



Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 1, 2011. Statewide topsoil moistures were rated at 11% very short, 30% short, 51% adequate, and 8% surplus. Subsoil moisture for the State was 7% very short, 39% short, 51% adequate, and 3% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the week in Georgia ranged from no rain up to 3.5 inches. The week's average temperature ranged from the lower 60s to the lower 70s.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2010	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Corn - Planted	97	93	95	93
Cotton - Planted	15	7	18	14
Hay First Cutting Comp.	28	N/A	N/A	N/A
Oats - Harvested	8	1	N/A	N/A
Onions - Harvested	59	41	22	26
Peaches - Harvested	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Peanuts - Planted	7	N/A	6	5
Rye - Harvested	6	1	N/A	N/A
Sorghum - Planted	19	17	14	15
Soybeans - Planted	2	1	7	5
Tobacco - Transplanted	97	74	91	85
Watermelons - Planted	95	91	95	91

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Blueberries	0	0	26	60	14
Corn	0	2	35	55	8
Hay	2	12	38	43	5
Onions	0	2	28	58	12
Pasture & Range	2	14	39	37	8
Peaches	0	0	32	41	27
Pecans	0	1	58	31	10
Tobacco	0	2	54	38	6
Watermelons	0	1	39	56	4
Winter Wheat	0	4	28	57	11

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

County Extension Comments

"Activities were interrupted by severe weather; loss of life, homes, structures, barns, equipment, timber, etc. Fallen trees, broken fences, most livestock accounted for safely. Spraying small grains, fertilizing forages and assisting those in need."

Wade Hutcheson, Spalding County, District 40

"Light rains helped a little. The rain was only .3 to .5 inches. The topsoil moisture level and the water table are lower than normal for this time of year. Burn down herbicide applications, nitrogen side dressing of corn and land preparation for other crops were the most common activities this week."

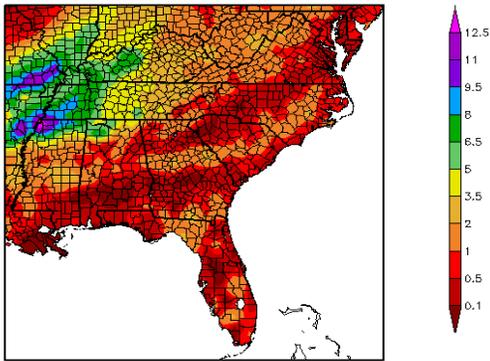
Mike Hayes, Wheeler County District 50

"Thunderstorms Thursday morning had some high winds with .75 inches up to 2 inches of rain across the county. Some rye and wheat were blown down by the high winds."

Elvin Andrews, Lanier County, District 80

Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

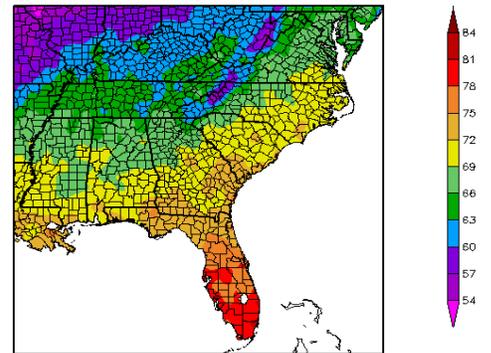
Precipitation (in)
4/25/2011 - 5/1/2011



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Temperature (F)
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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

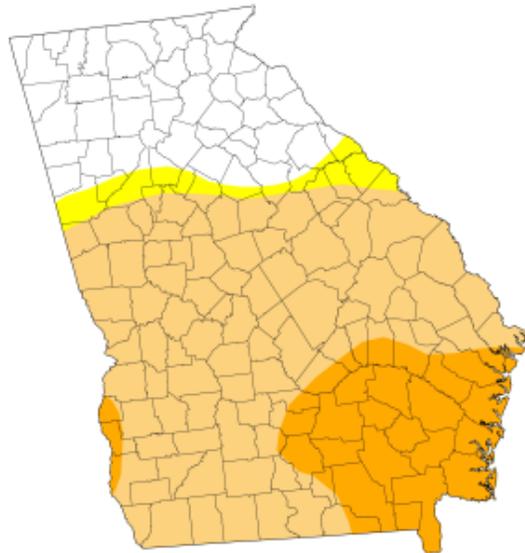
April 26, 2011
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	23.24	76.76	72.35	18.79	0.00	0.00
Last Week (04/19/2011 map)	23.24	76.76	72.35	18.79	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (01/25/2011 map)	0.00	100.00	85.28	40.63	6.49	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 (04/20/2010 map)	97.21	2.79	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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