



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 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 15, 2021. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 3.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the high 70s.

Crops

A variety of vegetables have been harvested and marketed this week. Corn neared full maturity last week with harvest beginning in the Midlands. Cotton progressed well with squaring near completion and a majority of the bolls now set. There were reports of stress on crops due to continued hot and humid conditions, however much of the state received enough rainfall to maintain adequate moisture levels.

Livestock and Pastures

Pasture and cattle remained in mostly good condition this week.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/15/21

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	79	68	85	81
Corn - Harvested	14	1	5	15
Cotton - Squaring.....	90	99	100	96
Cotton - Setting Bolls	74	79	90	82
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	0	0	0	3
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	90	73	82	77
Peaches - Harvested	95	88	90	88
Peanuts - Pegging	98	96	98	95
Soybeans - Blooming.....	66	65	75	72
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	35	20	33	32
Tobacco - Harvested	61	50	60	55

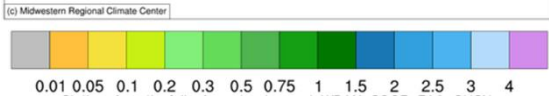
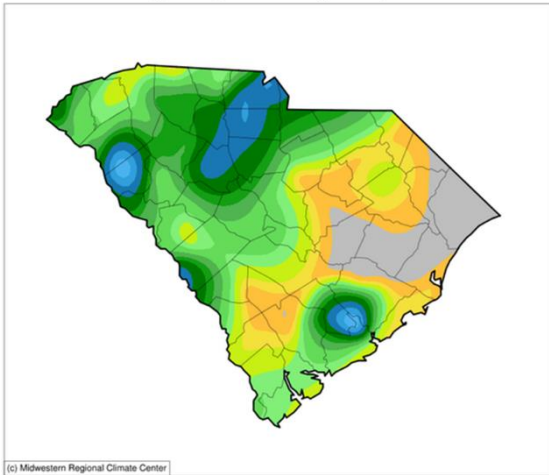
Conditions for Week Ending 08/15/21

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	5	25	55	15
Corn	4	4	23	54	15
Cotton.....	0	0	23	66	11
Pasture and range	1	4	25	56	14
Peanuts	0	0	2	91	7
Soybeans	0	0	13	75	12

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/15/21

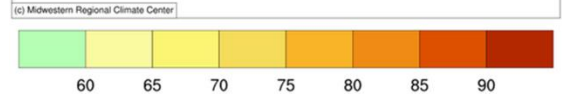
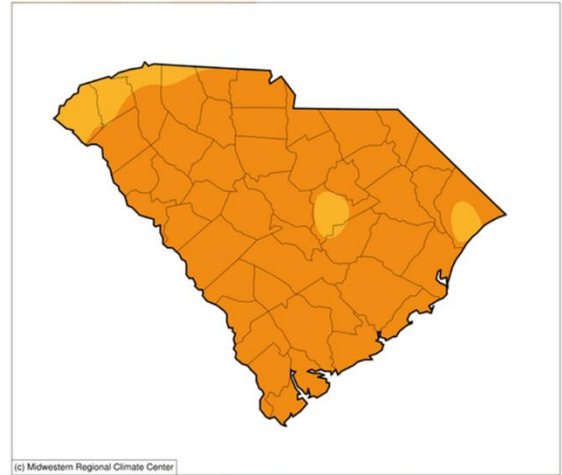
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	0	0
Short.....	5	15
Adequate	79	79
Surplus	16	6
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	0	0
Short.....	2	6
Adequate	86	89
Surplus	12	5

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 09, 2021 to August 15, 2021



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Average Temperature (°F)
August 09, 2021 to August 15, 2021

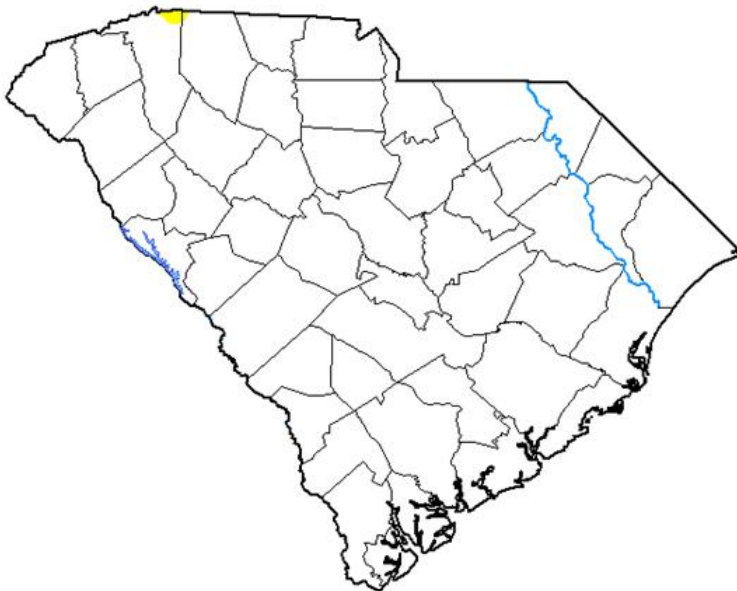


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For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2021.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

August 10, 2021
(Released Thursday, Aug. 12, 2021)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	99.86	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 08-03-2021	99.81	0.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 05-11-2021	54.83	45.17	17.42	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-29-2020	86.70	13.30	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 08-11-2020	95.48	4.52	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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