

South Carolina Current Drought Status

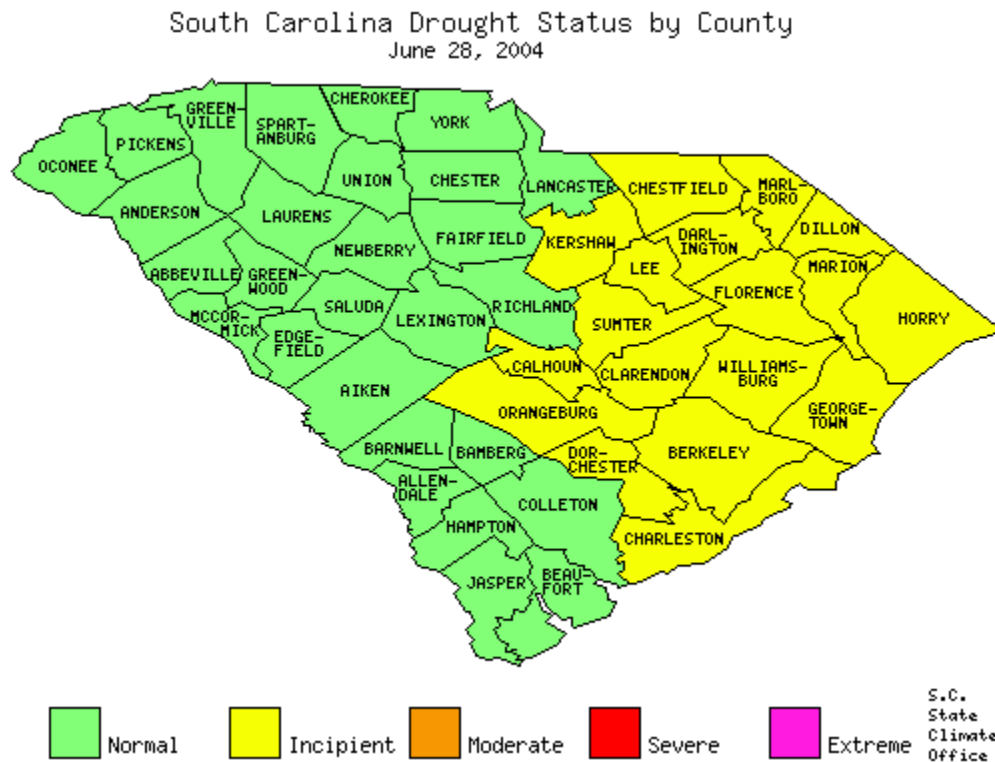
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DROUGHT DOWNGRADED FOR MANY SC COUNTIES



Recent rains have relieved the Normal drought conditions for many South Carolina counties. According to Hope Mizzell, SC State Climatologist, some locations have received over 10 inches this month while others are reporting less than one inch. Overall, the situation has improved since the incipient drought declaration was issued June 8th. The SC Department of Natural Resources will leave the incipient drought declaration in place for counties reporting below normal June rainfall. These counties are Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Kershaw, Lee, Marion, Marlboro, Orangeburg, Sumter, and Williamsburg. Localized heavy rainfall is expected across the State during the upcoming week that may alleviate drought conditions in some areas currently under the incipient drought. The SC Department of Natural Resources will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as needed.

Contact Dr. Mizzell in Columbia at (803) 734-9568 or e-mail at mizzellh@dnr.sc.gov for more information.

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Drought Status: 06-28-2004

County	Status
Abbeville	Normal
Aiken	Normal
Allendale	Normal
Anderson	Normal
Bamberg	Normal
Barnwell	Normal
Beaufort	Normal
Berkeley	Incipient
Calhoun	Incipient
Charleston	Incipient
Cherokee	Normal
Chester	Normal
Chesterfield	Incipient
Clarendon	Incipient
Colleton	Normal
Darlington	Incipient
Dillon	Incipient
Dorchester	Incipient
Edgefield	Normal
Fairfield	Normal
Florence	Incipient
Georgetown	Incipient
Greenville	Normal
Greenwood	Normal
Hampton	Normal
Horry	Incipient
Jasper	Normal
Kershaw	Incipient
Lancaster	Normal
Laurens	Normal

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Lee	Incipient
Lexington	Normal
Marion	Incipient
Marlboro	Incipient
McCormick	Normal
Newberry	Normal
Oconee	Normal
Orangeburg	Incipient
Pickens	Normal
Richland	Normal
Saluda	Normal
Spartanburg	Normal
Sumter	Incipient
Union	Normal
Williamsburg	Incipient
York	Normal