



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 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 29, 2017. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.2 inches of rain to 6.1 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 50s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 30s to the mid 50s.

County Comments

We received over an inch of rain in the last week. The soybean harvest is in the beginning stages. Those that chose a third cutting of hay have completed it.

Brenda Jackson, Murray County

Cotton is being picked. Peanut harvest is almost finished. Winter grazing crops are being planted along with wheat and rye. A cold front has moved in.

Matthew Murdock, Marion County

Rain from last weekend slowed peanut picking and cotton defoliation at the beginning of this week, but we are back on schedule now. It seems to be a decent crop so far, despite the unusual problems we faced this year. Producers plan to start transplanting onions in about two weeks; the seed beds look really good. Livestock seems to be rocking along just fine.

Chris Earls, Candler County

Cooler temperatures are slowing defoliation of much of the later cotton. Rains early in the week brought harvest to a standstill. Peanut yields are dramatically lower in some fields than expected. Cotton yields have been good across the board, and we still have a long way to go.

Seth McAllister, Terrell County

Harvest has started on some early pecan varieties, such as Pawnee and Stuart. Aerial defoliation of cotton is still occurring. Peanut harvest is winding down.

Joshua Grant, Crisp County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/29/17

| Crop stage | This week (percent) | Prev week (percent) | Prev year (percent) | 5 Year avg (percent) |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cotton - Bolls Opening ... | 98 | 97 | 98 | 96 |
| Cotton - Harvested | 46 | 37 | 59 | 43 |
| Hay - 3rd Cutting | 95 | 92 | NA | NA |
| Oats - Planted | 49 | 35 | 41 | 45 |
| Onions - Transplanted.... | 0 | NA | NA | NA |
| Peanuts - Dug | 90 | 81 | 90 | 87 |
| Peanuts - Harvested..... | 79 | 67 | 79 | 74 |
| Pecans - Harvested..... | 26 | 18 | 19 | 22 |
| Rye - Planted | 48 | 39 | 40 | 49 |
| Sorghum - Harvested | 91 | 88 | 80 | 67 |
| Soybeans - Dropping Leaves | 94 | 88 | 94 | NA |
| Soybeans - Harvested.... | 48 | 38 | 51 | 38 |
| Winter wheat - Planted... | 19 | 14 | 22 | 18 |

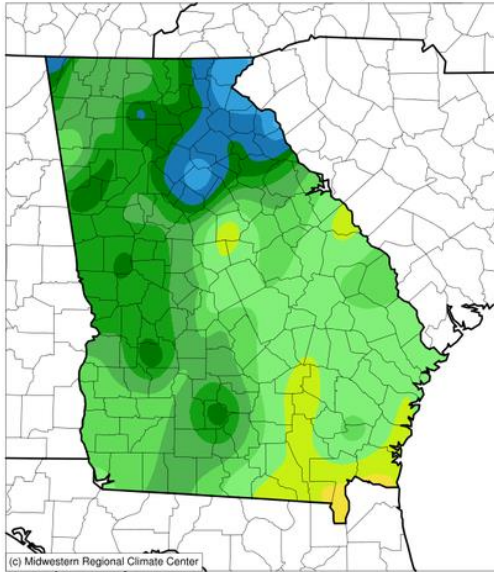
Conditions for Week Ending 10/29/17

| Crop | Very poor (percent) | Poor (percent) | Fair (percent) | Good (percent) | Excellent (percent) |
|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Cattle | 0 | 3 | 23 | 63 | 11 |
| Cotton | 6 | 18 | 28 | 41 | 7 |
| Pasture and range..... | 2 | 11 | 35 | 48 | 4 |
| Pecans..... | 3 | 8 | 40 | 41 | 8 |
| Soybeans..... | 1 | 7 | 27 | 57 | 8 |

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/29/17

| Topsoil | This week (percent) | Previous week (percent) | 5 Year avg (percent) |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Very short..... | 8 | 12 | 19 |
| Short | 26 | 45 | 35 |
| Adequate..... | 57 | 41 | 43 |
| Surplus..... | 9 | 2 | 3 |
| Subsoil | This week (percent) | Previous week (percent) | 5 Year avg (percent) |
| Very short..... | 9 | 9 | 16 |
| Short | 32 | 38 | 35 |
| Adequate..... | 57 | 51 | 47 |
| Surplus..... | 2 | 2 | 2 |

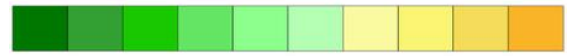
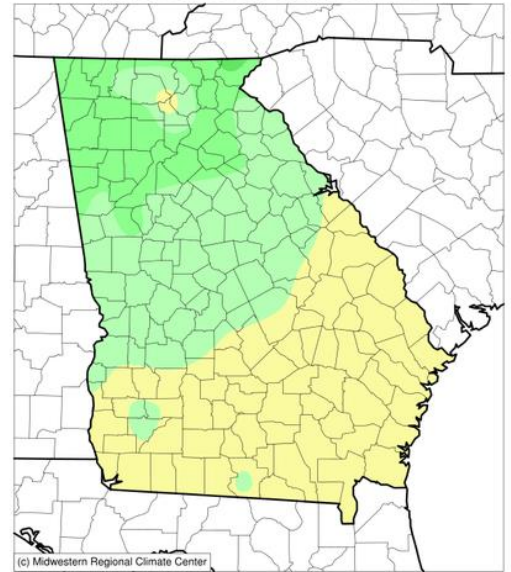
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 23, 2017 to October 29, 2017



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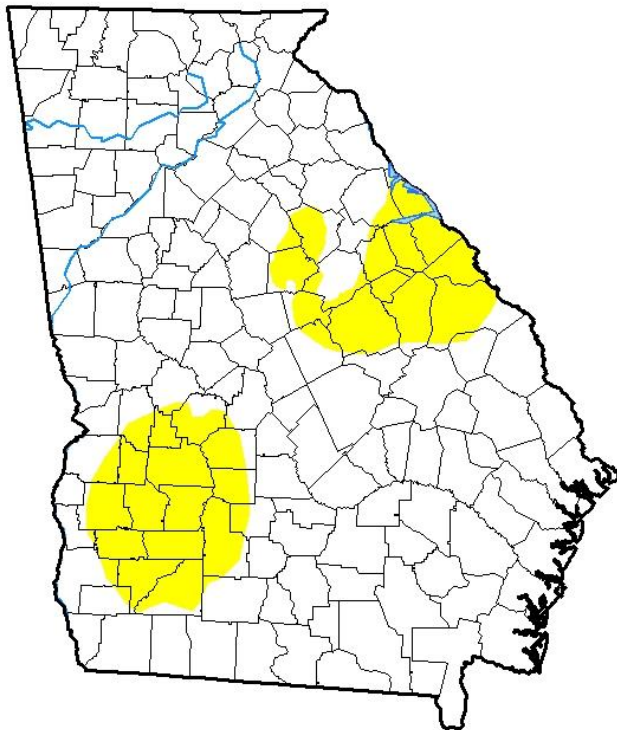
Average Temperature (°F)
October 23, 2017 to October 29, 2017



35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 75

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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



October 24, 2017

(Released Thursday, Oct. 26, 2017)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Current | 83.40 | 16.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week 10-17-2017 | 74.94 | 25.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago 07-25-2017 | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2017 | 11.31 | 88.69 | 73.48 | 39.33 | 19.28 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 09-26-2017 | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago 10-25-2016 | 33.95 | 66.05 | 57.89 | 49.92 | 33.67 | 12.13 |

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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