



Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 5, 2012. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 8% very short, 38% short, 49% adequate, 5% surplus. Subsoil moisture 18% very short, 45% short, 35% adequate, 2% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 5.1 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70's to the low 90's. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60's to the mid 70's.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Cotton – Squaring	98	96	89	95
Cotton – Setting Bolls	88	78	67	77
Cotton – Bolls Opening	1	N/A	2	N/A
Hay – 2 nd Cutting	88	78	65	N/A
Peanuts – Pegging	93	88	88	91
Tobacco – Harvested	42	31	38	38

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Corn	0	6	20	56	18
Cotton	1	5	33	50	11
Peanuts	1	4	27	54	14
Range and Pasture	4	18	46	29	3
Sorghum	4	10	42	39	5
Soybeans	3	9	35	48	5
Tobacco	2	8	27	51	12

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

County Extension Comments

“Scattered afternoon thunderstorms have improved soil moisture.”

Katie Hammond, Dade County, District 10

“It has been a tough growing season, a lot of variation in soil moisture and temperatures.”

Kieth Michler, Floyd County, District 10

“Still needing a good rain shower after most of the county didn't get much last week. Most soybeans still look pretty good right now.”

Adam Speir, Madison County, District 30

“Corn harvest is under way and hearing about some good corn yields (200 bu +). Soybeans are looking good, some fields have been treated for kudzu bugs. Got some showers over the last week.”

Jeremy Kichler, Macon County, District 40

“Corn harvest progressing rapidly.”

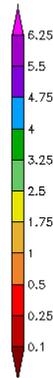
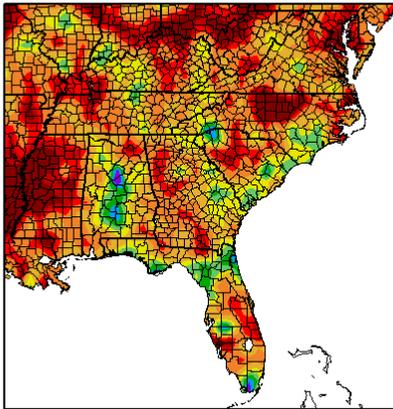
David Wagner, Terrell County, District 70

“Getting hit and miss afternoon showers. White mold showing up in peanut fields this week. Seeing more white flies in cotton. Bermuda stem maggot found in some hay fields. Small amount of corn.”

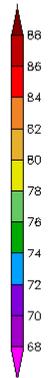
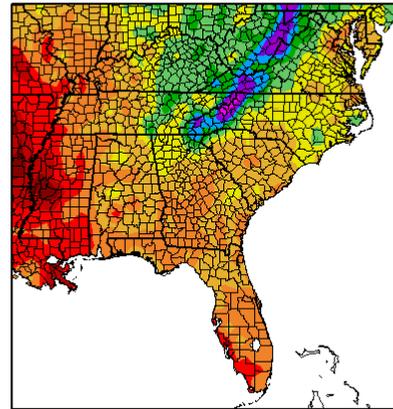
Tucker Price, Cook County, District 80

Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

Precipitation (in)
7/30/2012 - 8/5/2012



Temperature (F)
7/30/2012 - 8/5/2012



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

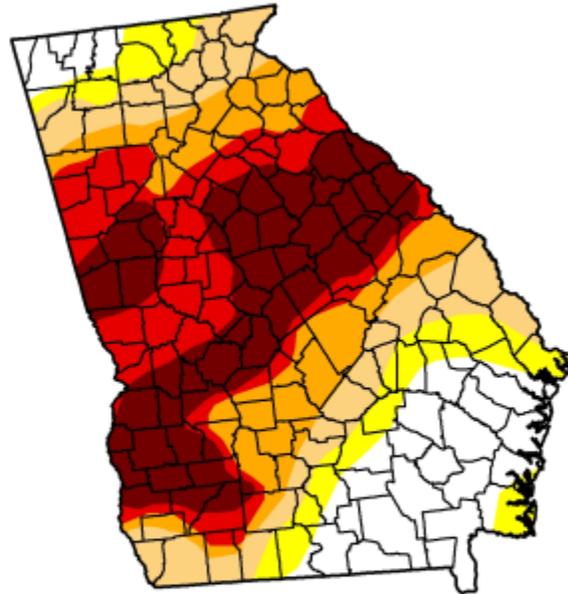
July 31, 2012
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	18.57	81.43	71.38	56.47	40.95	24.57
Last Week (07/24/2012 map)	18.45	81.55	71.38	56.47	40.95	23.43
3 Months Ago (05/01/2012 map)	3.50	96.50	88.56	84.28	70.94	25.85
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 (07/26/2011 map)	4.53	95.47	87.18	78.16	68.38	8.74

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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