



# Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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**General:** According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 12, 2013. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 5% short, 76% adequate, 19% surplus. Subsoil moisture 4% short, 83% adequate, 13% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the upper 60s to the low 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 40s to the lower 60s.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2012	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Blueberries – Harvested	26	12	35	N/A
Cotton – Planted	23	17	42	34
Hay – 1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting	23	18	54	N/A
Oats – Harvested	8	6	34	N/A
Onions – Harvested	45	27	75	54
Peanuts – Planted	18	10	49	28
Rye – Harvested	5	4	32	N/A
Sorghum – Planted	12	7	24	24
Soybeans – Planted	6	3	18	15
Winter Wheat – Harvested	5	3	27	N/A

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Blueberries	0	17	34	38	11
Corn	1	4	25	61	9
Oats	2	2	31	57	8
Onions	0	0	44	51	5
Peaches	10	1	26	9	54
Range and Pasture	0	2	19	64	15
Rye	0	1	26	62	11
Tobacco	0	0	15	74	11
Watermelons	1	4	45	45	5
Winter Wheat	0	4	26	55	15

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

## County Extension Comments

“Heavy rainfall last weekend has caused a lot of water standing since the soil was already very wet before it started raining. Wet soil/water in fields has slowed a lot of the normal spring corn planting and hay harvest.”

**Norman Edwards, Walker County, District 10**

“Recent excessive rainfall has left our soils near full saturation.”

**Clark MacAllister, Dawson County, District 20**

“Corn stands showed some yellowing. Wheat stands have improved slightly. Ryegrass hay harvest was under way with some losses due to exposure to heavy rain after being cut.”

**Keith Fielder, Putnam County, District 50**

“We will begin harvesting small grains this week. Farmers in Grady County are also planting cotton and peanuts.”

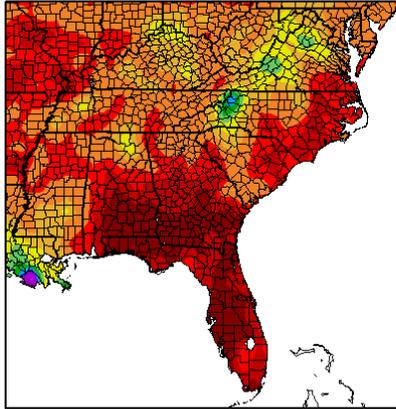
**Don Clark, Grady County, District 70**

“Received 1.5 more inches of rain last weekend, but we have been able to get back in fields.”

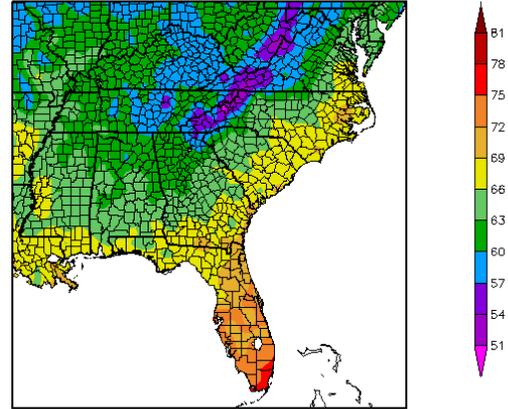
**Ronnie Barentine, Dooly County, District 80**

# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

Precipitation (in)  
5/6/2013 - 5/12/2013



Temperature (F)  
5/6/2013 - 5/12/2013



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

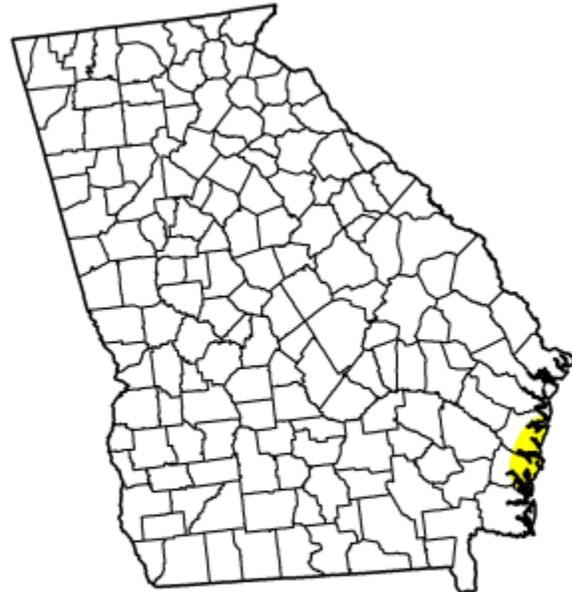
May 7, 2013  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	99.25	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week (04/30/2013 map)	95.58	4.42	1.38	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (02/05/2013 map)	13.03	86.97	82.89	79.05	46.85	11.99
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 (05/01/2012 map)	3.50	96.50	88.56	84.28	70.94	25.85

**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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