



Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 26, 2012. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 5% very short, 28% short, 61% adequate, 6% surplus. Subsoil moisture 10% very short, 43% short, 43% adequate, 4% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 4.2 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70's to the high 80's. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50's to the low 70's.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Corn – Harvested	66	49	71	47
Cotton – Setting Bolls	100	99	95	98
Cotton – Bolls Opening	22	12	27	20
Hay – 2 nd Cutting	96	94	90	N/A
Peanuts – Dug	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Peanuts – Harvested	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sorghum – Harvested	10	8	11	11
Tobacco – Harvested	75	67	63	68

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Cotton	2	6	26	54	12
Peanuts	1	4	20	56	19
Pecans	1	2	27	53	17
Range and Pasture	1	11	40	42	6
Sorghum	4	8	40	42	6
Soybeans	1	7	34	47	11

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

County Extension Comments

"Waiting on rain from the tropical storm. Should get some this week."

Greg Bowman, Gordon County, District 10

"Corn harvest starting to finish up. Starting to do peanut maturity checks. Soybeans looking good."

Jeremy Kichler, Macon County, District 40

"Haying continues, some peanuts approaching maturity, corn harvesting dodging afternoon showers."

Raymond Joyce, Laurens County, District 50

"Maybe extreme north Grady County will get some rain this week with the storm on Tuesday and Wednesday. We just hope we don't get any damaging winds."

Don Clark, Grady County, District 70

"Finding lots of stemphylium in cotton due to low potassium. Finding some target spot on cotton. Some growers are spraying fungicide along with foliar fertilizer. Some fields of peanuts are getting leafspot outbreaks, some whitemold and found one field with CBR in Coffee County. A fair amount of corn needs to be harvested but been too wet and rainy. Issac has everyone worried."

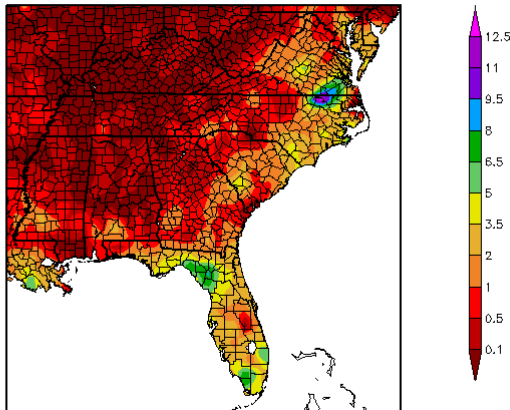
Mark Von Waldner, Atkinson County, District 80

"Frequent showers causing some problems with leaf spot diseases in cotton."

Brian Tankersley, Tift County, District 80

Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

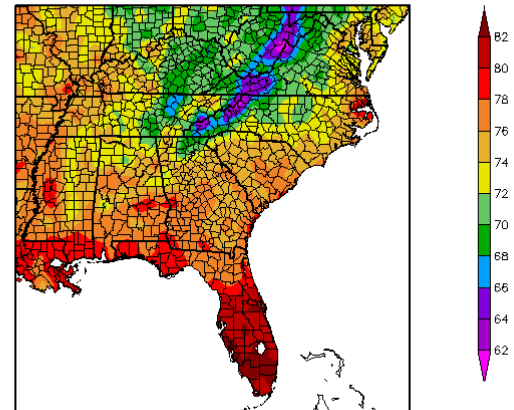
Precipitation (in)
8/20/2012 - 8/26/2012



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Temperature (F)
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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

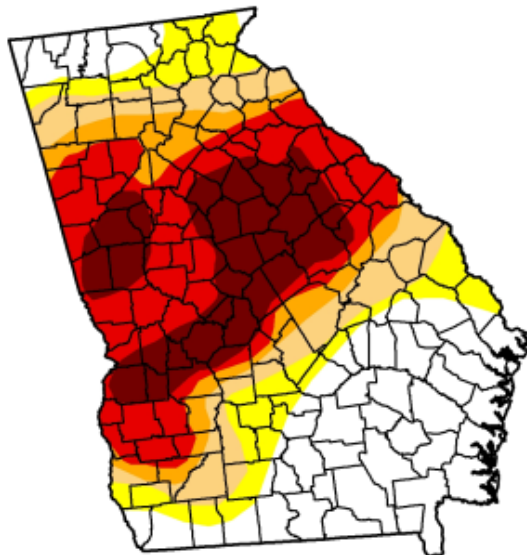
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	31.03	68.97	57.36	45.36	37.67	16.98
Last Week (08/14/2012 map)	30.90	69.10	57.36	45.36	37.67	16.98
3 Months Ago (05/22/2012 map)	7.54	92.46	86.05	79.30	67.95	28.31
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 (08/16/2011 map)	0.07	99.93	88.01	79.91	51.32	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://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>



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NASS is currently conducting our annual September surveys on crops and livestock. In the first two weeks of September, NASS is surveying U.S. small grains growers for final production. We are also asking hog producers about their summer pig crop, next year's farrowing intentions, and current inventory. The responses will provide the foundation for 2012 production estimates. All participating farmers should respond. Your information matters!