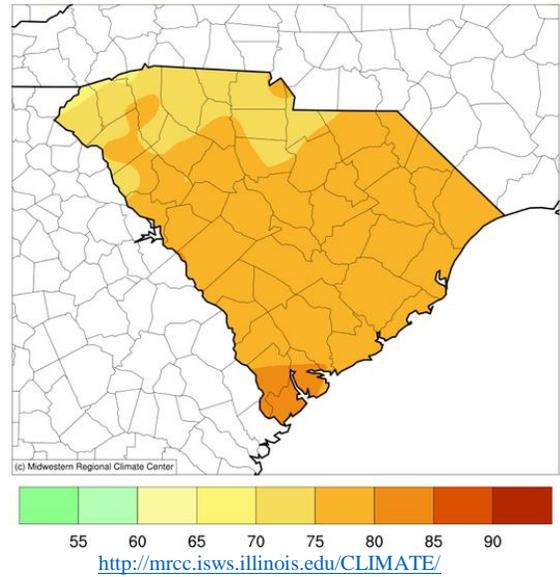
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/02/17

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	0	0	11
Short.....	8	14	30
Adequate.....	85	81	41
Surplus.....	7	5	18
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	0	0	NA
Short.....	10	19	NA
Adequate.....	80	77	NA
Surplus.....	10	4	NA

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
June 26, 2017 to July 02, 2017



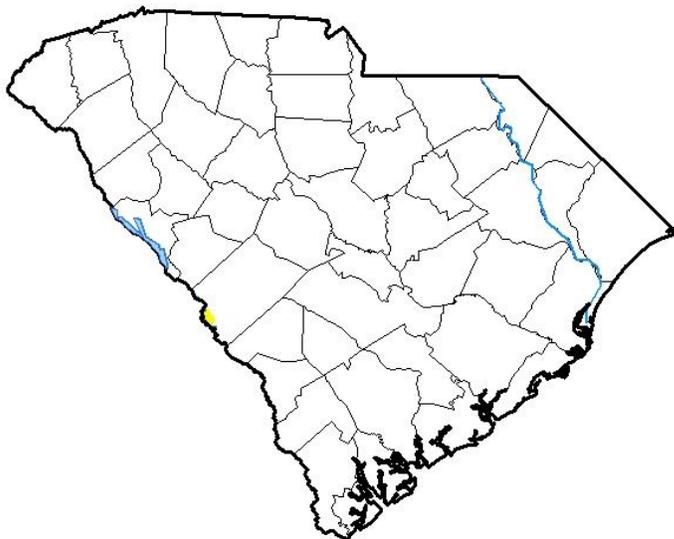
Average Temperature (°F)
June 26, 2017 to July 02, 2017



For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary
http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2017.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

June 27, 2017
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Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	99.90	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-20-2017	99.90	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 03-28-2017	4.43	95.57	37.62	17.57	2.66	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2017	27.80	72.20	30.28	19.83	4.12	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2016	73.62	26.38	14.28	1.45	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 06-28-2016	70.87	29.13	12.40	3.85	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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