



# Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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**General:** According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 19, 2013. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 1% very short, 18% short, 64% adequate, 17% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 7% short, 81% adequate, 11% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 3.7 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the upper 40s to the lower 60s.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2012	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Blueberries – Harvested	45	26	42	N/A
Cotton – Planted	46	23	60	52
Hay – 1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting	43	23	65	N/A
Oats – Harvested	10	8	50	N/A
Onions – Harvested	73	45	86	71
Peaches - Harvested	10	0	26	10
Peanuts – Planted	45	18	67	49
Rye – Harvested	8	5	42	N/A
Sorghum – Planted	16	12	35	31
Soybeans – Planted	14	6	30	26
Winter Wheat – Harvested	10	5	42	15

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Blueberries	0	16	48	28	8
Corn	0	3	24	63	10
Oats	1	2	26	64	7
Peaches	15	5	30	20	30
Range and Pasture	0	2	27	54	17
Rye	0	1	24	65	10
Tobacco	0	3	12	73	12
Watermelons	0	3	39	53	5
Winter Wheat	0	2	24	58	16

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

## County Extension Comments

“More excess precipitation has caused corn planting to be interrupted and has disrupted hay cutting. Excess leaf moisture and warm temperatures should continue to increase disease pressure in the grape vineyards.”

**Clark MacAllister, Lumpkin County, District 20**

“County received some good rain over the weekend. Cotton and peanut planting has started. Some soybeans were going in the ground and corn was growing at a rapid pace.”

**Jeremy Kichler, Macon County, District 40**

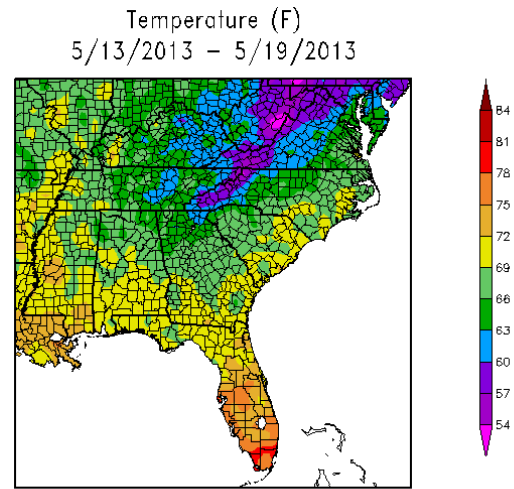
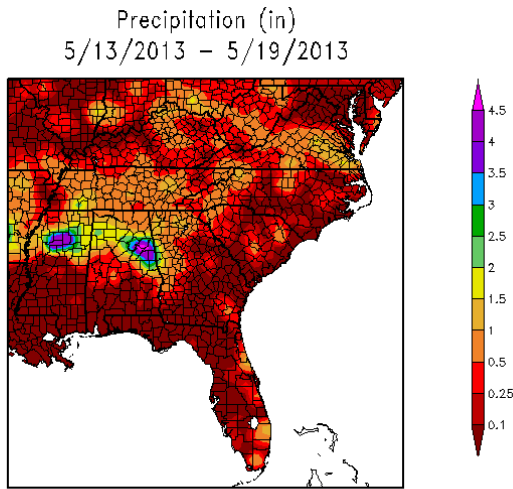
“Farmers have made good progress planting cotton, peanuts, and grain sorghum. Also, soybean planting began this week. Some fields were beginning to run out of moisture and farmers had to plant deeper or in irrigated fields run systems.”

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

“Farmers were planting cotton and peanuts full steam ahead. Side dressing nitrogen and irrigation of corn. Some corn had problems growing due to variety, nematodes and nutritional and weather related problems. Most tobacco crops looked good. A few soybeans will be planted. Farmers continued to cut hay and prepare soil for planting. Finally, we were getting some much needed sunny and warm weather.”

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

# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

May 14, 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 (05/07/2013 map)	99.25	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (02/12/2013 map)	13.71	86.29	81.85	70.01	32.07	0.00
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 (05/08/2012 map)	3.51	96.49	88.24	83.05	70.89	25.81

**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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<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>

### Alert! The window to respond to the Census of Agriculture is almost closed!

There are only a few weeks left to complete and return the 2012 Census of Agriculture. Because time is running out, NASS may contact you or farmers in your area by phone or in person to collect information for the Census. **Help ensure you and your industry have the most complete set of agricultural statistics available for your country and county.** For more information or for help filling out your Census form, visit [www.agcensus.usda.gov](http://www.agcensus.usda.gov) or call (888) 424-7828.