



**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 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 15, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain to 4.0 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

**County Comments**

Disregarding the spotty afternoon showers it was a hot and relatively dry week. Corn stands are looking good in most areas, except for areas impacted by feral pig populations.

**Joshua Presley, Hall County**

Most corn fields have reached dent stage. Peanuts are blooming and pegging. Growers are applying landplaster and fungicides to peanut fields. Cotton is squaring, blooming, and setting bolls. Soybeans are progressing well. Haying continues. Bermudagrass stem maggot is showing up in more pastures and hayfields. Silage harvesting has begun. Scattered rains began again late in the week.

**Raymond Joyce, Laurens County**

We turned very dry until the weekend when we finally got over an inch in most parts of the county. Corn in some places that looked like the best crop we have ever planted started declining a month ago due to dry weather at crucial crop stages and now looks like a withered stalk. Cotton is turning on however and most fields that had skippy stands have really bushed out and are making an impressive crop. Peanuts also look very good and have very good color after a dismal start to the season. Soybeans are still getting planted in a few fields and have yet to look impressive.

**Seth McAllister, Terrell County**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/15/18**

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Mature .....	30	14	26	NA
Cotton - Squaring .....	80	70	76	81
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	36	21	29	37
Hay - 2nd Cutting .....	63	44	51	60
Peaches - Harvested.....	59	53	96	81
Peanuts - Pegging.....	83	74	80	70
Soybeans - Emerged.....	95	90	94	NA
Soybeans - Blooming .....	37	23	38	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods.....	5	NA	38	NA
Tobacco - Topped.....	92	83	92	NA
Tobacco - Harvested.....	35	20	23	13

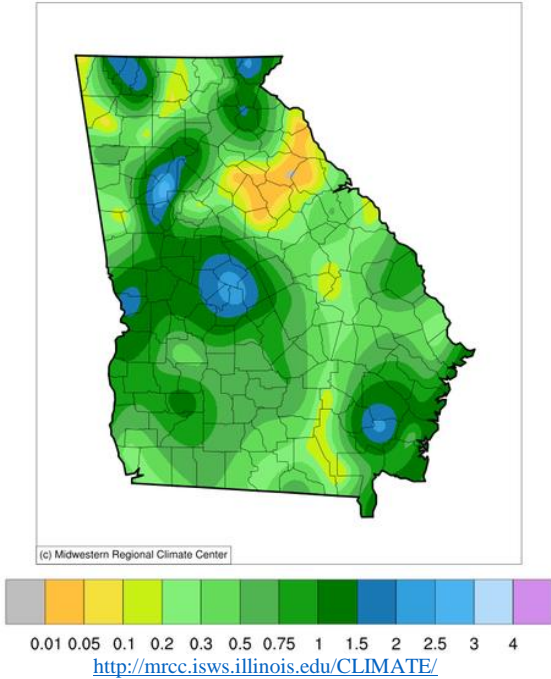
**Conditions for Week Ending 07/15/18**

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle .....	0	3	22	62	13
Corn .....	1	4	21	59	15
Cotton .....	1	6	25	57	11
Pasture and range.....	1	4	25	58	12
Peanuts.....	1	5	25	59	10
Soybeans.....	1	5	26	59	9
Tobacco.....	1	8	33	44	14

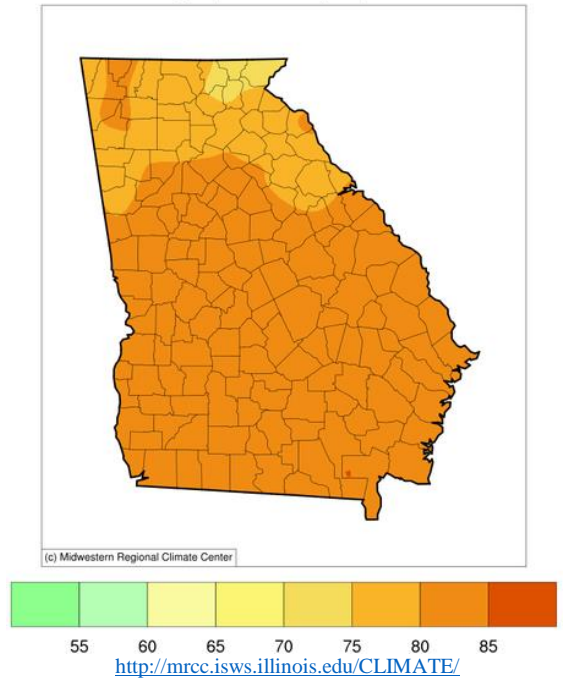
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/15/18**

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	3	1	NA
Short.....	25	14	NA
Adequate.....	67	76	NA
Surplus.....	5	9	NA
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	0	NA
Short.....	18	12	NA
Adequate.....	75	80	NA
Surplus.....	5	8	NA

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
July 09, 2018 to July 15, 2018

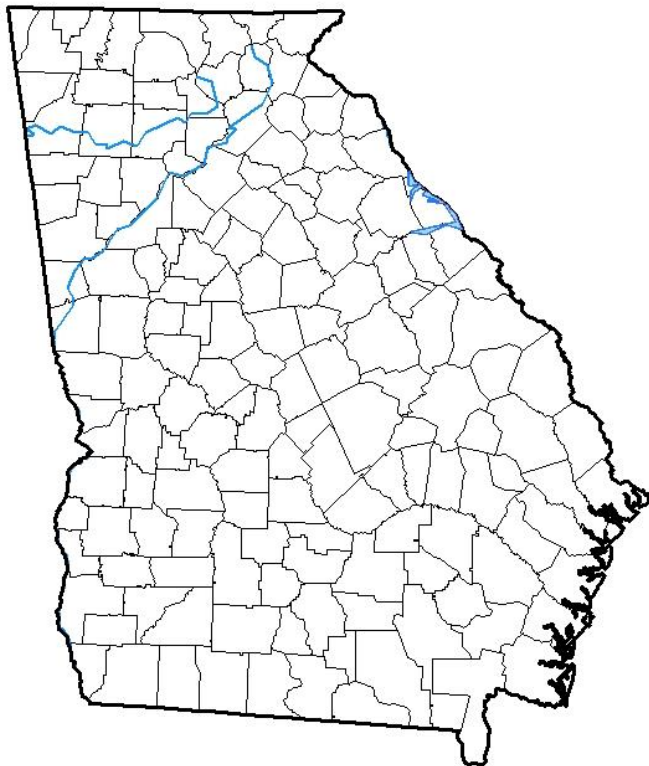


**Average Temperature (°F)**  
July 09, 2018 to July 15, 2018



## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

**July 10, 2018**  
(Released Thursday, Jul. 12, 2018)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 07-03-2018	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 04-10-2018	23.69	76.31	56.92	17.72	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-02-2018	12.14	87.86	40.66	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-26-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 07-11-2017	98.97	1.03	0.00	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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