



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 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 18, 2015. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 0.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 40s to the low 60s.

County Extension Comments

“First light frost for the county occurred yesterday.”
Raymond Fitzpatrick, Franklin County, District 30

“Dry conditions this past week let some farmers get another cut of hay. Some farmers cut their fourth round.”
Paula Burke, Carroll County, District 40

“Good conditions exist for planting fall cover crops.”
Brian Maddy, Troup County, District 40

“Growers are in high gear harvesting cotton, soybeans, and peanuts. Livestock producers planting winter grazing. Hay harvesting winding down for the season.”
Raymond Joyce, Laurens County, District 50

“Harvested peanuts appear to be in good shape for the most part. Cotton in fields appears to be a good crop, but hard to tell until it is harvested and the numbers come back. Have seen more peanut leaf spot than I would like to, along with shedding of peanut leaves, in some cases up to 50%.”
Tony Barnes, Atkinson County, District 80

“Excellent harvest weather for cotton and peanuts. Peanut harvest in full swing after one to two week delay due to poor weather. Pecan crop looks good.”
Mark von Waldner, Coffee County, District 80

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/18/15

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	95	93	96	94
Cotton - Harvested	19	11	31	27
Hay - 3rd Cutting	96	94	95	86
Oats - Planted	29	21	32	30
Peanuts - Dug	63	43	63	68
Peanuts - Harvested	39	23	47	53
Pecans - Harvested	12	8	13	9
Rye - Planted	36	25	36	32
Sorghum - Harvested	76	71	63	47
Soybeans - Harvested	23	16	22	16
Winter Wheat - Planted ..	9	7	10	12

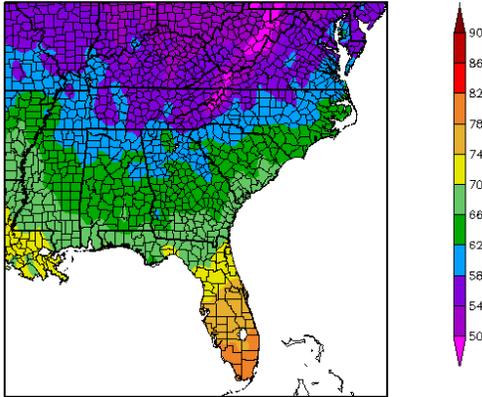
Crop Condition for Week Ending 10/18/15

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	3	23	62	12
Cotton	1	7	25	52	15
Pasture and range	2	7	30	53	8
Peanuts	1	7	24	49	19
Pecans	0	4	21	59	16
Soybeans	1	6	28	54	11

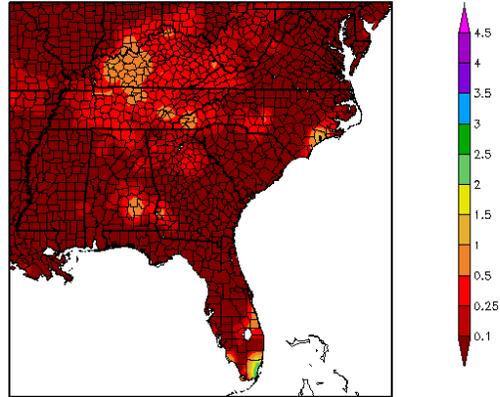
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/18/15

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short	1	1	11
Short	18	11	34
Adequate	70	61	52
Surplus	11	27	3
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short	1	1	NA
Short	19	14	NA
Adequate	71	66	NA
Surplus	9	19	NA

Temperature (F)
10/12/2015 - 10/18/2015



Precipitation (in)
10/12/2015 - 10/18/2015



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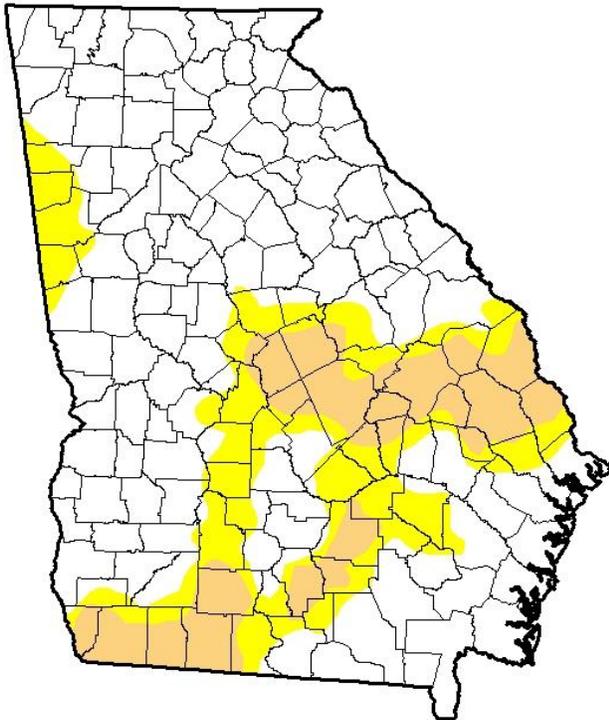
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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	68.56	31.44	13.87	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10/6/2015	71.24	28.76	12.93	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 7/14/2015	54.87	45.13	15.82	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 10/14/2014	56.00	44.00	12.52	1.96	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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