



# Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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**General:** According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service’s Georgia Field Office, there were 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 15, 2012. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 8% very short, 38% short, 49% adequate, 5% surplus. Subsoil moisture 16% very short, 45% short, 37% adequate, 2% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 4.0 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80's to the mid 90's. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60's to the high 70's.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Cotton – Squaring	91	85	68	76
Cotton – Setting Bolls	59	45	37	35
Hay – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	48	41	20	N/A
Peaches – Harvested	95	88	86	72
Peanuts – Blooming	91	90	81	83
Peanuts – Pegging	73	62	56	55
Sorghum – Planted	96	92	86	89
Soybeans – Planted	95	94	95	99
Tobacco – Harvested	23	12	23	14
Watermelons – Harvested	93	88	94	87

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Corn	2	6	20	54	18
Cotton	0	4	38	48	10
Peanuts	0	2	27	57	14
Range and Pasture	9	20	45	24	2
Sorghum	1	5	37	52	5
Soybeans	1	9	38	47	5
Tobacco	2	10	33	44	11

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

### County Extension Comments

“Spotty rains bring some drought relief to some farmers. Others weren’t so fortunate. Observed problems with kudzu bugs on soybeans.”

**John H. Pope, Monroe County, District 50**

“Good rainfall over most of Southwest Georgia, especially near the Florida/Georgia state line.”

**Don Clark, Grady County, District 70**

“Soybeans going in behind corn everywhere. Corn harvest has begun.”

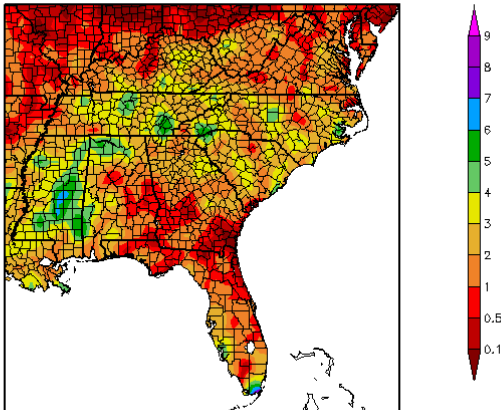
**Max Demott, Mitchell County, District 70**

“Scattered showers help hold crop conditions”

**T. Brian Tankersley, Tift County, District 80**

# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

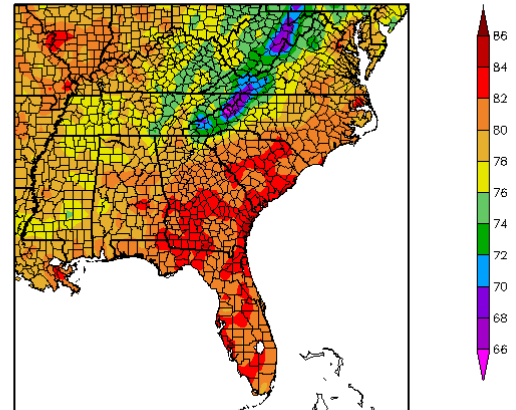
Precipitation (in)  
7/9/2012 - 7/15/2012



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Temperature (F)  
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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

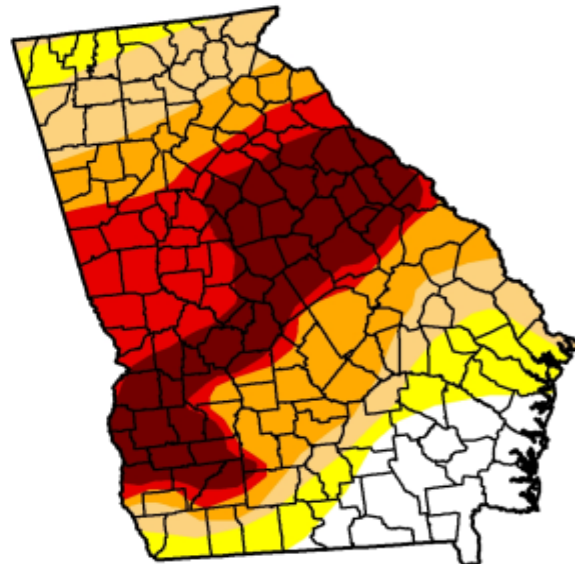
July 10, 2012  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	12.29	87.71	75.71	59.14	38.44	21.73
Last Week (07/03/2012 map)	13.82	86.18	74.86	59.14	37.24	19.98
3 Months Ago (04/10/2012 map)	4.52	95.48	84.22	77.66	63.07	11.32
Start of Calendar Year (12/27/2011 map)	12.07	87.93	85.36	81.00	63.92	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 (07/05/2011 map)	2.58	97.42	85.51	74.91	68.91	40.45

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://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>



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