



**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 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 24, 2022. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts of rain to 3.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the low 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the low 60s.

Crops

Warm conditions moved in with sporadic rainfall across much of the state resulting in favorable planting conditions. Planting of corn moved closer to completion across the state with a majority of the crop having now emerged. Some cotton and peanut producers began planting their crops, although most are planning to start in the next few weeks. Vegetables continued to be planted given the favorable conditions. Producers noted strawberries in good condition despite the decrease in yields.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture and range conditions remained in mostly good condition. Warm and cool season pastures were in favorable conditions with the recent warm weather.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/24/22

| Crop stage | Prev year (percent) | Prev week (percent) | This week (percent) | 5 Year avg (percent) |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Corn - Planted | 86 | 65 | 85 | 88 |
| Corn - Emerged | 68 | 33 | 63 | 65 |
| Cotton - Planted..... | 6 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Hay - 1st Cutting..... | 11 | 1 | 8 | 9 |
| Peanuts - Planted | 8 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| Soybeans - Planted..... | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Tobacco - Transplanted..... | 23 | 13 | 20 | 33 |
| Winter wheat - Headed | 69 | 41 | 60 | 63 |

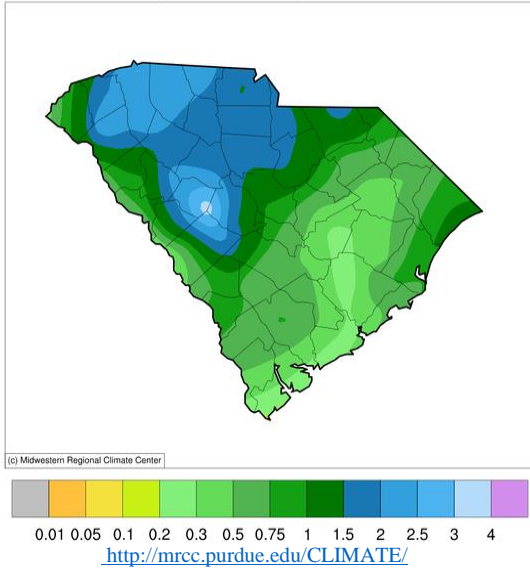
Conditions for Week Ending 04/24/22

| Crop | Very poor (percent) | Poor (percent) | Fair (percent) | Good (percent) | Excellent (percent) |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Cattle..... | 0 | 0 | 25 | 55 | 20 |
| Pasture and range | 0 | 0 | 26 | 52 | 22 |
| Peaches | 0 | 5 | 20 | 60 | 15 |
| Winter wheat..... | 0 | 0 | 26 | 66 | 8 |

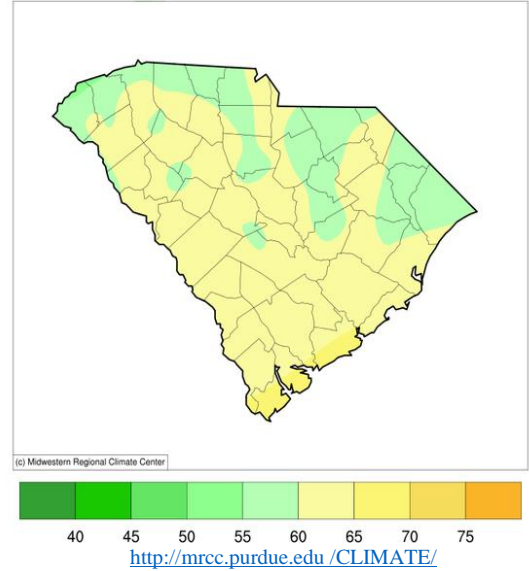
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/24/22

| Topsoil | Previous week (percent) | This week (percent) |
|------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Very short | 0 | 0 |
| Short..... | 10 | 23 |
| Adequate | 82 | 77 |
| Surplus | 8 | 0 |
| Subsoil | Previous week (percent) | This week (percent) |
| Very short | 0 | 0 |
| Short..... | 9 | 11 |
| Adequate | 89 | 89 |
| Surplus | 2 | 0 |

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 18, 2022 to April 24, 2022



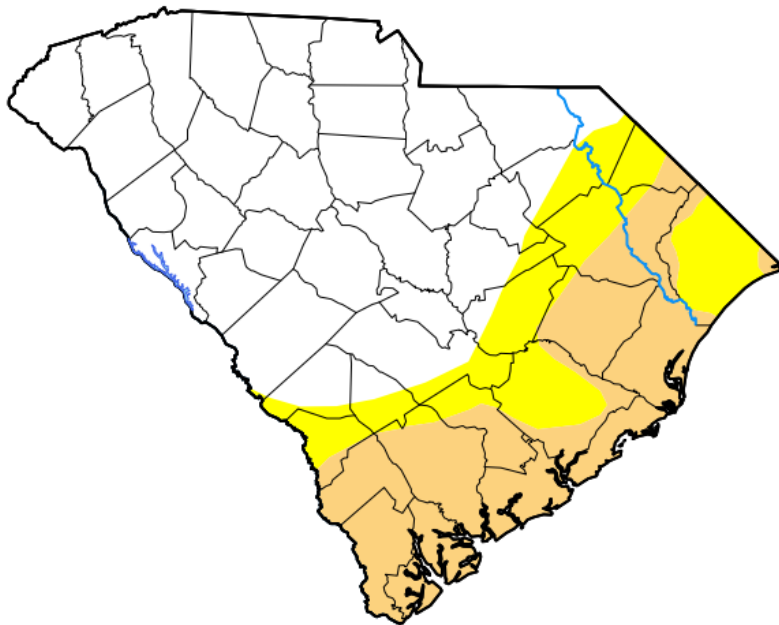
Average Temperature (°F)
April 18, 2022 to April 24, 2022



For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2022.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 59.20 | 40.80 | 24.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week 04-12-2022 | 57.08 | 42.92 | 24.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago 01-18-2022 | 57.07 | 42.93 | 19.79 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022 | 51.78 | 48.22 | 31.63 | 7.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 09-28-2021 | 98.41 | 1.59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago 04-20-2021 | 18.57 | 81.43 | 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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