



# Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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**General:** According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 16, 2012. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 5% very short, 32% short, 59% adequate, 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture 11% very short, 39% short, 47% adequate, 3% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.7 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70's to the high 80's. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50's to the low 70's.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Corn – Harvested	91	82	95	86
Cotton – Bolls Opening	67	48	72	58
Cotton – Harvested	3	0	3	2
Hay – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cutting	57	41	N/A	N/A
Oats – Planted	2	N/A	1	N/A
Peanuts – Dug	14	5	7	6
Peanuts – Harvested	8	3	2	2
Rye – Planted	2	N/A	2	2
Sorghum – Harvested	26	24	26	23
Tobacco – Harvested	90	88	89	91
Winter Wheat – Planted	1	N/A	1	N/A

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Cotton	2	9	30	47	12
Peanuts	0	4	21	55	20
Pecans	1	2	32	51	14
Range and Pasture	1	13	36	45	5
Sorghum	3	6	43	40	8
Soybeans	1	6	31	49	13

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

## County Extension Comments

“Peanuts begin dug and harvested; corn harvesting getting close to end; soybeans being sprayed for stinkbugs and loopers; cotton opening up nicely.”

**Raymond Joyce, Laurens County, District 50**

“This week the weather was cooler and drier allowing more hay harvest. Fall Armyworms continue to be a major pest.”

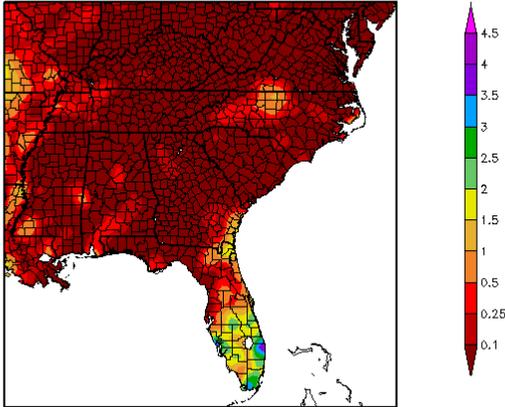
**John Pope, Monroe County, District 50**

“Fields still wet and soggy. Picking corn were possible. Peanuts need digging but too wet. A few fields being dug. Cotton close to defoliation. Wrapping up tobacco harvest. Peanut yield potential looks good, cotton yields look less than anticipated due to rain and corn is good to excellent yields.”

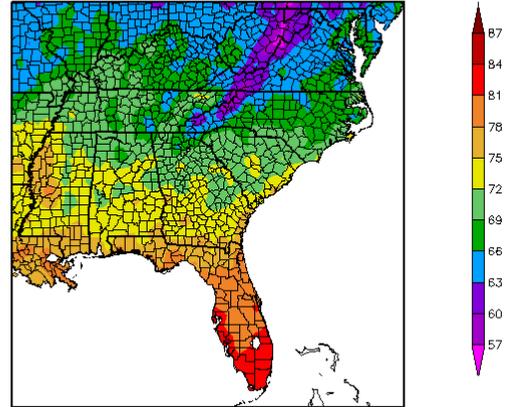
**Mark Von Waldner, Atkinson County, District 80**

# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

Precipitation (in)  
9/10/2012 - 9/16/2012



Temperature (F)  
9/10/2012 - 9/16/2012



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

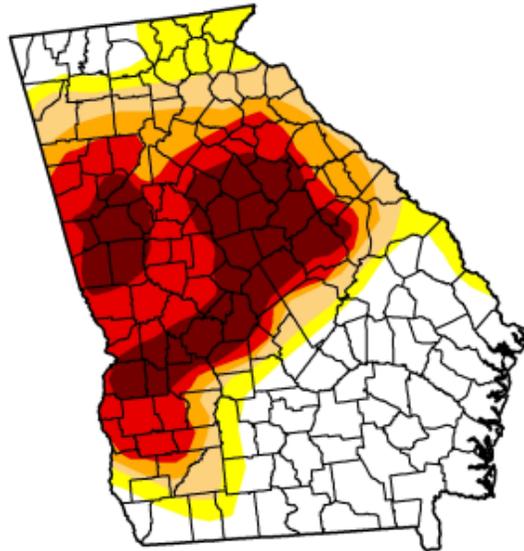
September 11, 2012  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	37.30	62.70	52.44	42.66	33.74	16.88
Last Week (09/04/2012 map)	38.07	61.93	52.44	42.66	33.74	16.88
3 Months Ago (06/12/2012 map)	11.48	88.52	78.80	65.41	26.37	13.21
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 (09/06/2011 map)	5.35	94.65	91.23	86.43	80.42	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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David Simeral, Western Regional Climate Center

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!