



**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 2.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 18, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.72 inches of rain up to 6.56 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 40s to the mid 40s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 30s to the mid 40s.

County Comments

Wet conditions were causing crops to further deteriorate. While many producers remained hopeful that damage from tropical weather was minimal, the excessive moisture has prohibited harvest and field activity and continued to negatively impact crops. Dry weather is desperately needed.

J. Blake Badger, Williamsburg County

Soybeans are in need of a killing frost. Mature beans were losing quality, and there is much cotton to be harvested yet. Fall greens are looking good, but with warm, damp conditions, some were having leaf disease issues.

Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County

Continued rainy conditions during the week halted all fieldwork.

Charles Davis, Calhoun County

Damp, rainy and threatening overcast skies for most of the week stalled most harvesting and fieldwork. A little more wheat was planted. Growers need a couple of weeks of sunshine and favorable weather to complete harvests. Low temperatures dropped to the low 30's on a couple of nights but little killing frost was observed.

Hugh B. Gray, Allendale County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/18/18

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Harvested.....	55	49	81	73
Oats - Planted.....	40	38	64	48
Peanuts - Dug.....	80	75	NA	NA
Peanuts - Harvested.....	71	62	91	89
Rye - Planted.....	40	35	54	NA
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves.....	70	65	95	96
Soybeans - Harvested....	25	22	58	53
Winter wheat - Planted...	30	27	58	52
Winter wheat - Emerged.	22	4	30	26

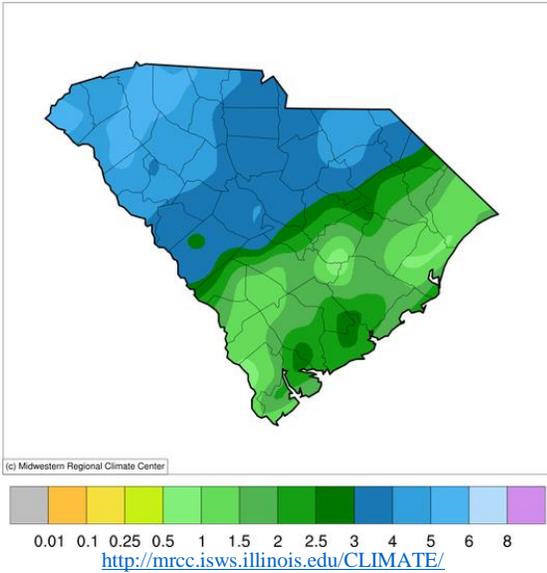
Crop Condition for Week Ending 11/18/18

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	0	3	23	74	0
Cotton.....	2	8	35	40	15
Pasture and range.....	0	2	57	38	3
Soybeans.....	3	20	41	32	4

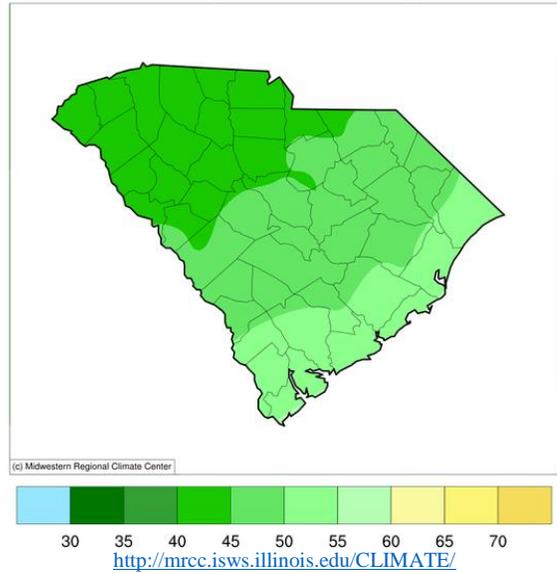
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/18/18

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	0	0	NA
Short.....	0	0	NA
Adequate.....	69	84	NA
Surplus.....	31	16	NA
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	0	0	NA
Short.....	0	0	NA
Adequate.....	81	91	NA
Surplus.....	19	9	NA

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
November 12, 2018 to November 18, 2018



Average Temperature (°F)
November 12, 2018 to November 18, 2018



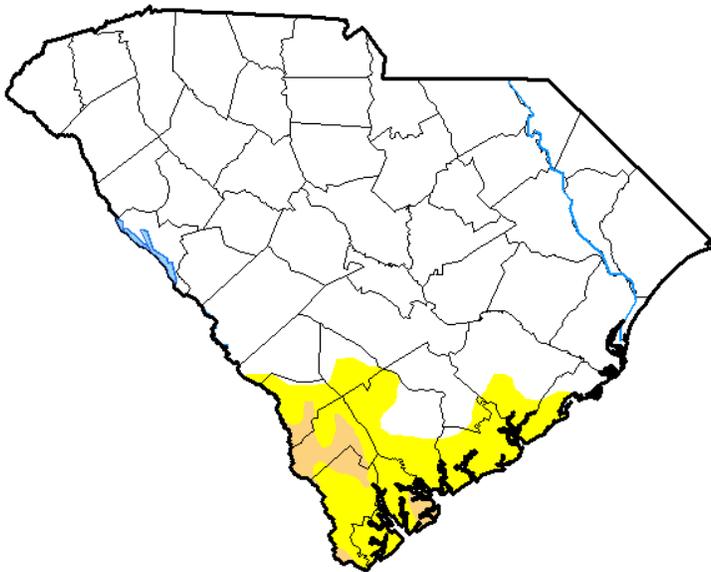
For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2018.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

November 13, 2018
(Released Thursday, Nov. 15, 2018)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	86.53	13.47	2.18	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>11-06-2018</i>	86.53	13.47	2.18	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>08-14-2018</i>	97.67	2.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-02-2018</i>	27.38	72.62	21.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-25-2018</i>	89.90	10.10	1.52	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>11-14-2017</i>	53.95	46.05	8.91	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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