



**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, September 8, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 15.21 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

**County Comments**

Both Chester and Fairfield missed all the rain from the hurricane. The pasture condition rapidly diminished. Many trees in the counties have lost their leaves. Cotton and soybeans look to be holding at a fair to good condition. Seems that with the current drought that deer have hurt many row crops.

**Brandon Lambert, Chester County**

Rain from Dorian helped improve soil conditions. Some cotton have blown out of bolls but all hemp is blown down.

**Anthony Melton, Darlington County**

Hurricane Dorian passed through Horry but didn't leave much damage. The rain was adequate and helped the soybeans. Some cotton was a little twisted and blown. Peanuts were still looking to be ok so far this season.

**Koty Roberts, Horry County**

Last week was busy in preparation for Hurricane Dorian. We narrowly missed the eye of the storm but still experienced 60mph winds. We had some damage to trees, greenhouses, buildings and some crops. We received anywhere from 2-10 inches of rain. Low lying fields were flooded and some bare ground crops were lost. Overall we came out better than expected from the hurricane but yet another setback in our fall production this year.

**Zack Snipes, Beaufort County**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/08/19**

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested.....	86	68	76	79
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	56	40	26	42
Cotton - Harvested.....	0	NA	0	0
Hay - 2nd Cutting .....	95	90	94	NA
Peanuts - Dug.....	3	1	NA	NA
Peanuts - Harvested.....	1	NA	0	1
Soybeans - Blooming .....	95	90	NA	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods	53	45	74	78
Tobacco - Harvested.....	91	82	87	90

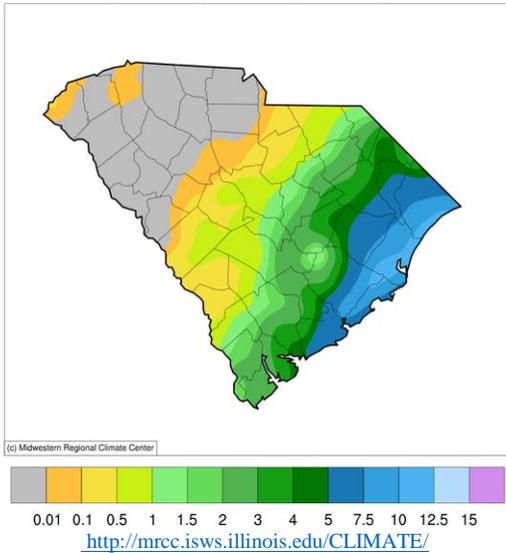
**Crop Condition for Week Ending 09/08/19**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle .....	0	0	22	73	5
Cotton .....	0	11	34	51	4
Pasture and range.....	2	20	42	35	1
Peanuts.....	0	4	34	53	9
Soybeans.....	0	3	27	63	7

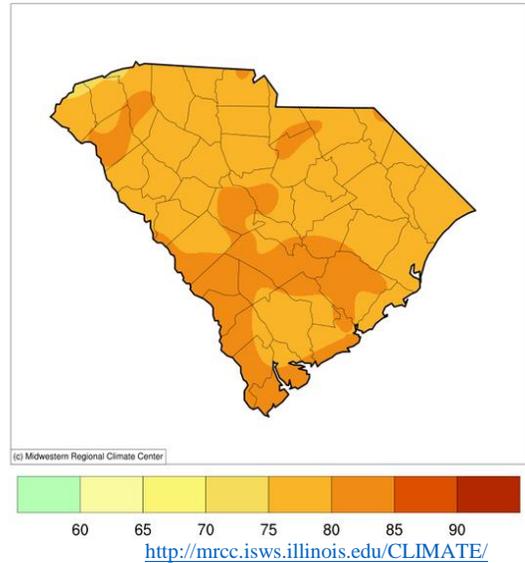
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/08/19**

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	13	7
Short.....	37	46
Adequate.....	47	47
Surplus.....	3	0
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	9	6
Short.....	38	46
Adequate.....	50	48
Surplus.....	3	0

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
September 02, 2019 to September 08, 2019



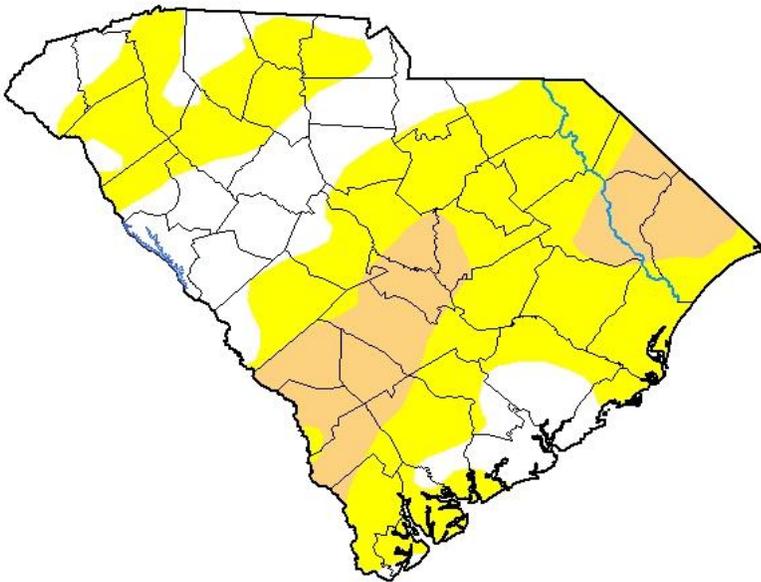
**Average Temperature (°F)**  
September 02, 2019 to September 08, 2019



For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary [http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli\\_reports\\_2019.php](http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2019.php)

## U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

**September 3, 2019**  
(Released Thursday, Sep. 5, 2019)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	28.35	71.65	17.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 08-27-2019	24.78	75.22	17.59	0.65	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 06-04-2019	11.80	88.20	49.80	16.23	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-01-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-25-2018	89.90	10.10	1.52	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 09-04-2018	66.79	33.21	2.33	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Intensity:**

- None
- 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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