



# 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, August 4, 2013. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 4% short, 69% adequate, 27% surplus. Subsoil moisture 1% very short, 2% short, 70% adequate, 27% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 6.8 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

| Crop Progress                 |           |           |      |          |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------|----------|
| Crop                          | This Week | Last Week | 2012 | 5-Yr Avg |
| Percent                       |           |           |      |          |
| Corn – Harvested              | 6         | N/A       | N/A  | N/A      |
| Cotton – Squaring             | 87        | 84        | 98   | 95       |
| Cotton – Setting Bolls        | 60        | 49        | 87   | 78       |
| Hay – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting | 60        | 50        | 87   | N/A      |
| Peaches – Harvested           | 95        | 87        | 100  | 95       |
| Peanuts – Blooming            | 94        | 92        | 100  | 99       |
| Peanuts – Pegging             | 83        | 72        | 92   | 90       |
| Sorghum – Planted             | 96        | 93        | 100  | 99       |
| Soybeans – Planted            | 94        | 92        | 100  | 100      |
| Tobacco – Harvested           | 48        | 28        | 40   | 37       |
| Watermelons – Harvested       | 90        | 85        | 100  | 99       |

| Crop Condition    |    |    |    |    |    |
|-------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Crop              | VP | P  | F  | G  | EX |
| Percent           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Corn              | 1  | 5  | 24 | 55 | 15 |
| Cotton            | 3  | 12 | 33 | 41 | 11 |
| Peanuts           | 1  | 5  | 31 | 47 | 16 |
| Pecans            | 0  | 3  | 38 | 44 | 15 |
| Range and Pasture | 0  | 2  | 24 | 50 | 24 |
| Sorghum           | 0  | 4  | 32 | 58 | 6  |
| Soybeans          | 2  | 6  | 33 | 50 | 9  |
| Tobacco           | 20 | 13 | 27 | 37 | 3  |

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

## County Extension Comments

“A relatively dry week had everyone with a hayfield out cutting hay. The quality will likely not be very good since most of it is at least 2-3 weeks past ideal maturity. Soybeans are doing well right now aside from some insect pressures. Some early fields are also blooming.”

**Adam Speir, Madison County, District 30**

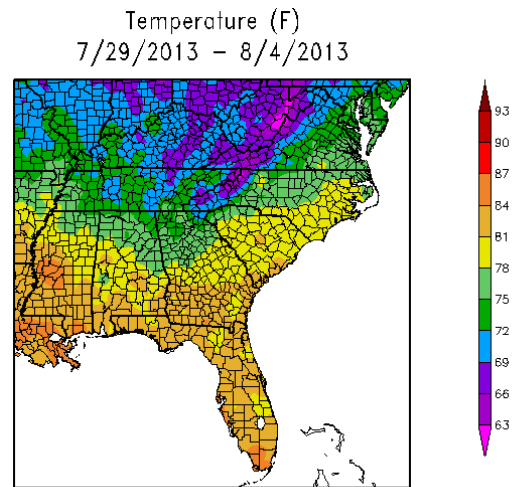
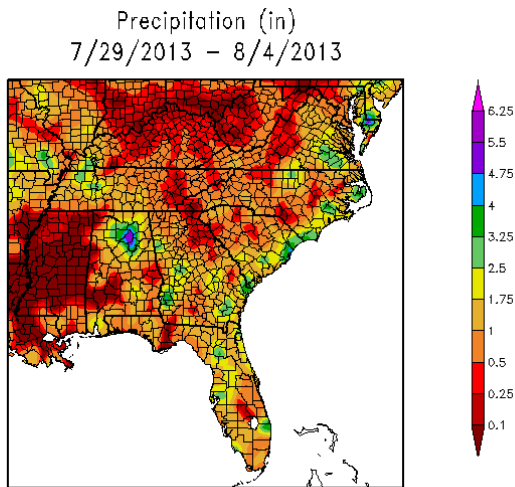
“Sunny and ninety this past week with less than a quarter inch of rain. Watermelon fields are being harvested and the quality is great. Other agricultural fields are drying out and we need more dry weather. If not, some fields will be too wet to enter and crops will be lost.”

**Tripp Williams, Columbia County, District 60**

“Dryer soils have farmers busy in the fields playing catch up and trying to push drowned cotton to make. Peanuts look ok and corn ok but cotton has suffered due to all this excess rainfall. It was hard to make quality hay with excess rainfall and daily showers. Soybeans look good to fair. We need heat units and dryer weather in order to make a good crop at harvest time.”

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

# Southeastern U.S. Precipitation & Average Temperature



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## U.S. Drought Monitor

July 30, 2013  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

### Georgia

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<br>(07/23/2013 map)                 | 100.00 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| 3 Months Ago<br>(04/30/2013 map)              | 95.58  | 4.42  | 1.38  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| Start of<br>Calendar Year<br>(01/01/2013 map) | 1.63   | 98.37 | 89.49 | 64.87 | 36.96 | 10.25 |
| Start of<br>Water Year<br>(09/25/2012 map)    | 37.30  | 62.70 | 52.44 | 42.66 | 34.04 | 17.18 |
| One Year Ago<br>(07/24/2012 map)              | 18.45  | 81.55 | 71.38 | 56.47 | 40.95 | 23.43 |

**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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