



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, April 5, 2015. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.1 inches of rain up to 1.5 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the high 50s.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/05/15

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Blueberries - Blooming...	57	NA	88	NA
Corn - Planted.....	36	NA	55	59
Peaches - Blooming.....	49	NA	97	95
Sorghum - Planted.....	1	NA	9	4
Tobacco - Transplanted..	2	NA	2	20

County Extension Comments

“Soil temps still too low to plant corn. Wet, need a few dry days.”

Keith Mickler, Floyd County, District 10

“Warmer weather and rain has jump started pastures the last two weeks.”

Paula Burke, Carroll County, District 40

“Late freeze caused severe damage to Southern Highbush blueberries.”

Pam Sapp, Jefferson County, District 60

“A large portion of field corn has been planted. Most of the sweet corn has been planted. Land is being worked for peanuts and cotton. The wheat crop is heading out. With rust already in the county, wheat will need to be sprayed for protection.”

Andy Shirley, Mitchell County, District 70

“We have finally dried down enough to start planting corn heavy last week. Wheat is heading now and looks good. No rust seen. Growers have sprayed for rust.”

Andrew Sawyer, Thomas County, District 70

Crop Condition for Week Ending 04/05/15

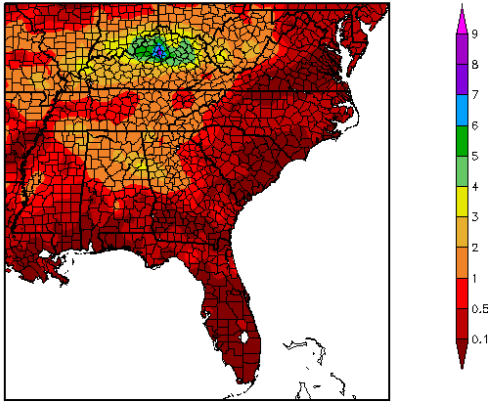
Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Blueberries.....	2	5	26	54	13
Cattle	0	4	29	57	10
Oats	1	4	34	57	4
Onions	0	5	23	67	5
Pasture and range.....	1	10	37	42	10
Peaches.....	0	0	3	93	4
Rye	0	7	46	43	4
Winter Wheat.....	0	4	43	45	8

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/05/15

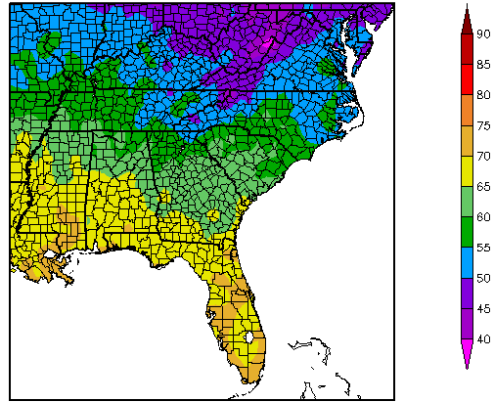
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	2	NA	2
Short.....	16	NA	13
Adequate.....	75	NA	66
Surplus.....	7	NA	19

Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	2	NA	NA
Short.....	12	NA	NA
Adequate.....	78	NA	NA
Surplus.....	8	NA	NA

Precipitation (in)
3/30/2015 - 4/5/2015



Temperature (F)
3/30/2015 - 4/5/2015



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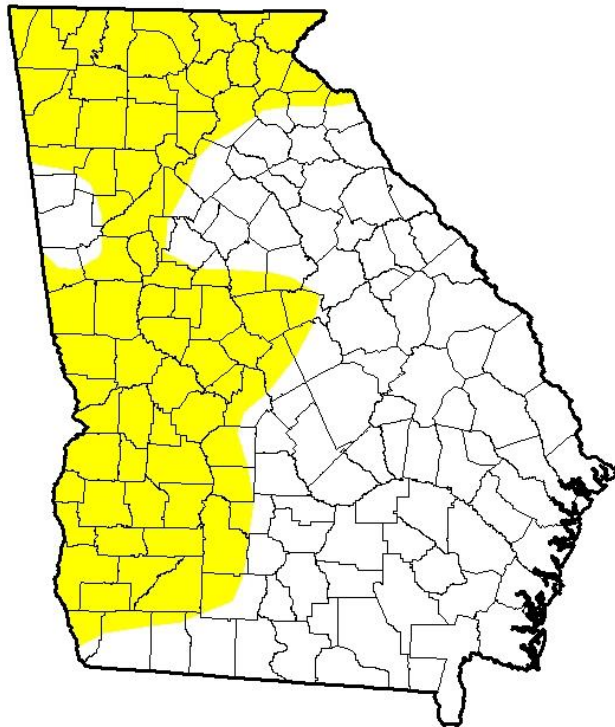
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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	58.28	41.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 3/24/2015	88.25	11.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 12/30/2014	94.23	5.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12/30/2014	94.23	5.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/30/2014	41.99	58.01	15.39	4.76	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 4/1/2014	83.72	16.28	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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