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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 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 6, 2022. Precipitation totals from available reporting stations ranged from trace amounts to 2.4 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50s to the high 50s.

Crops

Scattered showers helped alleviate dry conditions in some parts of the state, although many areas were still dealing with inadequate soil moisture levels. The dry conditions and mild temperatures made for ideal conditions fieldwork. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 53 percent of the state was experiencing abnormally dry conditions and 19 percent was experiencing moderate drought conditions.

Cotton fields continued to be harvested and were progressing ahead of historical levels. Some cotton in the Lowcountry region was reported to be falling out of the bolls and onto the ground. Peanuts continued to be dug and harvested at a steady pace. Soybeans dropping leaves neared completion as harvesting progressed. Winter wheat continued to be planted, although dry soils in the Pee Dee region were reportedly delaying some plantings. Third cuttings of hay were wrapped up across most of the state.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle conditions remained in relatively good condition. Pastures were in mostly good condition around the state, although the dry weather conditions and poor soil moisture levels weakened pasture quality.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/06/22

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Harvested.....	33	51	58	52
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	96	94	98	91
Peanuts - Dug.....	78	82	94	86
Peanuts - Harvested.....	62	66	80	72
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves..	81	86	94	84
Soybeans - Harvested.....	21	33	44	25
Winter wheat - Planted.....	19	8	14	24
Winter wheat - Emerged.....	2	NA	3	5

(NA) Not available.

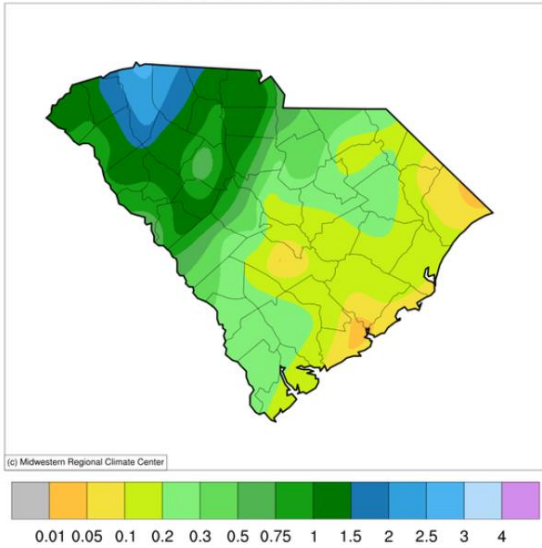
Conditions for Week Ending 11/06/22

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	4	10	38	46	2
Pasture and range	15	22	29	33	1
Soybeans	2	3	18	63	14

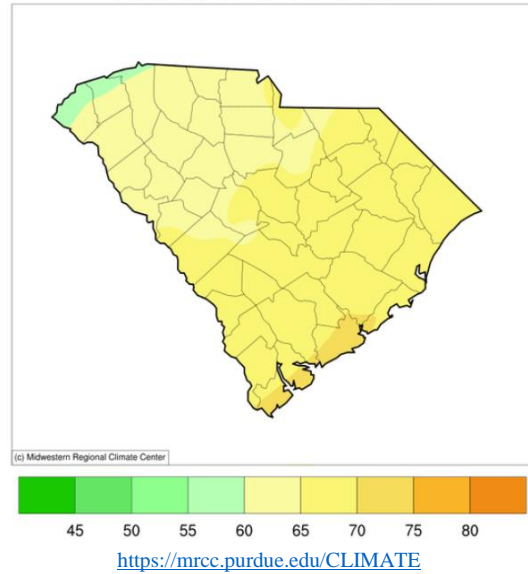
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/06/22

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	15	20
Short.....	44	48
Adequate.....	40	31
Surplus.....	1	1
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	12	18
Short.....	33	40
Adequate.....	55	42
Surplus.....	0	0

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 31, 2022 to November 06, 2022



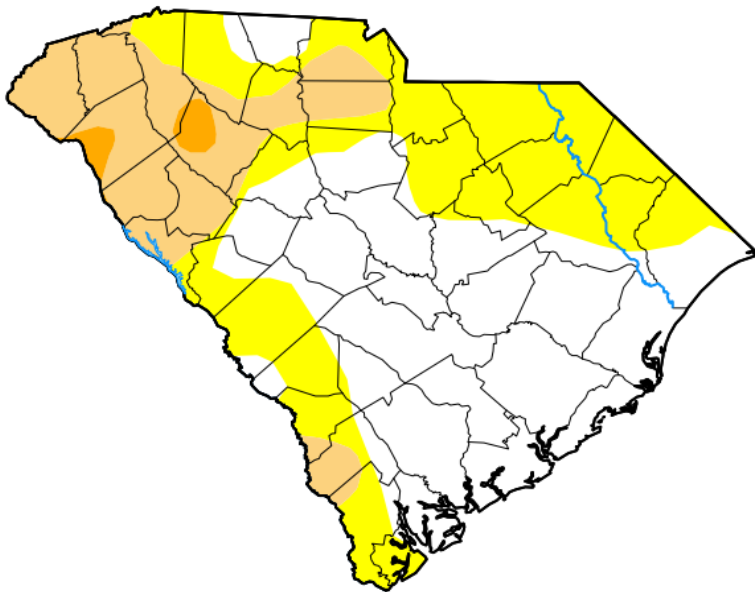
Average Temperature (°F)
October 31, 2022 to November 06, 2022



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	47.41	52.59	19.31	1.42	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-25-2022	54.21	45.79	16.32	2.49	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-02-2022	78.63	21.37	0.47	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 09-27-2022	63.65	36.35	4.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 11-02-2021	48.41	51.59	8.15	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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