



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 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 21, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.10 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50s to the mid 60s.

County Comments

Rain soaked fields delayed harvest. The quality of cotton and peanuts is deteriorating as well.

David Dewitt, Kershaw County

A week with no delays in harvesting or small grain planting permitted good progress. Soybean harvest slowed as most growers planted late maturing varieties due to rainy conditions in late May and early June. Soybean harvest should resume at full speed in a week or so. No crop insect or disease problems.

Hugh B, Gray, Allendale County

Fall greens were progressing at a good rate. Harvesting of cotton and peanuts was progressing. Most soybeans were yellowing.

Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County

Harvest delayed in some areas due to wet field conditions.

Charles Davis, Calhoun County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/21/18

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	82	79	99	92
Cotton - Harvested	24	18	40	24
Oats - Planted	12	6	19	NA
Peanuts - Dug	53	46	83	NA
Peanuts - Harvested	36	26	56	48
Rye - Planted	13	4	13	NA
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves	50	44	69	50
Soybeans - Harvested	9	8	9	7
Winter wheat - Planted...	7	0	14	16

Crop Condition for Week Ending 10/21/18

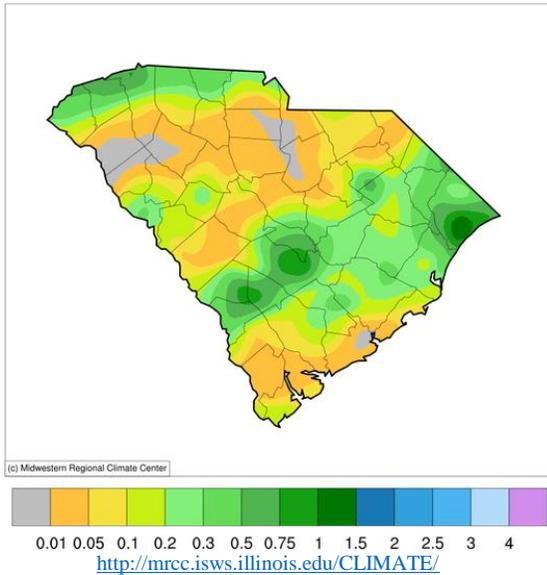
Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	1	18	81	0
Cotton	0	6	43	36	15
Pasture and range.....	0	5	38	57	0
Peanuts.....	0	0	24	49	27
Soybeans	0	12	50	35	3

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/21/18

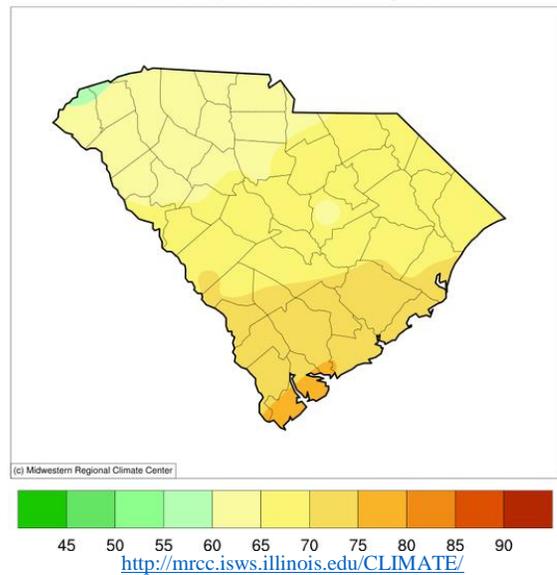
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	0	0	NA
Short	7	5	NA
Adequate.....	90	92	NA
Surplus.....	3	3	NA

Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	0	0	NA
Short	7	10	NA
Adequate.....	90	87	NA
Surplus.....	3	3	NA

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 15, 2018 to October 21, 2018



Average Temperature (°F)
October 15, 2018 to October 21, 2018



For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2018.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

October 16, 2018
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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	81.29	18.71	2.05	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-09-2018	77.52	22.48	6.92	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-17-2018	76.95	23.05	0.00	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 09-25-2018	89.90	10.10	1.52	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 10-17-2017	60.27	39.73	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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