



**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 in Georgia, there were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 3, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.1 inches of rain up to 2.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 90s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

County Comments

Drought conditions persisted. Horse and cattle producers had to feed hay. I could see ribs on lactating mares and lactating cows at different farms.

Brenda Jackson, Murray and Whitfield Counties

Sporadic rains in the county helped where they fell, but still not enough to last us more than a couple of days of soil moisture. Pastures were looking bad, and cattlemen were selling cattle to make their hay stores last as long as possible.

Michael Wheeler, Hall County

Most cattle producers were already feeding hay. Dry, dry, dry. Large loss of dryland soybeans. Crops without irrigation were in bad shape.

Stephanie Butcher, Coweta County

Spotty rains provided some relief in areas. Disease pressure appeared to be low in crops.

Pam Sapp, Jefferson County

Colquitt County received hit or miss rain showers. Peanut growers were starting white mold fungicide programs. Most of the corn had reached dent stage. Cotton was growing well, and some stink bug sprays were going out this week. Watermelon harvest was in full swing.

Jeremy Kichler, Colquitt County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/03/16

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries - Harvested..	92	88	80	87
Corn - Silking	91	87	NA	NA
Cotton - Squaring	69	51	62	58
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	18	3	16	16
Hay - 2nd Cutting	52	40	64	34
Peaches - Harvested.....	67	57	51	69
Peanuts - Pegging.....	56	43	38	33
Sorghum - Planted	89	85	90	82
Soybeans - Planted.....	94	92	94	91
Soybeans - Emerged.....	89	84	NA	NA
Soybeans - Blooming	25	13	NA	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods	2	NA	NA	NA
Tobacco - Topped	67	47	NA	NA

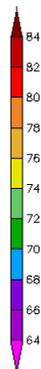
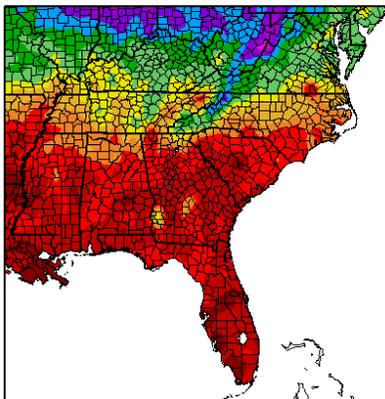
Conditions for Week Ending 07/03/16

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	5	26	57	11
Corn	1	6	24	52	17
Cotton	1	5	27	55	12
Pasture and range.....	10	18	38	29	5
Peanuts.....	1	4	21	58	16
Sorghum	1	3	30	61	5
Soybeans	1	7	28	57	7
Tobacco	1	11	39	42	7

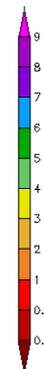
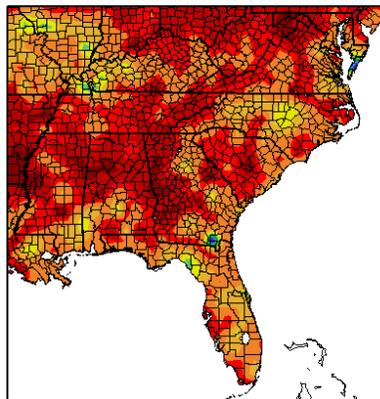
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/03/16

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	16	12	9
Short	39	43	29
Adequate.....	45	42	47
Surplus.....	0	3	15
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	9	8	11
Short	35	38	28
Adequate.....	54	51	51
Surplus.....	2	3	10

Temperature (F)
6/28/2016 - 7/4/2016



Precipitation (in)
6/28/2016 - 7/4/2016



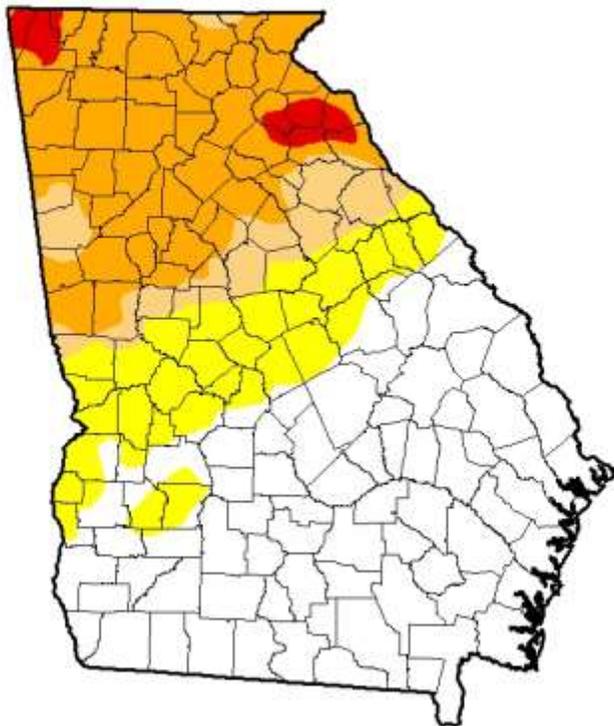
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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.72	48.28	32.89	25.21	1.96	0.00
Last Week 6/21/2016	52.37	47.63	31.61	14.55	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 3/29/2016	88.57	31.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 1/2/2016	87.36	12.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 9/28/2015	63.46	36.54	17.71	1.20	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 6/28/2015	52.93	47.07	13.56	2.46	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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