General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service’s Georgia Field Office, there were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 23, 2013. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 11% short, 75% adequate, 14% surplus. Subsoil moisture 12% short, 75% adequate, 13% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 4.1 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the low 70s.

County Extension Comments

“We’ve been getting calls and samples about scab disease on wheat the last couple of weeks due to all the rain.”

Paul Pugliese, Bartow County, District 10

“We are well into wheat harvest. All of the corn seems to be in the ground and preparing equipment for planting soybeans seems to be under way. There is some hay in the county that has not been cut for the first time yet, because it has been so wet and the farmers are now in wheat harvest mode. By the time these fields are cut, the bales will most likely be mulch.”

Trey Gafnea, Meriwether County, District 40

“Rains continued. Small grain harvest continues in between rains. Excellent wheat yields. All other crops looking great! Weed control is the biggest issue with all the rain.”

John H. Pope, Monroe County, District 50

“We have missed rain in 85% of Grady County this past week. Getting extremely dry in most areas. All crops were planted 2-3 weeks later than normal this year. Farmers are busy with weed control efforts and protecting crops from disease and insects.”

Don Clark, Grady County, District 70
Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature

U.S. Drought Monitor
Georgia

June 18, 2013
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Current</th>
<th>None</th>
<th>D0-D4</th>
<th>D1-D4</th>
<th>D2-D4</th>
<th>D3-D4</th>
<th>D4</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>96.58</td>
<td>3.42</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Last Week
98.57
(05/11/2013 map)

3 Months Ago
20.72
(03/19/2013 map)

Start of Calendar Year
1.63
(01/01/2013 map)

Start of Water Year
37.30
(09/25/2012 map)

One Year Ago
11.48
(09/25/2012 map)

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

http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/