



**United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
South Carolina Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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This report contains data collected each week from respondents across the state whose occupations provide them opportunities to discuss agricultural production with farmers in their counties as well as to make visual observations. We thank all who have contributed to this 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 5, 2020. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain up to 2.8 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the high 50s.

Crops

Producers were making field preparations such as tilling and applying burn down applications for corn, soybeans, peanuts, and cotton. Some areas in fields were still too wet for farmers to work. Corn was being planted with some of the crop emerged. Strawberries were looking good, however some of the crop was facing some disease pressure. Fields were being prepared for planting vegetables. Both blueberries and muscadines were looking good and progressing ahead of schedule.

Livestock and Pastures

Pastures were greening with the warm weather and cattle were looking good.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/05/20

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Planted.....	32	NA	22	27
Corn - Emerged.....	12	NA	11	10
Cotton - Planted.....	0	NA	0	0
Peaches - Full Bloom...	75	NA	68	68
Tobacco - Transplanted	1	NA	0	2
Winter wheat - Headed	2	NA	15	6

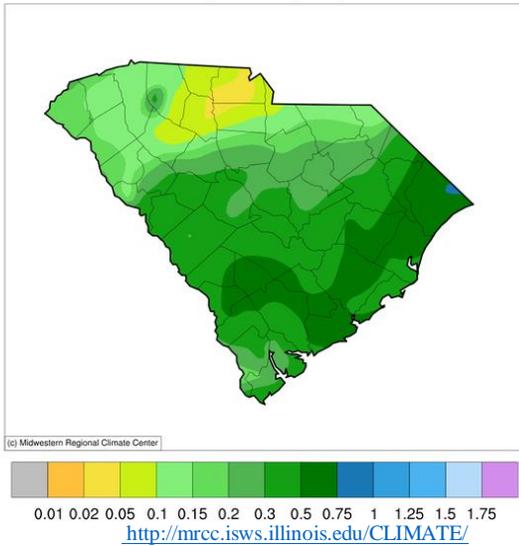
Crop Condition for Week Ending 04/05/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	0	0	5	82	13
Pasture and range	1	3	25	59	12
Peaches.....	0	1	21	52	26
Winter wheat.....	1	11	41	40	7

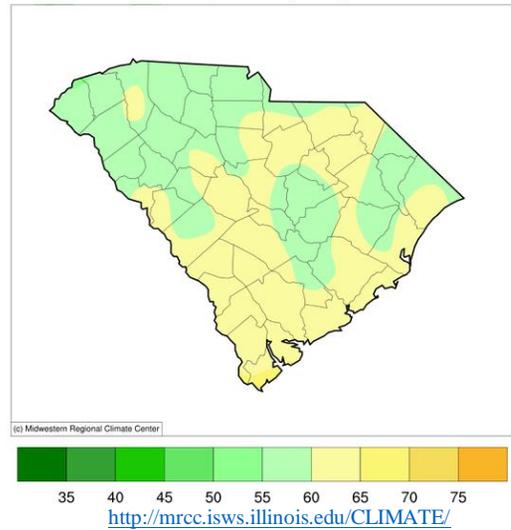
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/05/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	NA	0
Short.....	NA	2
Adequate.....	NA	73
Surplus.....	NA	25
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	NA	1
Short.....	NA	2
Adequate.....	NA	63
Surplus.....	NA	34

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
March 30, 2020 to April 05, 2020



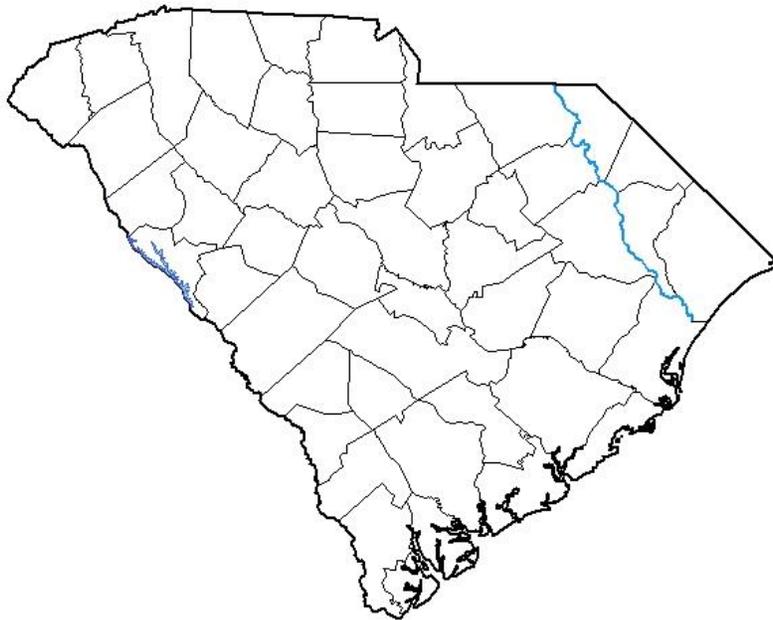
Average Temperature (°F)
March 30, 2020 to April 05, 2020



For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2019.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

March 31, 2020
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Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 03-24-2020	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 12-31-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2019	22.06	77.94	48.67	20.47	1.77	0.00
One Year Ago 04-02-2019	33.87	66.13	30.00	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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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