



# Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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**General:** According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 2.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 14, 2013. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 1% short, 33% adequate, 66% surplus. Subsoil moisture 2% short, 53% adequate, 45% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 6.2 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the low 70s.

Crop Progress				
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2012	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Blueberries – Harvested	94	88	100	N/A
Cotton – Squaring	68	51	90	80
Cotton – Setting Bolls	20	11	57	40
Hay – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	33	32	47	N/A
Peaches - Harvested	79	71	94	75
Peanuts – Blooming	79	66	91	86
Peanuts – Pegging	47	30	71	59
Sorghum – Planted	85	81	95	89
Soybeans – Planted	87	83	95	98
Tobacco – Harvested	21	16	21	14
Watermelons – Harvested	72	56	92	87
Winter Wheat – Harvested	93	92	100	100

Crop Condition					
Crop	VP	P	F	G	EX
	Percent				
Corn	1	3	20	56	20
Cotton	0	6	31	48	15
Peanuts	0	5	29	52	14
Range and Pasture	0	1	23	47	29
Sorghum	1	3	28	63	5
Soybeans	1	4	29	58	8
Tobacco	13	13	23	44	7
Watermelons	4	14	30	46	6

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

## County Extension Comments

“We are about double on rainfall compared to last year. The rain is becoming very troublesome. Hay production is in a tough situation. Our commercial vegetable producers are way behind.”

**Greg Bowman, Gordon County, District 10**

“Rains continued. Fields are very wet. Weed, insect and disease control being hampered by rainfall and wet fields. Soybeans behind wheat still delayed.”

**Raymond Joyce, Laurens County, District 50**

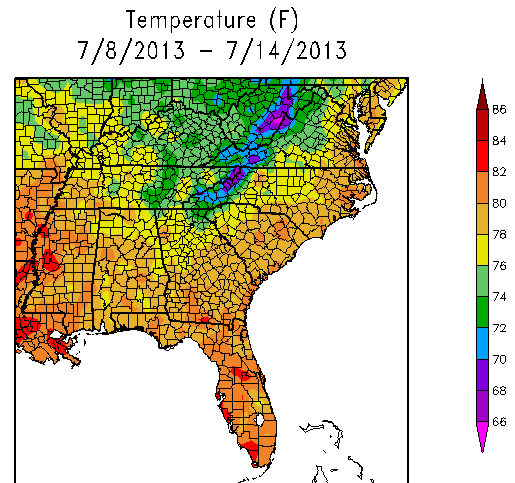
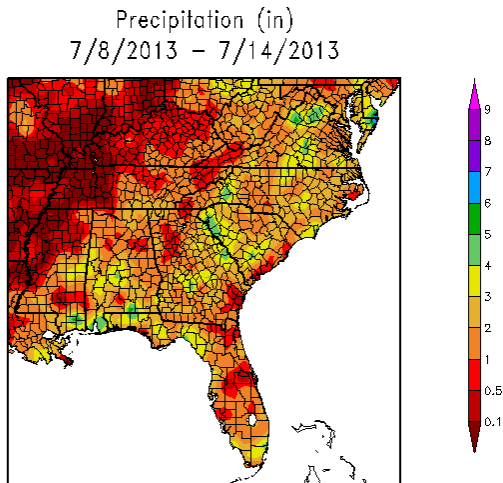
“Rain everyday has limited the amount of field work that can be done. Growers are taking every chance they get to apply fungicides but are still getting behind due to the rain.”

**Nick McGhee, Terrell County, District 70**

“Excessive rainfall is delaying chemical and fertilizer applications to crops. Excessive soil erosion and wet soils were reported. Most growers were using airplanes to apply pesticides. Tobacco crop hurt by excess rainfall but the corn crop is almost made and is benefitting from it. Disease pressure will be our main concern once it dries out.”

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

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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

July 9, 2013  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week (07/02/2013 map)	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (04/09/2013 map)	80.76	19.24	3.78	0.00	0.00	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 (07/03/2012 map)	13.82	86.18	74.86	59.14	37.24	19.98

**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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