



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 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 31, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 90s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the high 70s.

County Comments

Farmers tried to locate additional hay and other feeding options. If we keep a weekly rainfall, we may get an average cutting of hay before fall.

Greg Bowman, Gordon County

Scattered showers across most of the county were not keeping up. Armyworms were in forages. Many farmers tried to get a second cutting harvested while feeding too much of the first.

Wade Hutcheson, Spalding County

Nothing was out of the norm this past week. Candler Co. farmers finished up the last of their tobacco.

Chris Earls, Candler County

Combines pulled corn every day. Harvest looked pretty good. Some low test weights in areas. Minor stink bug damage in corn. Cotton was cutting out on dry hills. Peanuts were wilted, but looked good. Soybeans bloomed steadily; very, very young pods were on the oldest planted beans.

Seth McAllister, Terrell County

Crop conditions continued to worsen due to drought. No rain again this week. I saw some irrigated cotton that was blooming near the top which tells me the crop has matured very fast. Headed toward early harvest date due to high heat units.

Ronnie Barentine, Dooly County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/31/16

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	69	48	NA	NA
Corn - Harvested	7	NA	NA	NA
Cotton - Squaring	95	93	96	92
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	77	68	74	69
Hay - 2nd Cutting	78	74	93	74
Peaches - Harvested.....	91	87	93	95
Peanuts - Pegging.....	96	94	91	86
Soybeans - Blooming	71	59	NA	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods	46	31	NA	NA
Tobacco - Harvested.....	40	27	36	35

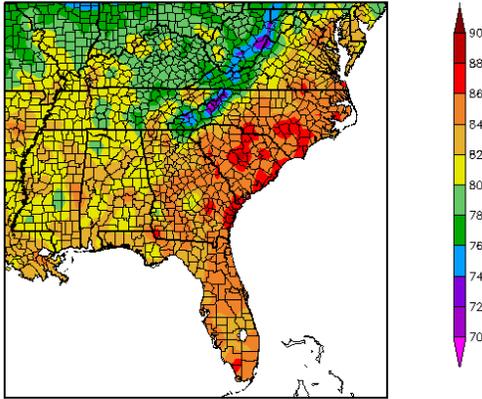
Conditions for Week Ending 07/31/16

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	2	8	31	51	8
Corn	3	7	26	47	17
Cotton	2	8	30	49	11
Pasture and range.....	16	21	37	23	3
Peanuts.....	2	5	26	50	17
Pecans.....	0	4	20	52	24
Sorghum	2	4	33	56	5
Soybeans	3	10	33	47	7
Tobacco.....	1	14	32	45	8

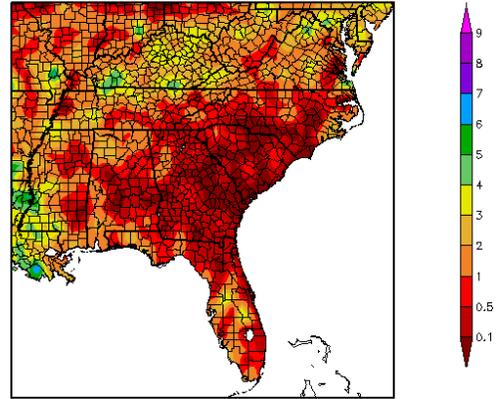
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/31/16

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	18	17	7
Short.....	42	40	29
Adequate.....	35	38	55
Surplus.....	5	5	9
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	16	13	9
Short.....	39	39	30
Adequate.....	42	44	54
Surplus.....	3	4	7

Temperature (F)
7/25/2016 – 7/31/2016



Precipitation (in)
7/25/2016 – 7/31/2016



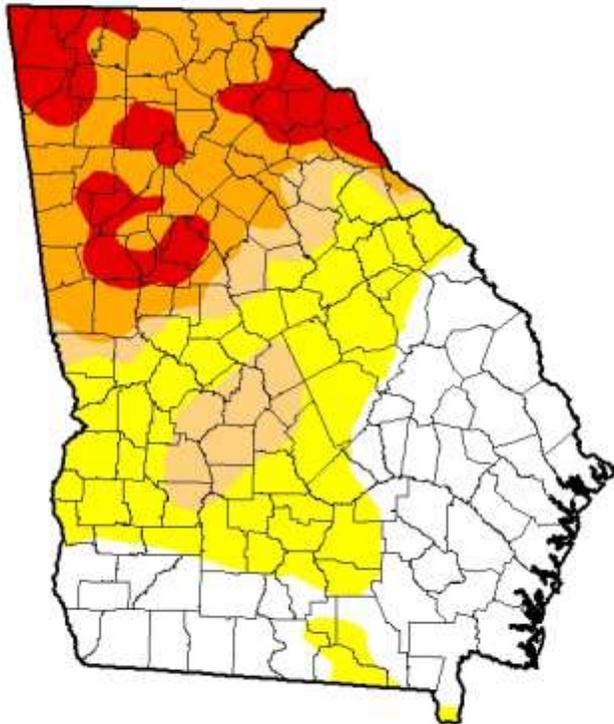
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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	34.89	65.11	37.74	28.47	10.59	0.00
Last Week 7/19/2016	34.96	65.04	37.55	28.48	9.65	0.00
3 Months Ago 4/26/2016	74.21	25.79	7.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 1/2/2015	87.38	12.64	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 7/26/2015	41.84	58.16	22.88	1.35	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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