



# 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 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 10, 2021. Precipitation ranged from little rain to 10.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 50s to the low 70s.

## Crops

Multiple days of rain limited the amount of fieldwork that could be completed. Corn harvest continued slowly with some producers splitting harvest time between corn and early soybeans. Cotton bolls nearly completed opening and some harvest activity continued despite the weather. Peanuts dug and harvested fell further behind the previous year due to wet field conditions.

## Livestock and Pastures

Cattle remained in mostly good condition. Some flooding was reported in pastures, but they remained in mostly good and fair condition.

## Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/10/21

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested .....	96	93	95	98
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	84	67	83	88
Cotton - Harvested.....	1	3	6	17
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	75	65	76	71
Peanuts - Dug.....	44	28	38	53
Peanuts - Harvested .....	28	20	25	33
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves.....	61	24	39	48
Soybeans - Harvested .....	1	NA	3	2
Winter wheat - Planted.....	2	0	3	2

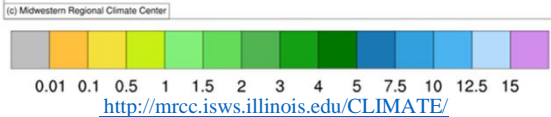
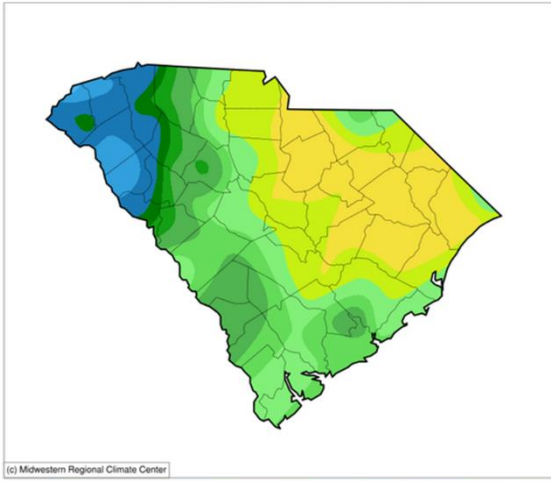
## Conditions for Week Ending 10/10/21

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle .....	0	1	11	76	12
Cotton.....	0	1	19	58	22
Pasture and range ....	0	1	31	65	3
Peanuts .....	1	1	12	66	20
Soybeans .....	1	2	13	59	25

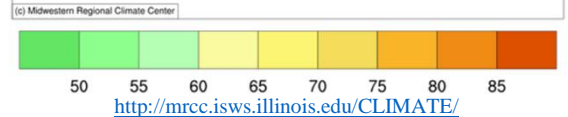
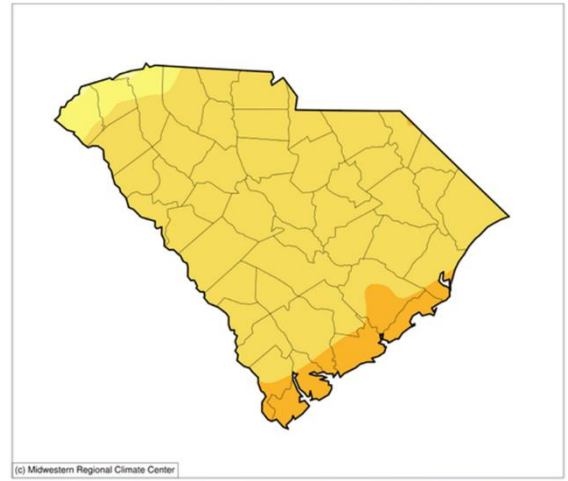
## Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/10/21

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short .....	1	1
Short.....	26	16
Adequate .....	73	73
Surplus .....	0	10
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short .....	0	0
Short.....	17	12
Adequate .....	83	82
Surplus .....	0	6

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
October 04, 2021 to October 10, 2021



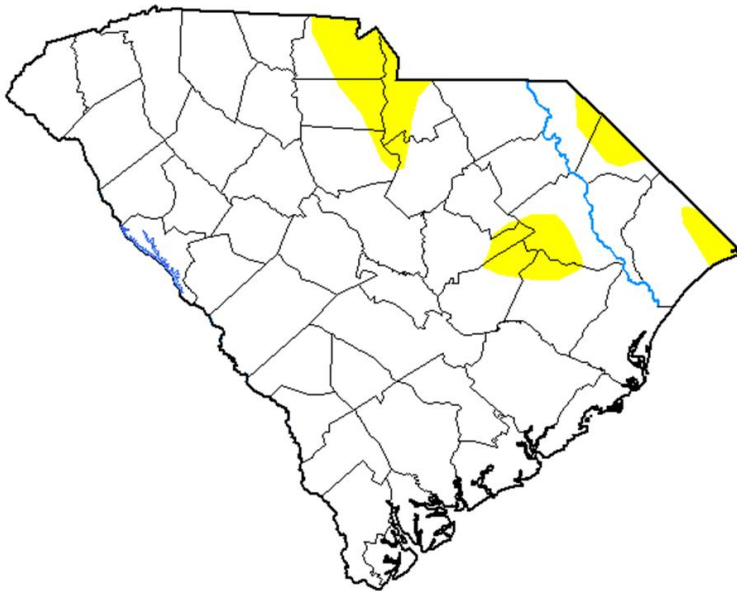
**Average Temperature (°F)**  
October 04, 2021 to October 10, 2021



For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary [http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli\\_reports\\_2021.php](http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2021.php)

## U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

**October 5, 2021**  
(Released Thursday, Oct. 7, 2021)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	92.21	7.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 09-28-2021	98.41	1.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 07-06-2021	75.24	24.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12-29-2020	86.70	13.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-28-2021	98.41	1.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 10-06-2020	99.42	0.58	0.00	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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