



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 12, 2015. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.1 inches of rain up to 2.2 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the high 60s.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/12/15**

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Blueberries - Blooming...	82	57	93	NA
Corn - Planted.....	67	36	74	76
Peaches - Blooming.....	80	49	98	98
Sorghum - Planted.....	11	1	14	7
Tobacco - Transplanted..	14	2	12	33

**County Extension Comments**

“Trace amounts of rain last week. Bermuda grass seems to be greening up early.”

**Brenda Jackson, Murray County, District 10**

“Regular rainfall is making it tough to prep fields. Planting will begin for most crops within two weeks.”

**Nathan Eason, White County, District 20**

“Topsoil moisture levels are dropping quickly. We have had only hit and miss showers this week. This allowed for most to finish corn planting and some to begin getting fields ready for peanut planting. Warm weather is causing winter annual grazing to mature quickly.”

**Peyton Sapp, Burke County, District 60**

“Rain delaying field work and planting.”

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

“Growers have begun to set out tobacco transplants this week. Vidalia onion harvest has begun as well.”

**Chris Tyson, Tattnall County, District 90**

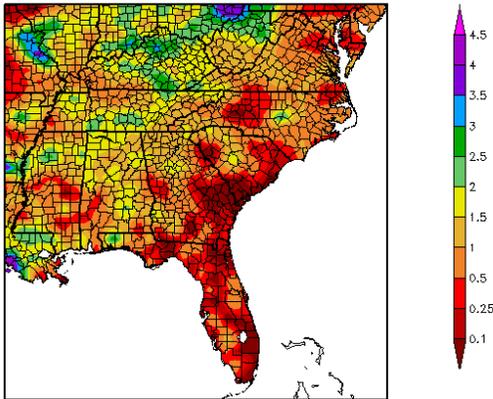
**Crop Condition for Week Ending 04/12/15**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Blueberries.....	2	5	27	50	16
Cattle.....	0	3	28	59	10
Oats.....	1	4	33	58	4
Onions.....	0	3	23	60	14
Pasture and range.....	1	6	36	47	10
Peaches.....	0	0	3	93	4
Rye.....	1	7	43	44	5
Winter Wheat.....	0	3	40	49	8

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/12/15**

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	2	2	3
Short.....	17	16	16
Adequate.....	67	75	67
Surplus.....	14	7	14
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	2	2	NA
Short.....	13	12	NA
Adequate.....	76	78	NA
Surplus.....	9	8	NA

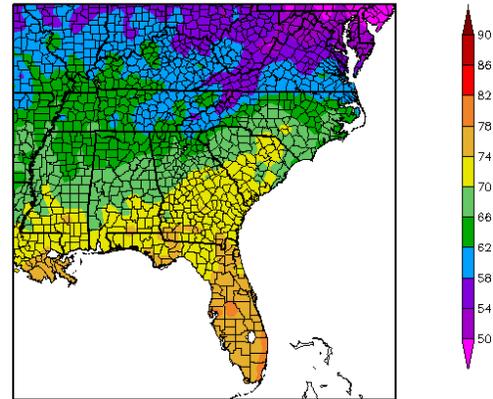
Precipitation (in)  
4/6/2015 - 4/12/2015



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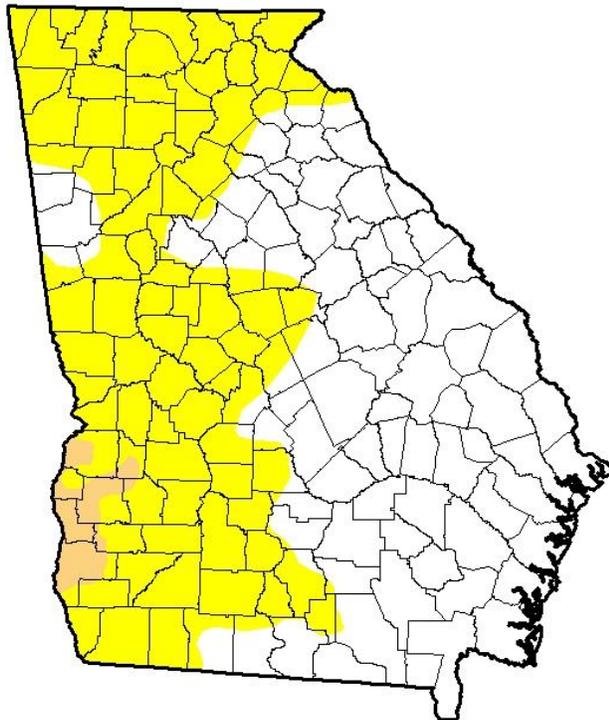
Temperature (F)  
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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



**April 7, 2015**  
(Released Thursday, Apr. 9, 2015)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	51.17	48.83	2.27	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 3/31/2015	58.28	41.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 1/6/2015	95.16	4.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12/30/2014	94.23	5.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 9/30/2014	41.99	58.01	15.39	4.76	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 4/9/2014	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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