

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 4.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 25, 2017. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.4 inches of rain to 7.1 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

County Comments

Overall conditions appear to be good to excellent throughout the area. Many pastures were slow to recover from the devastating drought last year, but are showing good progress now. Some reseeding has been and will be necessary; in many cases, this is due to overgrazing while in poor condition last year.

J. Blake Badger, Greenwood County

Several inches of rainfall since last weekend impeded fieldwork, except for foot traffic in the tobacco fields where suckering and topping of the crop was at its peak. Tomato spotted wilt virus, black shank, and fusarium wilt are plaguing tobacco, but overall, the leaf crop is good. Corn will have a record yield. All other field crops are in the early growth stages.

Kyle Daniel, Georgetown County

Rain events during the past week eased the heat and drought stress of crops. Farmers were not able to make fungicide and insecticide applications to vegetable crops due to rain events and soil moisture levels. Most corn is doing well, but some is showing signs of nitrogen shortage. Peanuts and cotton are also doing well.

Mark Nettles, Orangeburg County

All summer crops are coming in right now (e.g. melons, squash, beans, tomatoes, and peppers).

Zack Snipes, Charleston County

Crops are looking good. Wet weather prevented some grain harvesting and some soybean planting.

Chris Talley, Anderson County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/25/17

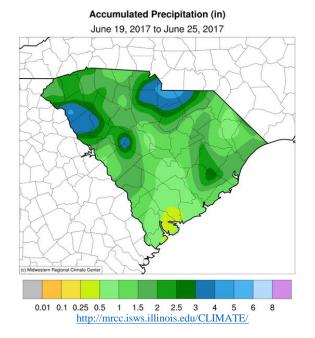
| Crop stage | This week | Prev week | Prev year | 5 Year avg |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn - Silking | 94 | 89 | 86 | 83 |
| Cotton - Planted | 98 | 97 | 99 | 99 |
| Cotton - Squaring | 32 | 23 | 20 | 25 |
| Cotton - Setting Bolls | 1 | NA | 0 | 2 |
| Hay - 1st Cutting | 91 | 84 | NA | NA |
| Oats - Harvested | 87 | 71 | 85 | 90 |
| Peaches - Harvested | 27 | 25 | 50 | 42 |
| Peanuts - Pegging | 33 | 11 | 37 | 32 |
| Rye - Harvested | 87 | 73 | 86 | 83 |
| Soybeans - Planted | 90 | 81 | 91 | 89 |
| Soybeans - Emerged | 80 | 65 | 84 | 75 |
| Soybeans - Blooming | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Tobacco - Topped | 31 | 12 | 30 | 35 |
| Winter wheat - Harvested | 86 | 71 | 90 | 86 |

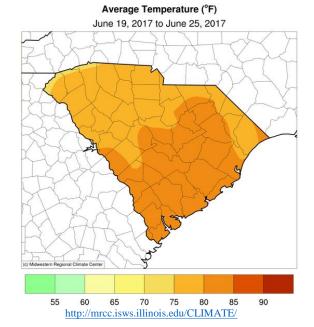
Crop Condition for Week Ending 06/25/17

| Crop | Very poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Cattle | 0 | 0 | 8 | 83 | 9 |
| Corn | 0 | 2 | 10 | 43 | 45 |
| Cotton | 0 | 0 | 12 | 48 | 40 |
| Pasture and range | 0 | 0 | 11 | 82 | 7 |
| Peaches | 52 | 40 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| Peanuts | 0 | 0 | 5 | 64 | 31 |
| Soybeans | 0 | 0 | 11 | 81 | 8 |
| Tobacco | 4 | 28 | 30 | 33 | 5 |

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/25/17

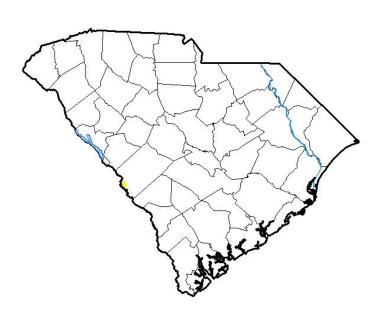
| Topsoil | This week | Previous week | 5 Year avg | |
|------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | |
| Very short | 0 14 81 5 | 5 28 67 0 | 11 31 51 7 | |
| Subsoil | This week | Previous week | 5 Year avg | |
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | |
| Very short | 0 19 77 4 | 0 29 71 0 | NA NA NA NA | |





For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2017.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina



June 20, 2017 (Released Thursday, Jun. 22, 2017) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

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|---|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
| Current | 99.90 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week 06-13-2017 | 99.90 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Month's Ago 03-21-2017 | 10.51 | 89.49 | 35.56 | 17.61 | 4. 16 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2017 | 27.80 | 72.20 | 30.28 | 19.83 | 4.12 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 09-27-2016 | 73.62 | 26.38 | 14.28 | 1.45 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago 06-21-2016 | 70.83 | 29.17 | 10.61 | 1.91 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Intensity:

| D0 Abnormally Dry | D3 Extreme Drought |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| D1 Moderate Drought | D4 Exceptional 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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