



Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 4.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 16, 2011. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 7% very short, 25% short, 63% adequate, and 5% surplus. Subsoil moisture for the State was 16% very short, 42% short, 41% adequate, and 1% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the week in Georgia ranged from no rain up to 7 inches. The week's average temperature ranged from the upper 50s to the mid 70s.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2010	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Cotton - Bolls Opening	96	91	98	94
Cotton - Harvested	27	21	33	23
Hay - Third Cutting	67	56	N/A	N/A
Oats - Planted	28	17	28	28
Peanuts - Dug	64	54	65	56
Peanuts - Harvested	47	38	49	41
Pecans – Harvested*	7	5	5	4
Rye - Planted	28	21	29	33
Sorghum - Harvested	37	35	44	47
Soybeans - Harvested	13	7	8	8
Winter Wheat - Planted	15	11	9	8

*Harvest reflects acres to be harvested

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Cotton	12	18	39	23	8
Pasture & Range	14	32	42	10	2
Peanuts	7	17	39	24	13
Pecans	1	16	43	31	9
Sorghum	11	19	50	15	5
Soybeans	14	20	42	19	5

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

County Extension Comments

"What little rain was received just kept us from backing up much further."

Wade Hutcheson, Spalding County, District 40

"Farmers harvested cotton, peanuts and some late corn fields this week. The last few hay fields have now been cut. Both the yield and the quality of the hay harvest has been disappointing. A lot of winter grazing fields were planted this week."

Mike Hayes, Wheeler County, District 50

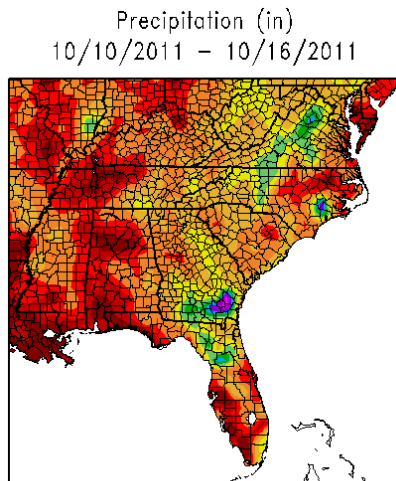
"Wet damp and rainy. Very little field work was done. Rain helped late cotton. Hurt open cotton a little but really hurt dug and undug peanuts on the ground or in soil. Rain varied from 2" to 9" west to east of county. Hoping for some sunny and dry weather for picking crops."

Mark Von Waldner, Atkinson County, District 80

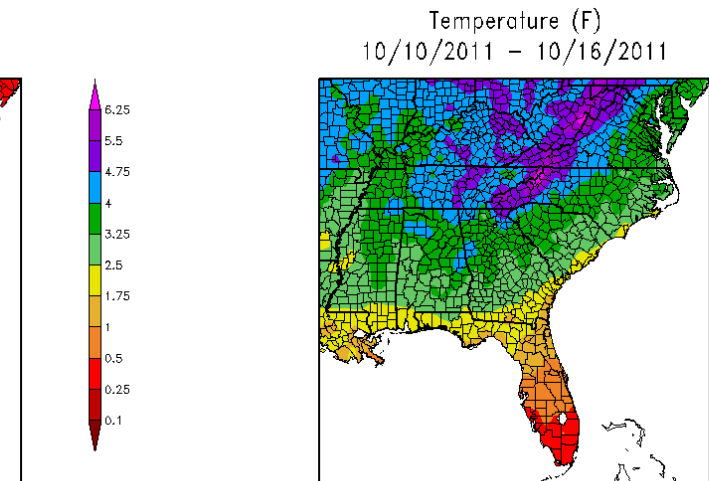
"Recent rain and cloudy weather has held up peanut and cotton harvest for the last two weeks. Bermuda grass maggot has really damaged our last cutting of hay."

Mark Frye, Wayne County, District 90

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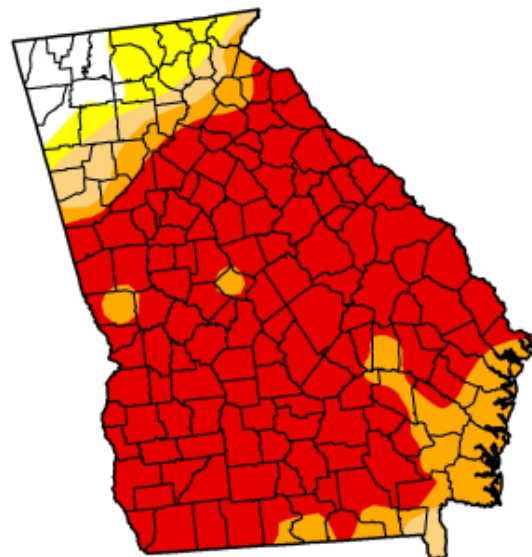
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	4.17	95.83	90.93	86.32	73.27	0.00
Last Week (10/04/2011 map)	5.59	94.41	90.93	87.59	77.63	0.00
3 Months Ago (07/12/2011 map)	3.27	96.73	85.37	75.00	68.79	35.52
Start of Calendar Year (12/28/2010 map)	2.42	97.58	85.37	40.34	6.49	0.00
Start of Water Year (09/27/2011 map)	5.62	94.38	90.72	85.56	78.76	0.00
One Year Ago (10/05/2010 map)	10.99	89.01	36.83	4.04	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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