



Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 4, 2011. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 44% very short, 39% short, 17% adequate, and 0% surplus. Subsoil moisture for the State was 47% very short, 38% short, 15% adequate, and 0% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the week in Georgia ranged from no rain up to 4 inches. The week's average temperature ranged from the low 70s to the low 80s.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2010	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Corn - Harvested	88	77	80	62
Cotton - Bolls Opening	52	32	61	37
Cotton - Harvested	0	N/A	1	0
Hay - Second Cutting	95	92	N/A	N/A
Peanuts - Dug	1	N/A	2	1
Peanuts - Harvested	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sorghum - Harvested	18	12	19	20
Tobacco - Harvested	77	65	83	83

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Cotton	12	20	38	26	4
Hay	23	40	28	8	1
Pasture & Range	27	40	27	5	1
Peanuts	7	20	39	26	8
Pecans	5	25	37	26	7
Sorghum	11	22	48	18	1
Soybeans	11	24	42	20	3

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

County Extension Comments

"Corn silage harvest finishing this week - spotty showers have left much of the county short on moisture."

Greg Sheppard, Lumpkin County, District 20

"Got some rain over the weekend. Cotton is opening up across the area. Starting to check peanut maturity."

Jeremy Kichler, Macon County, District 40

"Light scattered rains fell on just a few fields this week. Most fields are still growing under drought conditions. It's a split situation with irrigated crops looking pretty good and dry land fields in bad shape. Some fall vegetable fields have been planted and look good so far. Farmers sprayed for insects, applied fungicides, harvested some hay and irrigated a lot of fields this week."

Mike Hayes, Wheeler County, District 50

"Cotton bolls are opening at a very fast rate now. These last 2 to 3 weeks without rain has led to the point where dry land cotton and peanut fields are getting ready quick."

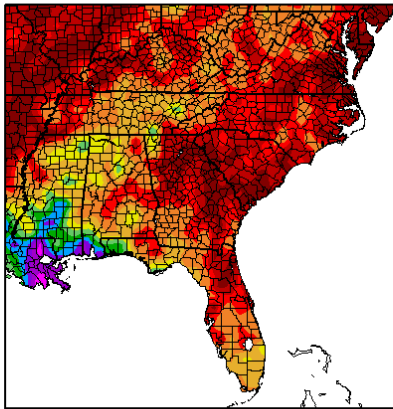
Peyton Sapp, Burke County, District 60

"Dry land crops deteriorating fast. We need some rain out of the gulf soon. Next week will tell the tale and all depends on Mother Nature."

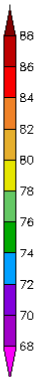
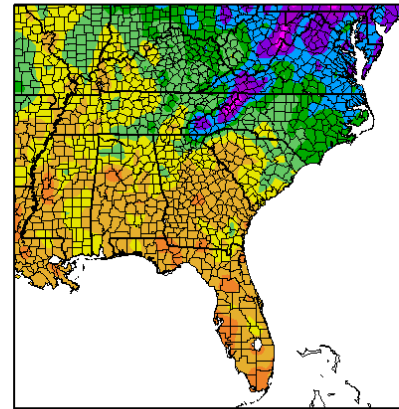
Mark Von Waldner, Atkinson County, District 80

Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

Precipitation (in)
8/30/2011 - 9/5/2011



Temperature (F)
8/30/2011 - 9/5/2011



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

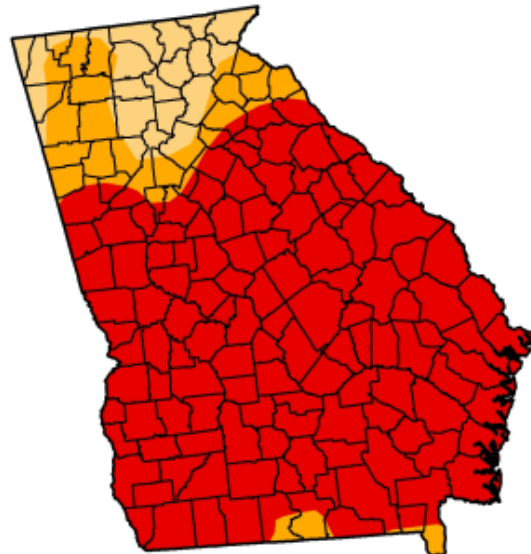
August 30, 2011
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00	99.99	90.82	79.64	0.00
Last Week (08/23/2011 map)	0.00	100.00	92.73	81.31	52.11	0.00
3 Months Ago (05/31/2011 map)	8.95	91.05	81.25	71.79	54.85	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 (08/24/2010 map)	59.28	40.72	10.01	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.

<http://drought.unl.edu/dm>



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