

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 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 19, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain to 2.7 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the high 70s.

County Comments

There were several reports of armyworms showing up in pastures, hayfields, and sod farms this week.

Paul Pugliese, Bartow County

Scattered storms prevented much hay cutting and delayed fungicide applications in peanuts where white mold and leaf spots were found.

Matthew Murdock, Marion County

There will be a lot of corn harvested this week if the weather holds out. Right now, producers are just waiting on it to dry down. The hay farmers are having a hard time getting hay rolled due to the afternoon showers. Some cotton that has cut out, and some peanuts at 120 days or better.

Cole Moon, Bleckley County

Frequent heavy rain showers are slowing down farm activities significantly. Field conditions are preventing farmers from harvesting corn and making timely pesticide sprays on other crops. Hay producers are having a very hard year trying to harvest in between rain showers. Peanut and cotton diseases are playing a larger role this year due to prolonged leaf and canopy wetness.

Ty Torrance, Grady County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/19/18

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Mature	92	86	94	NA
Corn - Harvested	36	23	51	43
Cotton - Setting Bolls	92	84	93	92
Cotton - Bolls Opening	7	3	10	10
Hay - 2nd Cutting	95	91	94	90
Peaches - Harvested	98	92	100	99
Peanuts - Pegging	99	98	100	99
Soybeans - Blooming	91	83	90	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods	70	59	68	NA
Tobacco - Harvested	77	70	78	68

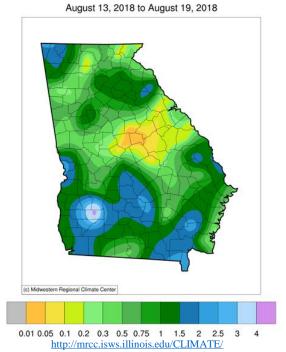
Conditions for Week Ending 08/19/18

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	2	23	61	14
Corn	1	4	20	61	14
Cotton	0	6	25	56	13
Pasture and range	1	4	29	55	11
Peanuts	1	4	17	61	17
Pecans	0	5	19	59	17
Soybeans	1	2	23	62	12

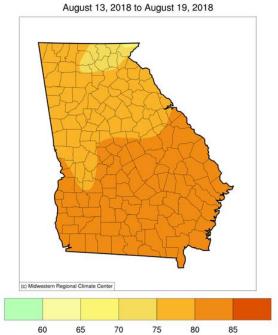
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/19/18

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very shortShortAdequateSurplus.	1 12 73 14	1 8 74 17	NA NA NA NA		
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	1 10 77 12	1 9 76 14	NA NA NA NA		

Accumulated Precipitation (in)



Average Temperature (°F)



U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

August 14, 2018

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 08-07-2018	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 05-15-2018	40.28	59.72	30.19	5.30	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2018	12.14	87.86	40.66	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 08-15-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:



D3 Extreme Drought D1 Moderate 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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