



Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service’s Georgia Field Office, there were 5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, March 6, 2011. Statewide topsoil moistures were rated at 2% very short, 18% short, 67% adequate, and 13% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain to 2 inches. Temperatures ranged for the week from the upper 40s to the upper 60s.

Crop Progress					Crop Condition					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2010	5-Yr Avg	Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
		Percent				Percent				
Corn-Planted	2	N/A	1	2	Onions	0	0	27	66	7
Peaches - Blooming	14	N/A	3	7	Pasture & Range	5	18	47	29	1
					Peaches	0	0	66	34	0
					Wheat, Winter	0	4	37	51	8

VP- Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX- Excellent

County Extension Comments

“Heavy rain over the weekend increased soil moisture levels, major activities include routine care of livestock and poultry.”

Gregory Sheppard, Lumpkin County, District 20

“Winter grains have improved with the warmer weather. Growers spraying winter grains for weed and also fertilizing as field conditions allow. Livestock producers still feeding hay and supplements to their animals.”

Raymond Joyce, Laurens County, District 50

“Preparing for cotton and peanuts with no Temik. Spreading lime, fertilizing wheat.”

Jim Crawford, Jefferson County, District 60

“Land preparation continues. Hay stocks are becoming limited for livestock producers.”

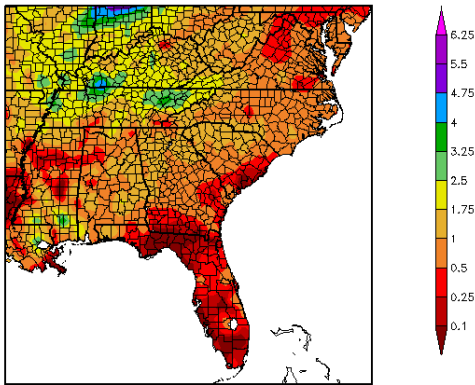
David Wagner, Terrell County, District 70

“Warm sunny weather for most of week has farmers and gardeners hopping. Taking soil test. Tillage of soil. Fixing equipment and purchasing seed etc. Cotton will be big and corn. Some peanuts and tobacco but little soybeans. Pastures and hay fields turning green. Most hay fields were burnt off and herbicides applied last month. Poultry growers happy and busy. Cattle producers having to supplement feed due to lack of adequate grazing. Rainy today but spring is in the air.....”

Mark D. von Waldner, Atkinson County, District 80

Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

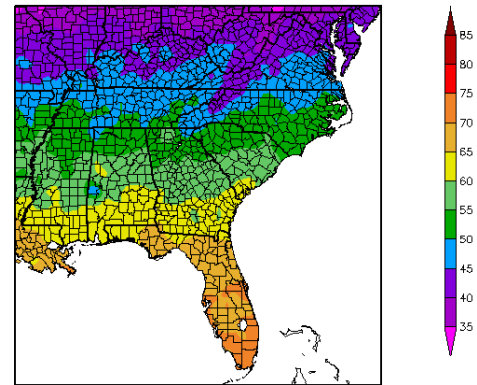
Precipitation (in)
2/27/2011 - 3/5/2011



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Temperature (F)
2/26/2011 - 3/4/2011



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

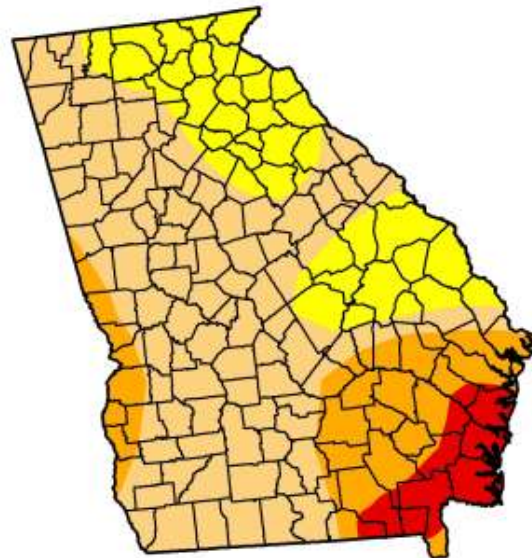
March 1, 2011
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00	77.30	22.09	6.18	0.00
Last Week (02/22/2011 map)	0.00	100.00	76.22	21.87	6.18	0.00
3 Months Ago (11/30/2010 map)	0.00	100.00	90.12	39.22	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year (12/28/2010 map)	2.42	97.58	85.37	40.34	6.49	0.00
Start of Water Year (09/28/2010 map)	4.80	95.20	39.24	5.11	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago (02/23/2010 map)	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Drought - Moderate
- D2 Drought - Severe
- D3 Drought - Extreme
- D4 Drought - Exceptional



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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