



**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.

September 6, 2022

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in South Carolina, there were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 4, 2022. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts to 4.5 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Another week of consistent rainfall across the state helped maintain adequate soil moisture levels. Fields in the lowcountry region were reported to be waterlogged and unworkable. Fall crops were anticipated to be going in late as a result of the rainfall.

Corn fields finished maturing as harvest progressed behind historic levels due to wet conditions. Soybeans continued to bloom and set pods as some fields began dropping leaves. Digging of early peanuts. Hay producers finished up second cuttings and some had started third cuttings. Tobacco harvest continued to progress as weather permitted.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle conditions improved with cooler temperatures. Pastures remained in fair to good condition throughout the state.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/04/22

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	96	94	97	97
Corn - Harvested	56	40	56	65
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	16	17	33	25
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	98	93	97	96
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	10	2	8	7
Peanuts - Dug.....	2	NA	1	2
Soybeans - Blooming.....	93	85	94	93
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	66	54	66	65
Soybeans - Drop Leaves ...	2	1	5	1
Tobacco - Harvested	83	71	82	80

(NA) Not available.

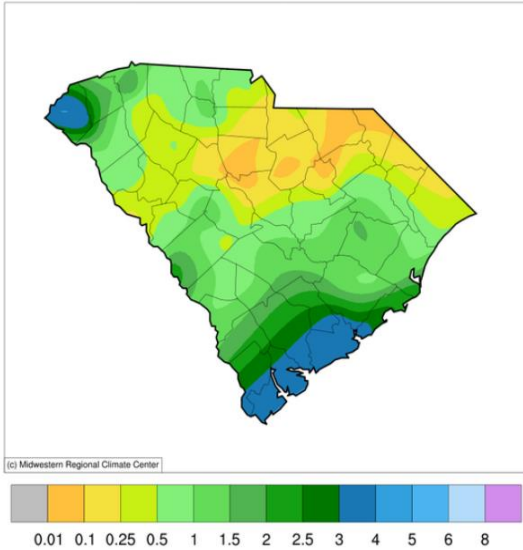
Conditions for Week Ending 09/04/22

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	1	34	54	11
Corn	9	11	25	45	10
Cotton.....	1	3	22	56	18
Pasture and range	3	8	35	49	5
Peanuts	0	1	19	63	17
Soybeans	1	3	15	68	13

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/04/22

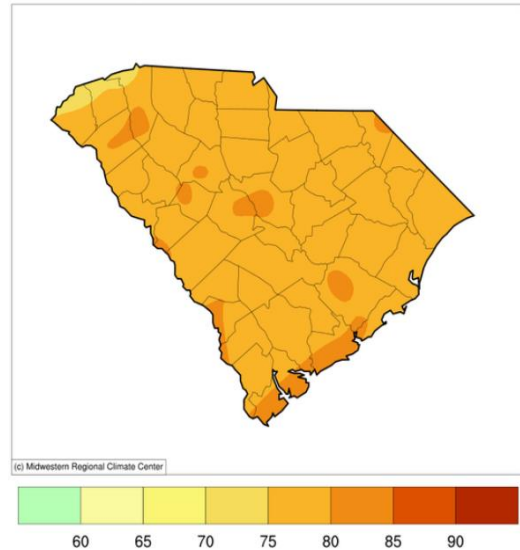
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	2	3
Short.....	16	14
Adequate	73	75
Surplus	9	8
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	1	2
Short.....	21	17
Adequate	75	78
Surplus	3	3

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 29, 2022 to September 04, 2022



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Average Temperature (°F)
August 29, 2022 to September 04, 2022

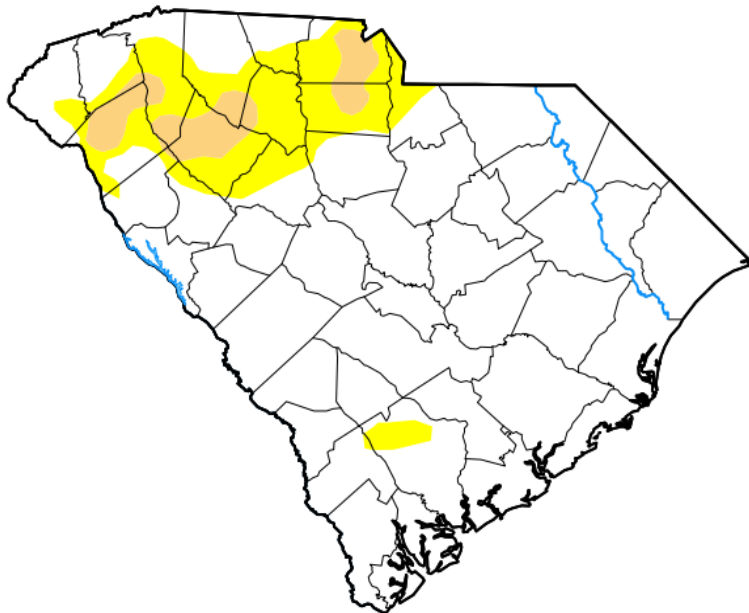


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For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2022.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

August 30, 2022
(Released Thursday, Sep. 1, 2022)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	83.11	16.89	4.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 08-23-2022	81.39	18.61	1.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 05-31-2022	60.66	39.34	25.73	3.95	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 08-31-2021	100.00	0.00	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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