



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
**Georgia Crop Progress
and 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, September 14, 2014. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 2.9 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the mid 70s.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/14/14

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Harvested.....	93	87	81	86
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	71	56	37	56
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	74	63	NA	NA
Peanuts - Dug.....	5	2	4	6
Peanuts - Harvested.....	2	NA	1	2
Sorghum - Harvested.....	41	30	25	21
Tobacco - Harvested.....	82	79	95	91

County Extension Comments

“Most of the county received an inch of rain last week which was desperately needed. Group 4 soybeans are being harvested now but most other beans are still a few weeks out. Hayfields needed the rain and we are hoping we can squeak out a final Bermuda hay harvest.”

Crop Condition for Week Ending 09/14/14

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cotton	3	14	29	45	9
Pasture and range.....	2	12	44	38	4
Peanuts.....	4	15	31	41	9
Sorghum	1	6	42	47	4
Soybeans.....	3	8	33	50	6

Rober Speir, Madison County, District 30

“Having issues with soybeans maturing from lack of rain. Some scattered storms this weekend.”

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/14/14

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	5	9	15
Short.....	29	37	35
Adequate.....	62	50	46
Surplus.....	4	4	4

Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	7	13	NA
Short.....	34	36	NA
Adequate.....	58	49	NA
Surplus.....	1	2	NA

Trae Gafney, Meriwether County, District 40

“Heavy populations of fall armyworm in bermudagrass and fall webworm in pecans.”

Jule-Lynn Macie, Rockdale County, District 50

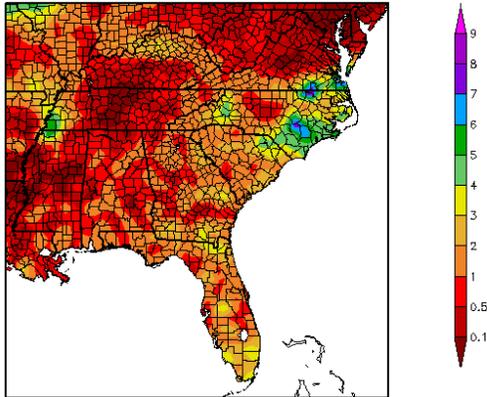
“Some dryland peanuts have been dug. Cotton is being defoliated, and some early planted cotton is beginning to be picked.”

Ben Shirley, Brooks County, District 80

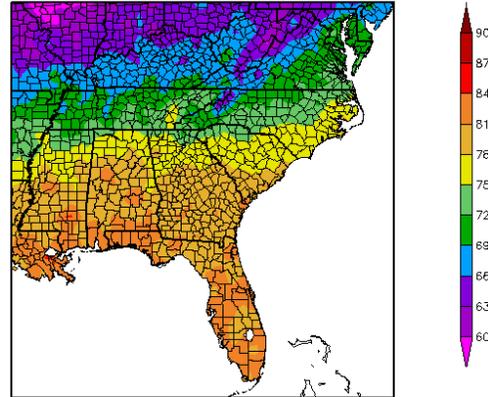
“Recent rainfall has helped with pastures and several crops. Most cotton was too far gone and too late to make a turn for the better but it has helped soybeans and peanuts.”

Josh Gravitt, Turner County, District 80

Precipitation (in)
9/8/2014 - 9/14/2014



Temperature (F)
9/8/2014 - 9/14/2014



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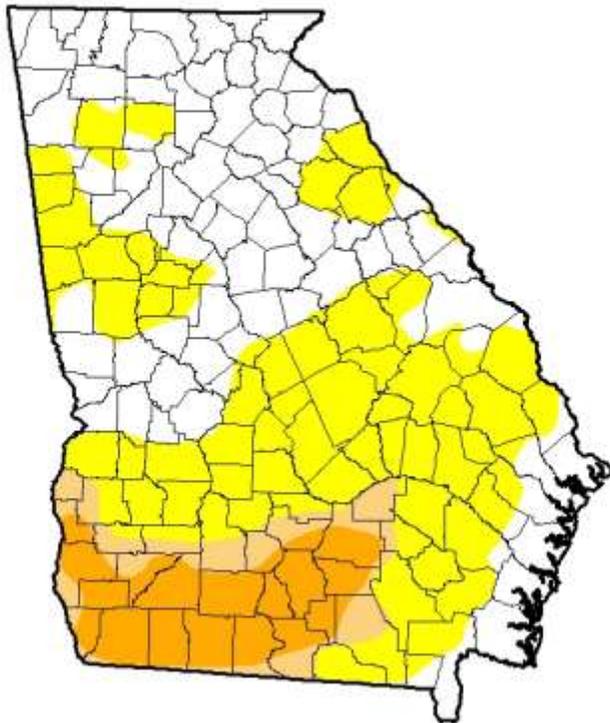
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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	41.97	58.03	16.57	10.55	0.00	0.00
Last Week 9/2/2014	26.54	73.46	25.03	11.35	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 6/10/2014	98.75	1.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 1/5/2013	92.36	7.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 10/1/2012	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 9/10/2013	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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