



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 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 10, 2015. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 0.7 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the low 60s.

**County Extension Comments**

“Ten days, no rainfall. Could use some rain to wet the topsoil. We have gone from one extreme to the other in less than two weeks.”

**Keith Mickler, Floyd County, District 10**

“Sunny, dry conditions allowed folks to finish up most of their ryegrass cutting and get early soybeans planted. Another week of this will lead to hay cutting finishing and dry conditions for Bermuda grass pastures and hay.”

**Robert Speir, Madison County, District 30**

“Substantial Fusarium fungi outbreak has occurred in wheat. All fields contain varying levels of infestation.”

**Mark Bailey, Macon County, District 40**

“Drier conditions have allowed growers to start planting again but the soil moisture is quickly becoming too low in some dryland situations. Corn seems to be progressing well. Wheat crop has significant amounts of disease in the crop and some has lodged due to high winds.”

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

“Favorable weather is great for planting peanuts and cotton and cutting hay. Some irrigation of corn. Blueberry picking underway and looking good to fair. No major issues at this time.”

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

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/10/15**

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries - Harvested.....	24	9	11	NA
Corn - Planted.....	95	91	96	98
Cotton - Planted.....	19	7	22	27
Hay - 1st Cutting.....	58	29	37	NA
Oats - Harvested.....	1	NA	10	NA
Onions - Harvested.....	46	31	57	52
Peanuts - Planted.....	28	10	28	24
Rye - Harvested.....	2	NA	6	NA
Sorghum - Planted.....	32	26	43	23
Soybeans - Planted.....	16	5	10	10
Winter Wheat - Harvested..	2	NA	7	6

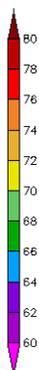
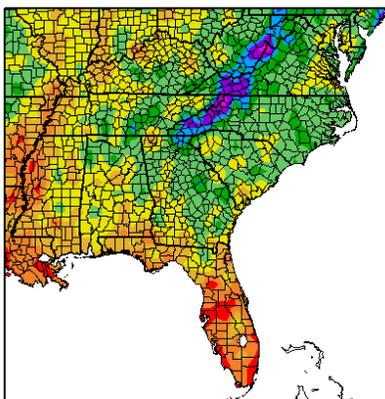
**Crop Condition for Week Ending 05/10/15**

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries.....	4	7	48	29	12
Cattle.....	0	2	24	60	14
Corn.....	0	3	26	54	17
Oats.....	1	6	36	53	4
Onions.....	0	3	45	39	13
Pasture and range.....	0	4	26	57	13
Peaches.....	0	0	3	86	11
Rye.....	1	10	43	42	4
Tobacco.....	1	3	21	65	10
Winter Wheat.....	2	9	36	47	6

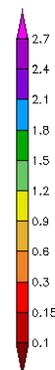
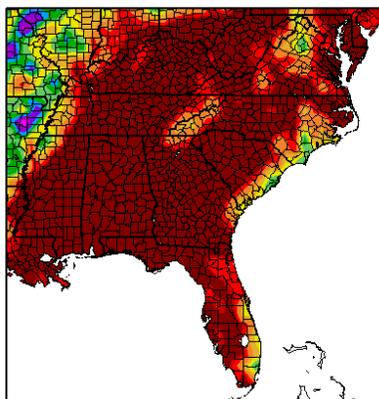
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/10/15**

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	0	7
Short.....	22	7	22
Adequate.....	68	70	57
Surplus.....	8	23	14
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	0	NA
Short.....	14	8	NA
Adequate.....	76	69	NA
Surplus.....	8	23	NA

Temperature (F)  
5/4/2015 - 5/10/2015



Precipitation (in)  
5/4/2015 - 5/10/2015



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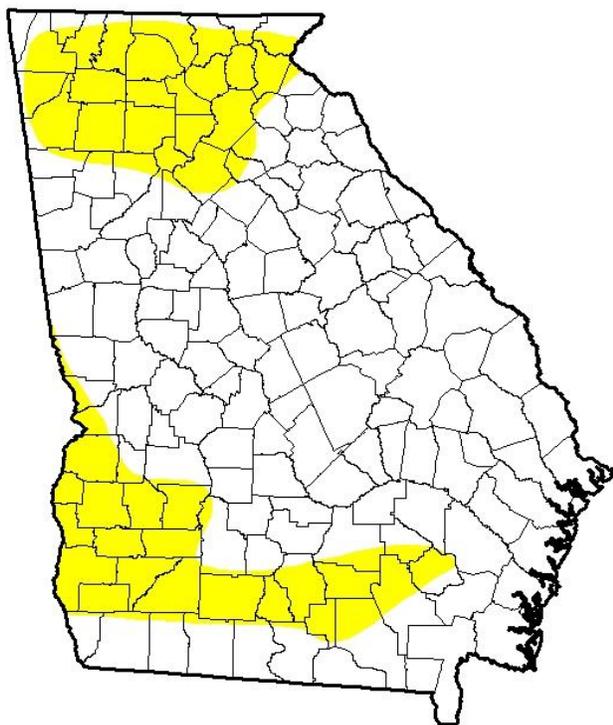
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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



**May 5, 2015**  
(Released Thursday, May 7, 2015)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	74.17	25.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 4/28/2015	74.60	25.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 2/2/2015	91.55	8.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12/31/2014	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> 5/6/2014	95.76	4.24	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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