



**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, April 14, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.39 inches of rain up to 3.65 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 50s.

County Comments

Much of the corn planted has started to emerge. Horry County farmers prepared to transplant tobacco.

Rusty Skipper, Horry County

Some field activity occurred the first part of the week as farmers began to set the 2019 tobacco crop. Heavy rain last week slowed progress for a few days and delayed corn planting.

Kyle Daniel, Georgetown County

Periodic rainfall last week helped dry land crops. Greens and root crops were harvested. Rain ruined some strawberries which caused diseases to show up in the strawberry fields. Most of the tomato crop is in the ground.

Zack Snipes, Beaufort County

Corn planting nearly wrapped up. Favorable weather and adequate soil moisture allowed corn to get off to a good start. Most wheat fields began to head out. Growers prepared fields for cotton and soybean planting. The watermelon crop was off to a good start with no insect or disease problems reported. Several overcast days with occasional rainy spells may cause diseases to get started in wheat.

Hugh B. Gray, Allendale County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/14/19

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Planted.....	69	37	66	56
Corn - Emerged.....	34	15	30	33
Cotton - Planted.....	0	0	0	0
Peaches - Blooming.....	94	82	NA	NA
Tobacco - Transplanted..	5	1	8	NA
Winter wheat - Headed...	27	3	13	21

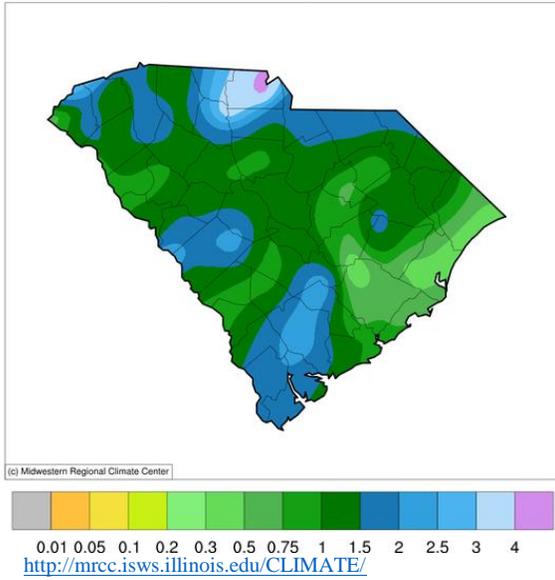
Crop Condition for Week Ending 04/14/19

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	1	28	65	6
Pasture and range.....	0	0	40	51	9
Peaches.....	0	0	29	67	4
Winter wheat	0	2	36	61	1

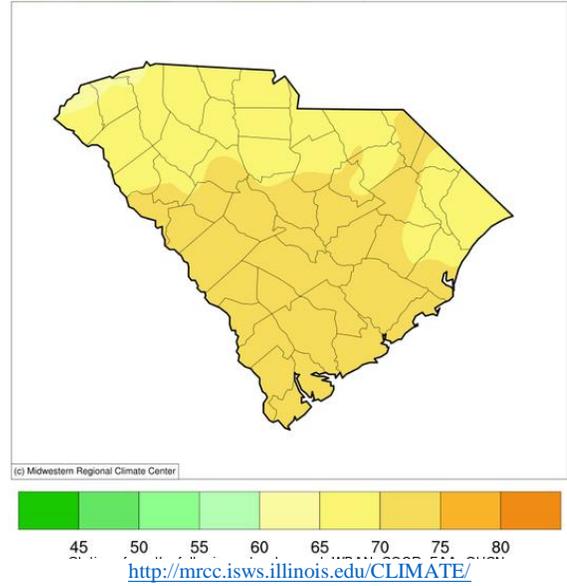
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/14/19

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	7	15
Adequate.....	73	63
Surplus.....	20	22
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	8	16
Adequate.....	76	66
Surplus.....	16	18

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 08, 2019 to April 14, 2019



Average Temperature (°F)
April 08, 2019 to April 14, 2019



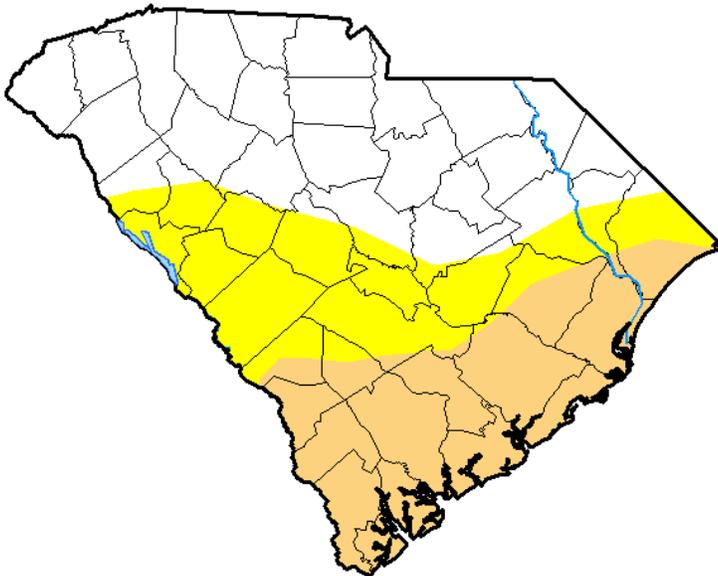
For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2018.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

April 9, 2019
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	46.51	53.49	27.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>04-02-2019</i>	33.87	66.13	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-08-2019</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2019</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	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>04-10-2018</i>	8.30	91.70	51.47	24.94	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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