



# Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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**General:** According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 19, 2012. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 4% very short, 21% short, 67% adequate, 8% surplus. Subsoil moisture 8% very short, 35% short, 55% adequate, 2% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 2.9 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70's to the low 90's. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 50's to the mid 70's.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Corn – Harvested	49	27	50	30
Cotton – Setting Bolls	99	97	88	94
Cotton – Bolls Opening	12	6	11	11
Hay – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	94	92	83	N/A
Sorghum – Harvested	8	3	8	9
Tobacco – Harvested	67	51	54	58

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Corn	0	7	21	56	16
Cotton	1	7	32	47	13
Peanuts	0	4	27	51	18
Pecans	1	2	37	47	13
Range and Pasture	3	12	39	42	4
Sorghum	3	8	45	39	5
Soybeans	1	8	38	47	6

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

### County Extension Comments

“Good rains over most of county continued last week; hay made; armyworms sprayed in millet, bermuda hay; kudzu bugs and cloverworms in soybeans.”

**Wade Hutcheson, Spalding County, District 40**

“Have been getting light rains daily. This is helping with the drought but lots more moisture is still needed. Armyworms are very bad this year.”

**Lucy Ray, Jasper County, District 50**

“Crops have shown dramatic improvement over the last two weeks, due to recent shower activity.”

**Wade Parker, Jenkins County, District 60**

“Most of Grady has received plenty of rain, however, the northern edge of Grady remains dry.”

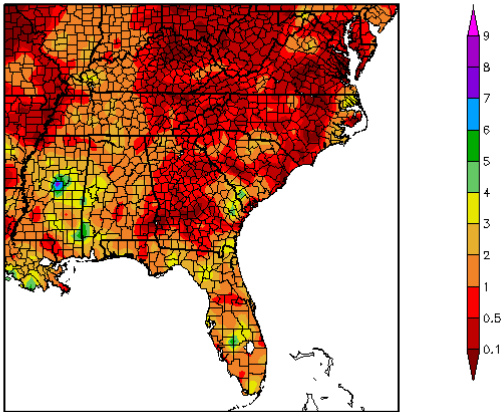
**Don Clark, Grady County, District 70**

“Daily showers has delayed corn harvest. White mold and insects showing up in peanuts. Armyworms and stem borers in pasture and hayfields. Peanut and cotton crop as a whole, looks good to excellent.”

**Mark Von Waldner, Atkinson County, District 80**

# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

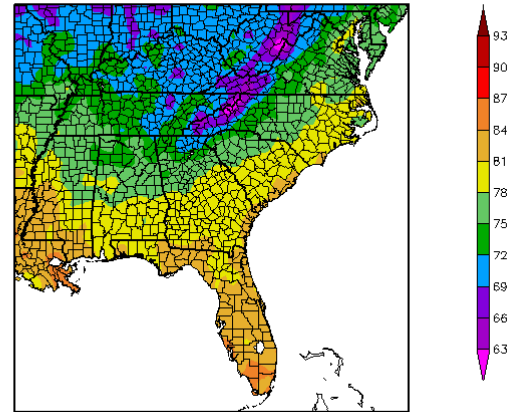
Precipitation (in)  
8/13/2012 - 8/19/2012



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

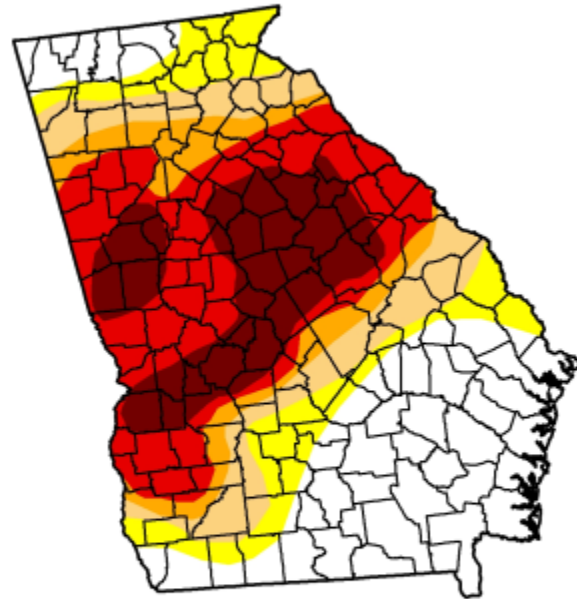
August 14, 2012  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	30.90	69.10	57.36	45.36	37.67	16.98
Last Week (08/07/2012 map)	21.82	78.18	66.64	54.41	40.24	24.23
3 Months Ago (05/15/2012 map)	7.54	92.46	86.05	80.85	69.35	28.44
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 (08/09/2011 map)	0.07	99.93	88.01	80.01	66.29	4.34

**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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