



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
**Georgia Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service’s Georgia Field Office, there were 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 11, 2015. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 2.5 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the mid 60s.

County Extension Comments

“Farmers in Troup County are baling their last hay crop this week.”

Brain Maddy, Troup County, District 40

“Cotton was damaged due to 15 days of overcast, wet conditions as bolls were opening. Peanuts are not grading well.”

Mark Crosby, Emanuel County, District 60

“Several weeks of rain have delayed peanut and early soybean harvest and cotton defoliation. Boll rot and locked bolls are an increasing issue.”

Pam Sapp, Jefferson County, District 60

“Pretty decent grades on first peanuts picked. Good weather forecast next week or two has everyone in the fields. Some cotton will have to be resprayed due to regrowth.”

Jason Blankenship, Quitman County, District 70

“Much needed good weather. Digging and harvesting peanuts this week.”

Tony Barnes, Atkinson County, District 80

“Overall conditions of crops went down this week due to extended rain and cloudy weather.”

Ronnie Barentine, Dooly County, District 80

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/11/15

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	93	89	95	90
Cotton - Harvested	11	8	19	19
Hay - 3rd Cutting	94	92	94	64
Oats - Planted	21	16	24	20
Peanuts - Dug	43	32	49	53
Peanuts - Harvested	23	15	30	37
Pecans - Harvested	8	NA	6	5
Rye - Planted	25	17	27	22
Sorghum - Harvested	71	69	61	44
Soybeans - Harvested	16	13	17	10
Winter Wheat - Planted ..	7	6	7	9

Crop Condition for Week Ending 10/11/15

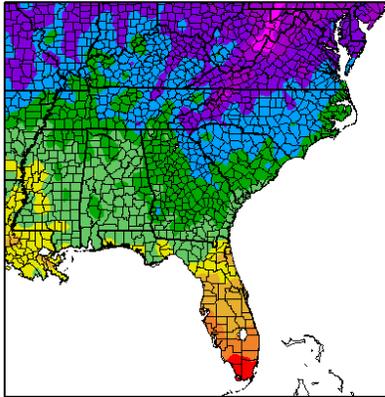
Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	2	23	62	13
Cotton	1	7	25	51	16
Pasture and range	2	6	30	53	9
Peanuts	1	6	24	50	19
Pecans	0	4	22	58	16
Soybeans	1	6	28	54	11

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/11/15

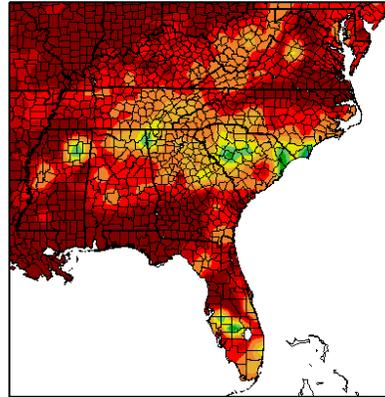
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short	1	1	10
Short	11	13	36
Adequate	61	55	51
Surplus	27	31	3

Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short	1	1	NA
Short	14	16	NA
Adequate	66	64	NA
Surplus	19	19	NA

Temperature (F)
10/6/2015 - 10/12/2015



Precipitation (in)
10/6/2015 - 10/12/2015



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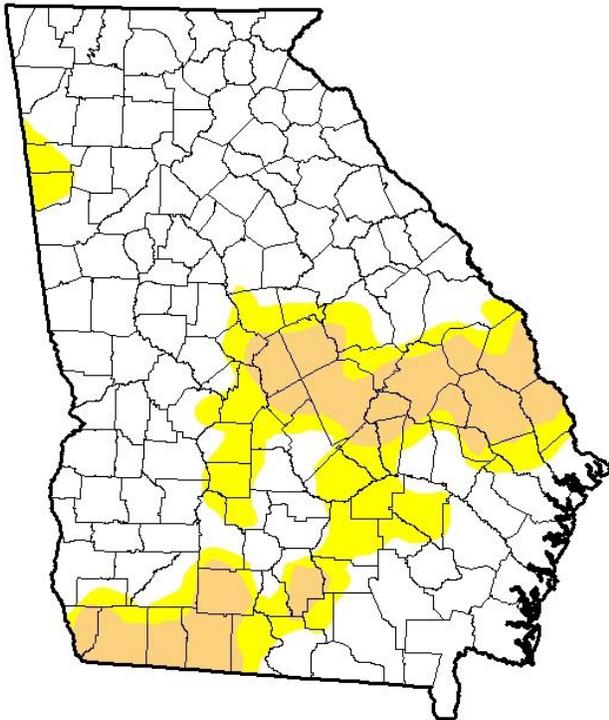
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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	71.24	28.76	12.93	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 9/29/2015	63.46	36.54	17.71	1.20	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 7/7/2015	60.60	39.40	14.90	2.46	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12/02/2014	94.23	5.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/29/2015	63.46	36.54	17.71	1.20	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 10/7/2014	47.08	52.92	14.11	4.76	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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