



Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, March 17, 2013. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 0% very short, 2% short, 78% adequate, 20% surplus. Subsoil moisture 0% very short, 9% short, 76% adequate, 15% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 2.1 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 50's to the mid 70's. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 30's to the mid 60's.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2012	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Blueberries – Blooming	83	N/A	96	N/A
Corn – Planted	5	N/A	18	13

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Blueberries	0	8	17	75	0
Oats	6	6	23	63	2
Onions	0	0	67	33	0
Peaches	0	0	3	17	80
Range and Pasture	1	5	44	41	9
Rye	0	0	36	60	4
Winter Wheat	1	2	30	55	12

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

County Extension Comments

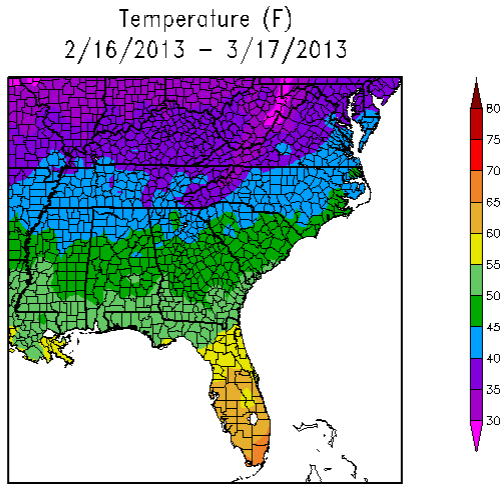
“Fields still wet from February rains; corn planting delayed; growers still trying to get out nitrogen on small grains”

Raymond Joyce, Laurens County, District 50

“The year has started off with great rain events and mild temperatures; winter crops of rye and wheat should be maximized due to these conditions.”

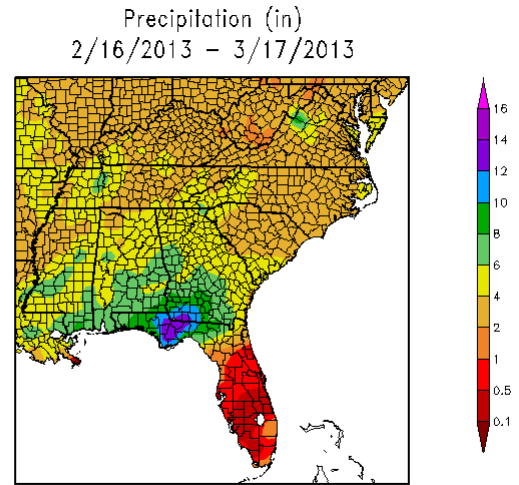
Tripp Williams, Columbia County, District 60

Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

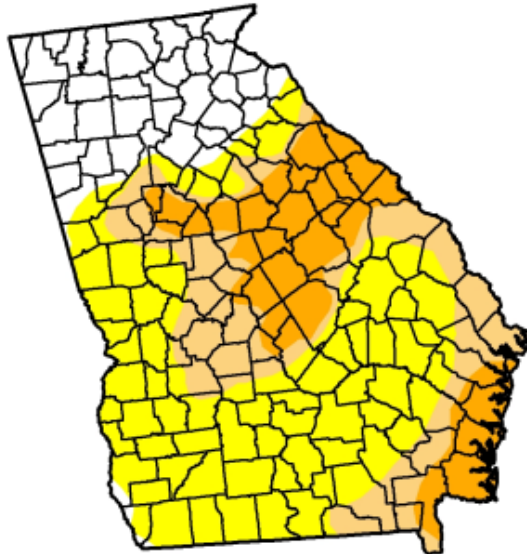
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	19.54	80.46	36.41	17.64	0.00	0.00
Last Week (03/05/2013 map)	17.36	82.64	40.37	18.29	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (12/11/2012 map)	3.24	96.76	88.18	69.31	38.48	13.53
Start of Calendar Year (01/01/2013 map)	1.63	98.37	89.49	64.87	36.96	10.25
Start of Water Year (09/25/2012 map)	37.30	62.70	52.44	42.66	34.04	17.18
One Year Ago (03/06/2012 map)	12.49	87.51	83.12	77.48	57.16	5.57

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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