



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 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 8, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.28 inches of rain up to 0.92 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the high 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from mid 30s to the low 50s.

County Comments

Corn planting continued, but slowed a little with chances of rain and cooler weather. Windy conditions slowed burndown and fertilizer spreading.

Jonathan Croft, Orangeburg County

Rain showers provided much needed moisture. Vegetables planting is progressing, with some tomatoes having been set out. Cool nights have held up growth progress on some vegetables.

Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County

Small grain crops have headed out and progressing well. All treatments have been applied to small grains. Corn planting progressed rapidly during the week. Many growers have finished corn planting and are now switching to peanut planting or land preparation.

Hugh Gray, Allendale County

Most corn planting has been completed. Burndown ahead of cotton and peanuts has begun.

Charles Davis, Calhoun County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/08/18

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Planted.....	37	10	51	35
Corn - Emerged.....	10	2	19	14
Cotton - Planted.....	0	0	0	0
Peaches - Blooming.....	95	85	93	NA
Tobacco - Transplanted..	4	0	4	NA
Winter wheat - Headed...	6	0	34	10

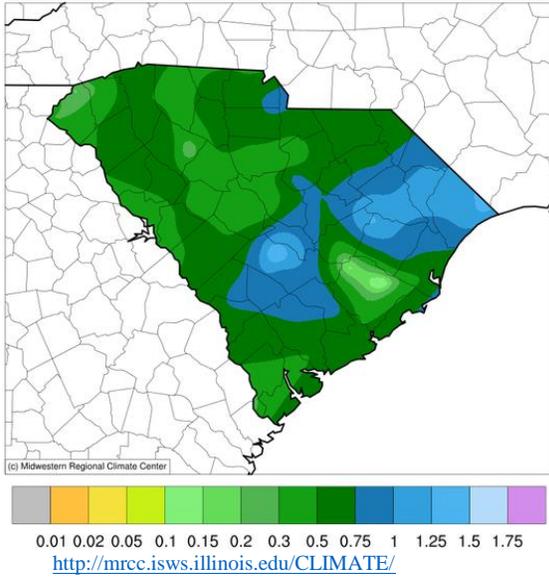
Crop Condition for Week Ending 04/08/18

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	0	40	55	5
Oats	0	0	48	51	1
Pasture and range.....	0	1	41	52	6
Peaches.....	5	5	46	44	0
Rye	0	1	36	60	3
Winter wheat.....	0	0	26	70	4

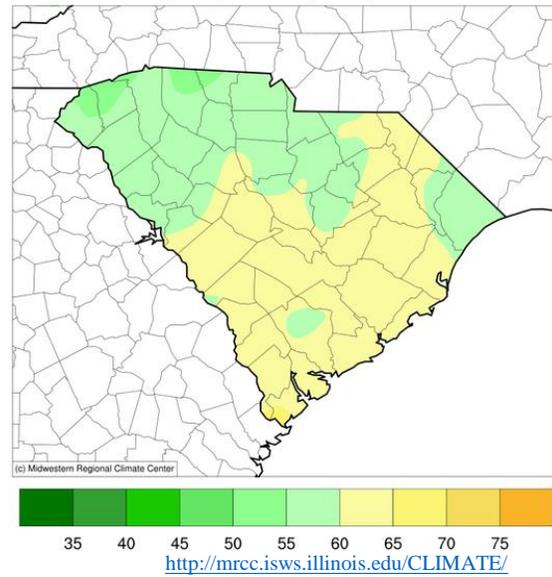
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/08/18

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	0	0	1
Short.....	18	17	10
Adequate.....	80	81	76
Surplus.....	2	2	13
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	0	0	NA
Short.....	17	17	NA
Adequate.....	82	83	NA
Surplus.....	1	0	NA

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 02, 2018 to April 08, 2018



Average Temperature (°F)
April 02, 2018 to April 08, 2018



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

April 3, 2018
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	23.93	76.07	51.47	24.05	0.00	0.00
Last Week 03-27-2018	27.65	72.35	30.66	3.68	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 01-02-2018	27.38	72.62	21.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2018	27.38	72.62	21.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 04-04-2017	5.08	94.92	42.49	15.41	2.16	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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