



**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 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 13, 2016. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 0.3 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the low 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 30s to the mid 50s.

**County Comments**

Local cattle producers have been culling cows and feeding hay during the latter part of the summer and throughout fall. Most farmers have given up hope for planting any winter forages, and there's still no rain in the forecast. We anticipate major hay shortages in Northwest Georgia this winter.

**Paul Pugliese, Bartow County**

No rainfall again this week, and none in the forecasts. It is still extremely dry. All fall planting has failed or been put on indefinite hold.

**Clark MacAllister, Lumpkin County**

Harvest is completed, and the soil is powerfully dry. The lack of moisture has prevented almost everyone from planting any winter grains. With no rain in sight, I'm concerned our aquifers are going to start dropping. Luckily, the growing season is over, so there isn't much irrigation running, but we are in desperate need of a slow quenching rain to replenish our land. I'm worried that many hayfields and pastures will have large dead patches come spring green up from the prolonged heat and drought.

**Seth McAllister, Terrell County**

Growers have begun to transplant onions. It is very dry now across the county. We need rain for our winter grazing and winter vegetables.

**Chris Tyson, Tattnall County**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/13/16**

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Harvested .....	79	70	52	64
Oats - Planted .....	58	48	63	66
Onions - Transplanted....	11	3	12	14
Peanuts - Dug .....	97	94	92	97
Peanuts - Harvested.....	93	87	82	90
Pecans - Harvested.....	48	28	46	45
Rye - Planted .....	49	46	67	66
Sorghum - Harvested .....	84	82	86	72
Soybeans - Harvested....	81	67	56	59
Winter Wheat - Planted ..	28	24	26	31
Winter Wheat - Emerged	6	2	NA	NA

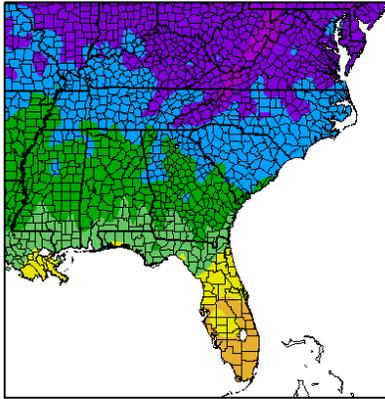
**Conditions for Week Ending 11/13/16**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle .....	5	17	38	35	5
Pasture and range.....	45	29	16	9	1
Pecans.....	1	6	23	52	18

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/13/16**

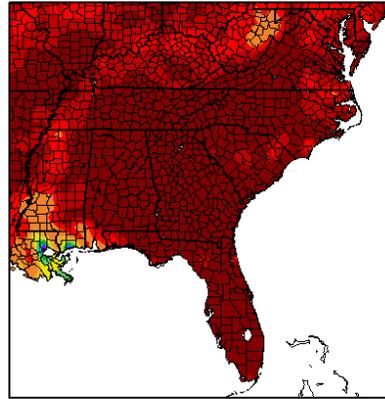
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	59	52	14
Short.....	31	35	34
Adequate.....	9	13	44
Surplus.....	1	0	8
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	57	47	15
Short.....	28	34	33
Adequate.....	15	19	47
Surplus.....	0	0	5

Temperature (F)  
11/7/2016 - 11/13/2016



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Precipitation (in)  
11/7/2016 - 11/13/2016



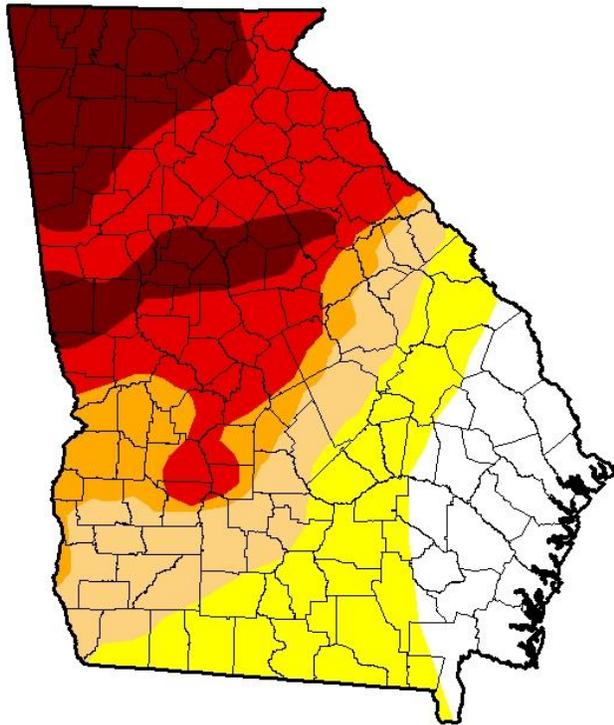
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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

**November 8, 2016**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	15.69	84.31	64.43	50.53	42.02	17.22
<b>Last Week</b> <i>11/1/2016</i>	26.41	73.59	57.84	49.92	39.57	14.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>8/9/2016</i>	31.85	68.15	44.75	30.41	8.83	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12/29/2015</i>	87.36	12.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>8/27/2016</i>	35.37	64.63	45.84	34.50	14.67	1.58
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>11/19/2015</i>	91.60	8.40	1.73	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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