



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 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 8, 2020. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 0.9 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 30s to the low 60s.

Crops

Most days started off damp, cloudy, and humid, which slowed the pace of peanut, cotton, and soybean harvesting in the mornings. However, minimal rain and drier afternoon conditions allowed harvesting to continue at a steady pace. Hay cutting was nearly finished for the season.

Strawberry fields looked good, with essentially a full stand and a good amount of new growth. Brassicas were coming along, and harvesting of collards began. Other crops were growing well, and some producers picked tomatoes, squash, and beans. Pest pressure on vegetables remained light in the Pee Dee region. In the Midlands, drier air allowed growers to get a handle on disease issues that have dogged them for the last few weeks.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle condition remained mostly good.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/08/20

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Harvested	77	23	46	58
Hay - 3rd Cutting	89	92	95	NA
Peanuts - Dug	97	83	92	NA
Peanuts - Harvested.....	92	61	76	75
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves	95	92	97	86
Soybeans - Harvested.....	24	23	38	27
Winter wheat - Planted	13	19	28	26
Winter wheat - Emerged..	5	7	11	8

(NA) Not available

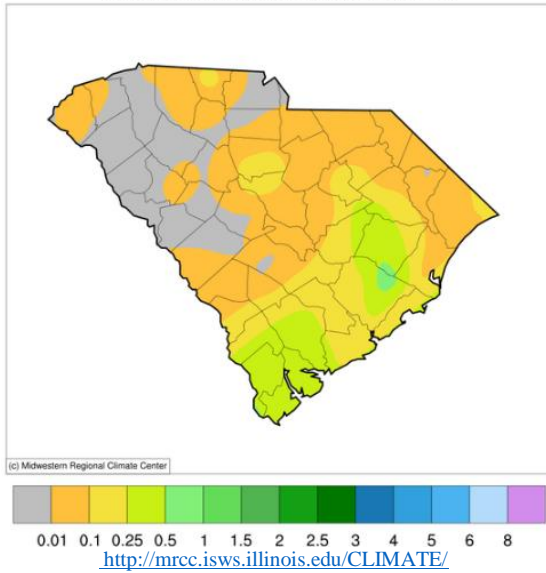
Conditions for Week Ending 11/08/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	5	19	59	16
Cotton	2	3	17	52	26
Pasture and range..	1	9	28	49	13
Soybeans	3	8	13	44	32

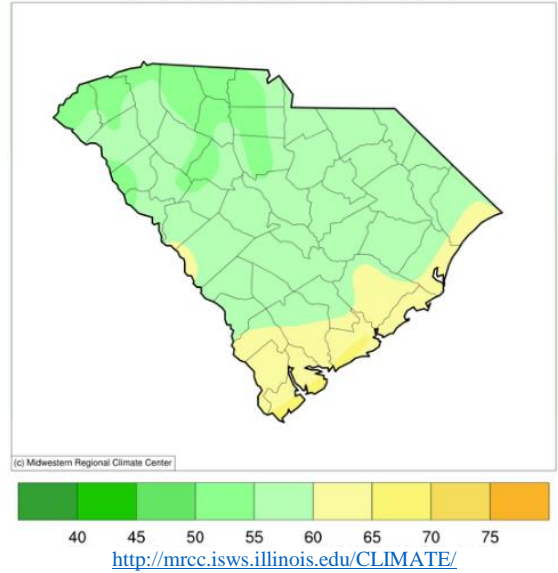
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/08/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	6	2
Short	11	24
Adequate.....	80	73
Surplus.....	3	1
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	5	1
Short	12	16
Adequate.....	83	82
Surplus.....	0	1

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
November 02, 2020 to November 08, 2020



Average Temperature (°F)
November 02, 2020 to November 08, 2020



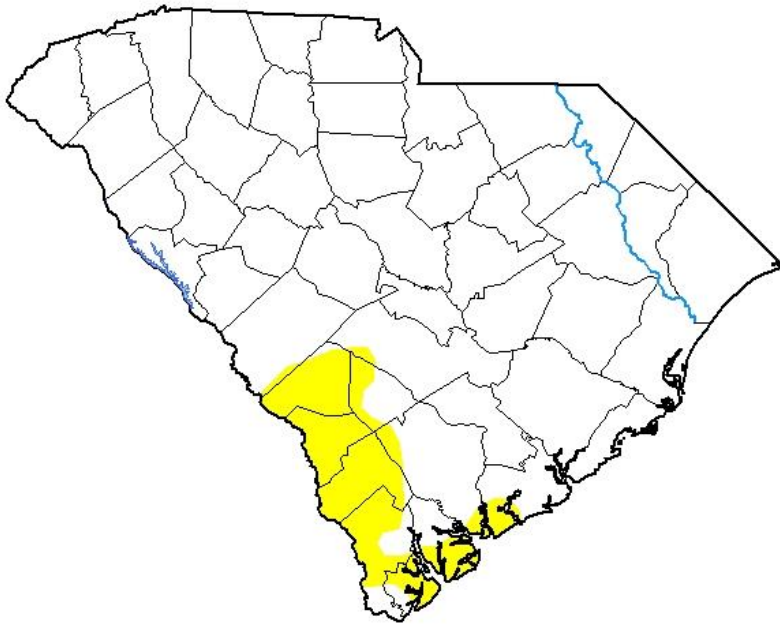
For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2020.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

November 3, 2020
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	91.12	8.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-27-2020	91.26	8.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-04-2020	84.84	15.16	0.13	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 09-29-2020	99.42	0.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 11-05-2019	23.77	76.23	59.50	19.52	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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