

North Carolina Drought Monitor Annual Report

Agriculture Report

Harvest 2023

Commodity	Planted All-Purpose Ac.	Harvested Acres	Yield	Production	Price Per Unit	Value of Production in Dollars
SOYBEANS	1,640,000	1,630,000	38.5 BU / ACRE	62,755,000 BU	12.9 \$ / BU	809,540,000
Corn Grain		900,000	147 BU / ACRE	132,300,000 BU	5.75 \$ / BU	760,725,000
Tobacco		113,120	2,299 LB / ACRE	260,098,000 LB	2.14 \$ / LB	556,588,000
SWEET POTATOES	78,000	77,800	195 CWT / ACRE	15,171,000 CWT	20.7 \$ / CWT	305,300,000
COTTON, UPLAND	380,000	370,000	933 LB / ACRE	719,000 480 LB BALES	0.789 \$ / LB	276,466,000

Agriculture 2023 - 2024

- Fall – Winter 2023
 - August: Reasonably dry. Crop condition based on time of planting
 - September: Spotty rains.
 - November: Moderate dryness from Clay to Currituck.
 - Gaston, Surry, Yadkin, and Craven were closer to severe drought by the completion of harvest
- Winter – Spring 2024
 - Mid-winter rains left most of the state in good shape.
 - Some Northeastern counties abnormally to moderately dry.
 - March - April
 - Most of the state in excellent position for planting and growth.

2024

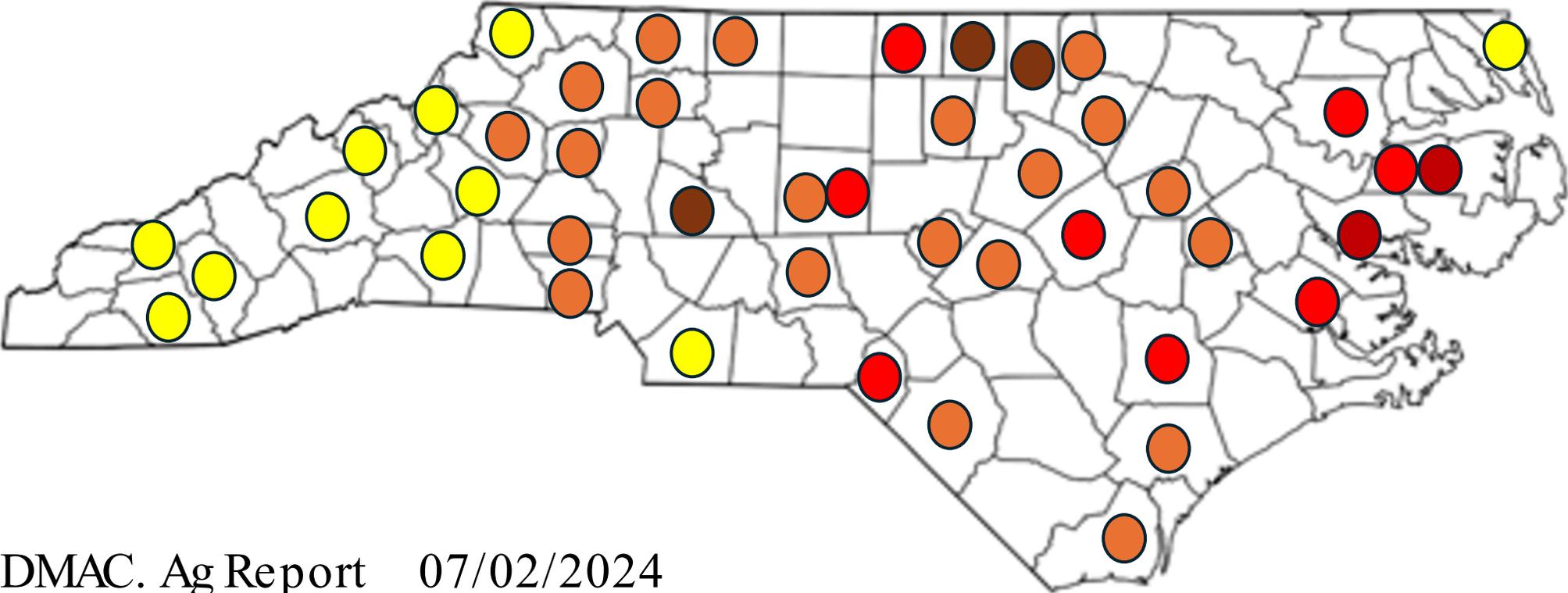
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Agriculture 2023 - 2024

- Spring to Summer 2024
 - April – Early May.
 - Much of the state is abnormally dry
 - May – June
 - Some moisture in May
 - Dryness begins to set in.
 - June sees rapid onset of moderate to severe drought in Piedmont and East
 - End of June: drought moves into the mountains, worsens in the Piedmont and East.



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2023 - 2024

2023 – 2024 Crop Impacts

- Corn took a heavy hit.
- Late planted crops suffered
- Tobacco
 - Downed
 - Mold
 - Wilted

