



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 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 12, 2015. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.1 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 90s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the mid 70s.

**County Extension Comments**

“Pastures are looking better after a few good scattered rains. Producers were able to get a second cutting of hay last week due to hot, dry weather.”

**Michael Wheeler, Hall County, District 20**

“Rains from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend helped tremendously with dryland beans, pasture, and hay. Bermuda hay has kicked in after several weeks of dry weather. Early soybeans setting pods and more kudzu bugs observed compared to last couple of years. Minor damage from bermudagrass stem maggot observed.

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

“Hot and dry with scattered showers fewer and farther between. Second hay cutting underway.”

**Wade Hutcheson, Spalding County, District 40**

“Corn production is nearing maturity. Dryland production will be good.”

**Ted Wynne, Newton County, District 50**

“Could use some rain in most areas.”

**Jason Blankenship, Quitman County, District 70**

“We need rainfall. Started picking tobacco this week in some fields. Some plan to start next week. Tobacco crop looks excellent and peanuts and cotton look great at this time.

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

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/12/15**

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries - Harvested..	87	82	93	NA
Cotton - Squaring .....	77	67	85	77
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	36	21	35	36
Hay - 2nd Cutting .....	77	68	64	NA
Peaches - Harvested.....	64	52	74	77
Peanuts - Blooming.....	88	79	86	84
Peanuts - Pegging.....	59	42	60	56
Sorghum - Planted .....	93	91	86	88
Tobacco - Harvested.....	5	NA	NA	14

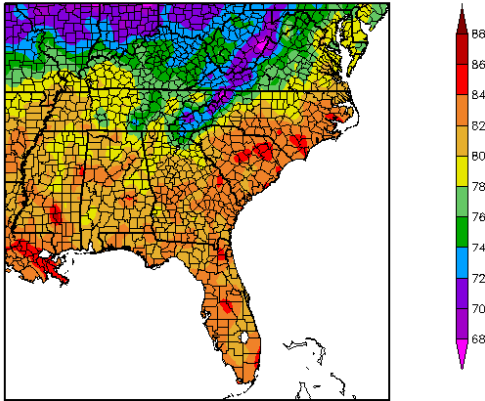
**Crop Condition for Week Ending 07/12/15**

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle .....	0	2	23	61	14
Corn .....	1	5	24	54	16
Cotton .....	1	4	30	52	13
Pasture and range.....	1	8	32	47	12
Peanuts.....	0	4	22	56	18
Sorghum .....	0	3	27	62	8
Soybeans.....	0	3	30	58	9
Tobacco.....	3	6	30	48	13

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/12/15**

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	3	2	9
Short.....	33	28	34
Adequate.....	58	59	42
Surplus.....	6	11	15
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	1	NA
Short.....	27	24	NA
Adequate.....	65	67	NA
Surplus.....	6	8	NA

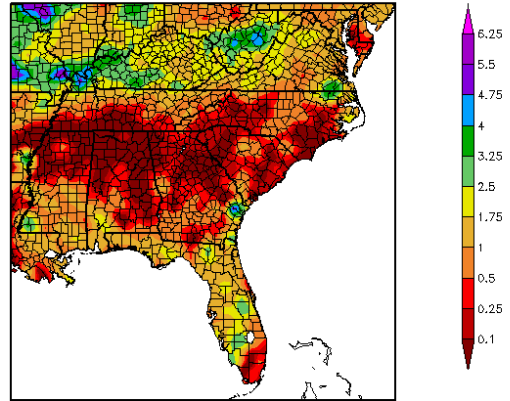
Temperature (F)  
7/6/2015 - 7/12/2015



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Precipitation (in)  
7/6/2015 - 7/12/2015



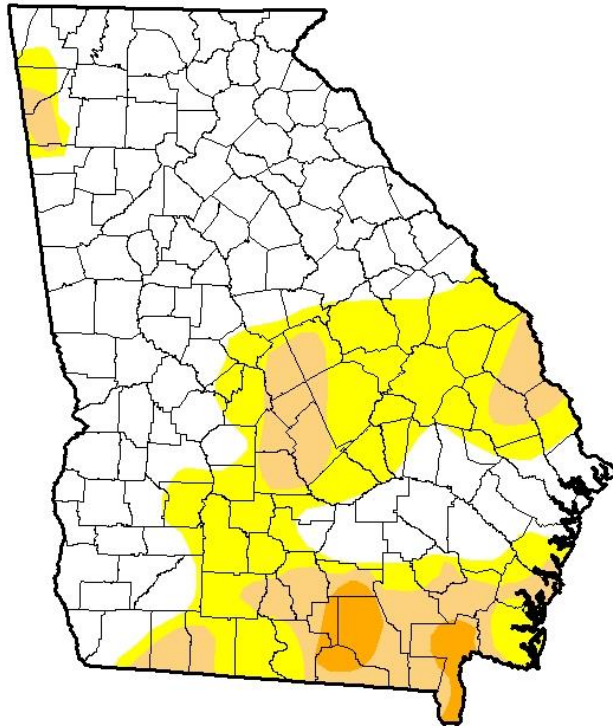
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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



**July 7, 2015**

(Released Thursday, Jul. 9, 2015)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	80.60	39.40	14.90	2.46	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 6/30/2015	52.93	47.07	13.56	2.46	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 4/7/2015	51.17	48.83	2.27	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> 8/30/2014	41.99	58.01	15.39	4.76	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 7/9/2014	85.82	14.18	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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