

# 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's South Carolina Field Office, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 3, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 90s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the mid 70s.

### **County Extension Comments**

It's hot and dry in Horry County this week. Our corn crop has matured and yield potential looks really good. Tobacco harvest is now underway and has potential for a strong crop. Our soybeans, peanuts, and cotton crops appear off to a good start, but a few afternoon showers could help get these crops going again.

# Hilda Shelley, Horry County

Extreme heat, high winds, and lack of rainfall have begun to have a serious effect on field crops. Dryland corn has taken a yield loss and farmers are irrigating heavily to maintain the irrigated corn crop. Cotton and peanuts are holding their own so far.

# **Charles Davis, Calhoun County**

We have had very unpredictable rain amounts this week across Hampton and Allendale creating difference in crop condition across the counties. Cotton in Hampton County is still showing signs of damage from the delayed planting times from floods that occurred in late May and early June. Most of the peanuts and corn look great. Soybeans went in very late and are still being planted.

# **Andrew Warner, Allendale County**

Tobacco harvest began this week. Harvest of watermelons, peaches, and tomatoes is continuing and should finish in the next week or so. The late maturing peach crop is less than expected. Late planted cotton and soybeans are progressing well.

# **Hugh Gray, Allendale County**

# Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/03/16

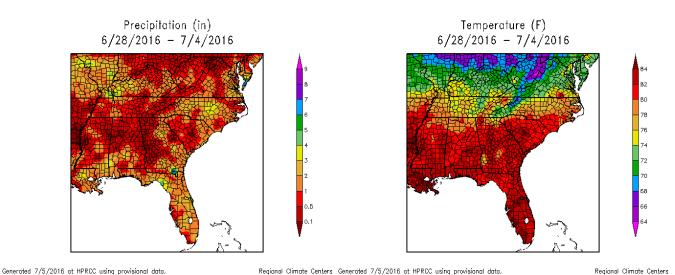
Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Silking	94	88	94	93
Cotton - Squaring	41	22	36	45
Cotton - Setting Bolls	1	0	6	10
Hay - 2nd Cutting	45	0	NA	NA
Oats - Harvested	92	86	99	97
Peaches - Harvested	61	51	54	47
Peanuts - Pegging	59	41	65	48
Rye - Harvested	92	86	94	92
Soybeans - Planted	96	92	91	93
Soybeans - Emerged	94	86	84	83
Soybeans - Blooming	3	1	2	4
Tobacco - Topped	35	33	32	57
Winter Wheat - Harvested	94	91	99	95

# Crop Condition for Week Ending 07/03/16

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	0	13	79	8
Corn	1	6	30	41	22
Cotton	0	0	54	40	6
Pasture and range	1	11	29	56	3
Peanuts	0	0	16	68	16
Soybeans	0	3	12	62	23
Tobacco	2	8	23	43	24

#### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/03/16

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Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	29 57	9 27 58 6	17 32 34 17
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	4 25 61 10	1 26 63 10	NA NA NA NA



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U.S. Drought Monitor

South Carolina

# June 28, 2016 (Released Thursday, Jun. 30, 2016) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

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	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Сиптепт	70.87	29.13	12.40	3.85	0.00	0.00
Last Week 621/2016	70.83	29.17	10.61	1.91	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 329/2016	62.41	37.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12292015	99.66	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/29/2015	26.80	73.20	31.76	10.91	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 630/2015	32.80	67.20	27.30	0.00	0.00	0.00

D0 Abnormally Dry
D1 Moderate Drought
D2 Severe Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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