



# 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, September 30, 2012. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 7% very short, 35% short, 54% adequate, 4% surplus. Subsoil moisture 9% very short, 42% short, 46% adequate, 3% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70's to the high 80's. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 40's to the high 60's.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Corn – Harvested	96	94	100	96
Cotton – Bolls Opening	85	78	85	78
Cotton – Harvested	9	4	9	7
Hay – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cutting	76	71	37	N/A
Oats – Planted	12	5	8	9
Peanuts – Dug	37	20	28	23
Peanuts – Harvested	26	12	16	12
Pecans – Harvested	3	1	2	1
Rye – Planted	11	6	10	12
Sorghum – Harvested	37	27	30	31
Soybeans – Harvested	3	1	2	1
Tobacco – Harvested	100	95	96	98
Winter Wheat – Planted	3	1	5	3

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Cotton	3	10	35	40	12
Peanuts	0	4	15	54	27
Pecans	0	2	30	52	16
Range and Pasture	1	11	44	41	3
Sorghum	3	6	40	43	8
Soybeans	1	7	35	50	7

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

## County Extension Comments

“Some started a third cutting just in time for rain; soybean leaves beginning to yellow; temporary grazing grains beginning to be planted; some planted early and promptly had it consumed by armyworms which were still around in heavy numbers in spots.”

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

“Still very dry. Need rain to start getting ready for fall planting.”

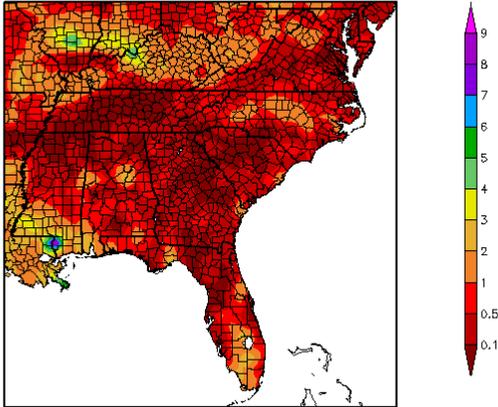
**Bobby Smith, Morgan County, District 50**

“Digging and harvesting peanuts due to great weather. Defoliation of cotton is in full swing and beginning to pick some. Due to excessive rainfall few weeks back we are still trying to get peanuts dug and corn picked. Farmers are worried about predicted rainfall next week that will affect harvest. Most are digging full steam ahead before the front. In general crop yields look good.”

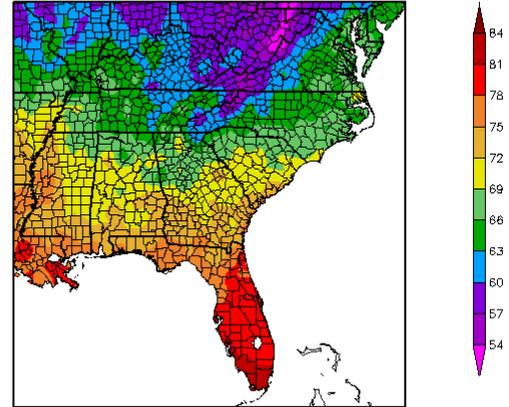
**Mark Von Waldner, Atkinson County, District 80**

# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

Precipitation (in)  
9/24/2012 - 9/30/2012



Temperature (F)  
9/24/2012 - 9/30/2012



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

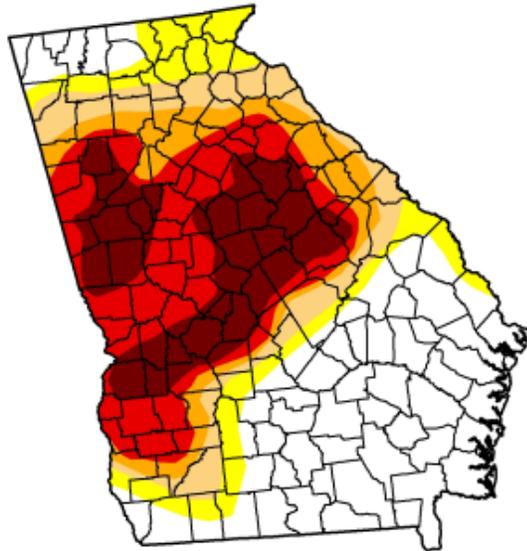
September 25, 2012  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	37.30	62.70	52.44	42.66	34.04	17.18
Last Week (09/18/2012 map)	37.30	62.70	52.44	42.66	33.74	16.14
3 Months Ago (06/26/2012 map)	13.91	86.09	67.20	54.97	31.72	19.98
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 (09/20/2011 map)	5.35	94.65	91.22	86.43	79.48	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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