



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 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 5, 2017. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain to 0.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 30s to the low 50s.

County Comments

Warm, dry conditions have allowed cotton and peanut harvesting to ramp up in Horry County, while soybean harvesting has been slow to get going. Weather permitting, all harvesting activities should increase later this week.

Rusty Skipper, Horry County

Good weather conditions have allowed farmers to conduct harvesting operations. Since there has not been a killing frost yet, the vines of soybeans are still too green to allow combines to process the beans. The bean pods are dry, and farmers should be able to harvest soon.

Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County

A cold rain and strong winds crossed through Hampton and Allendale counties last Sunday, which stalled most fieldwork until this Tuesday. Crop harvesting resumed on Tuesday and continued uninterrupted through the rest of the week. Wheat planting continued at a slow pace as growers focused on crop harvesting. Moderate temperatures are aiding in a speedy harvest.

Hugh B. Gray, Allendale County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/05/17

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	100	99	98	98
Cotton - Harvested	65	54	47	49
Hay - 3rd Cutting	89	86	NA	NA
Oats - Planted	41	31	6	25
Peanuts - Dug	94	90	NA	NA
Peanuts - Harvested	78	71	76	81
Rye - Planted	29	20	7	NA
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves	85	78	83	81
Soybeans - Harvested	27	14	32	29
Winter wheat - Planted ...	38	23	12	31
Winter wheat - Emerged.	5	NA	NA	NA

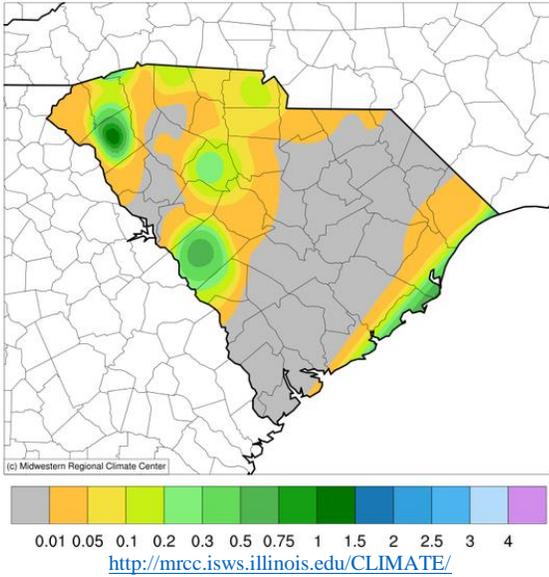
Crop Condition for Week Ending 11/05/17

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	0	15	78	7
Pasture and range	0	5	29	61	5
Soybeans	0	1	13	64	22

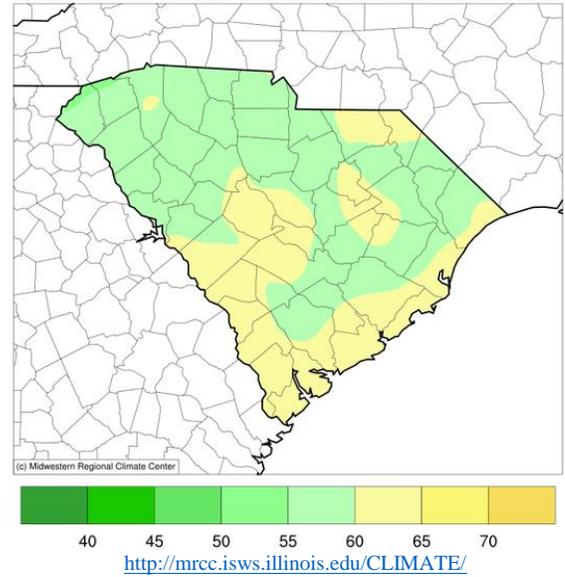
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/05/17

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	1	0	9
Short	24	19	32
Adequate	72	81	46
Surplus	3	0	13
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	1	0	NA
Short	16	25	NA
Adequate	81	75	NA
Surplus	2	0	NA

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 30, 2017 to November 05, 2017



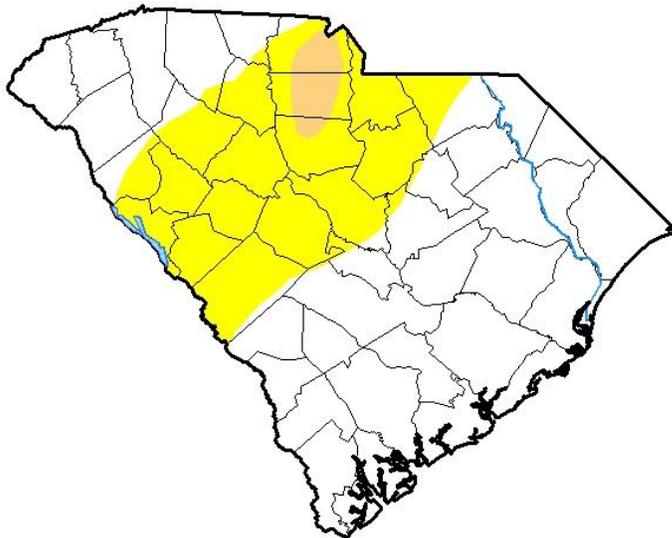
Average Temperature (°F)
October 30, 2017 to November 05, 2017



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

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	67.28	32.72	2.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-24-2017	67.28	32.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-01-2017	97.64	2.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	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 09-26-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 11-01-2016	63.94	36.06	22.02	16.41	12.20	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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