

## 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 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 26, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged no rain to 3.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 50s to the high 70s.

#### **County Comments**

The grape harvest began. Corn continued to be harvested for silage. Most hay producers took advantage of the week's dry weather and made their last cutting of the season.

#### Nathan Eason, White County

The corn harvest was progressing quickly. Dry conditions have affected all crops. Grass has almost stopped growing. Dryland cotton and soybeans began dropping bolls and pods.

#### **Brent Allen, Washington County**

We finally had a week of dry weather and sunshine, which was needed. There were even some pivots running. Peanuts planted in late April look to be on track to be ready at 140 days. Some peanuts will likely be dug the first week of September. Cotton was opening, and some fields were shedding leaves. Corn harvest was wide open, and the yield reports were excellent.

#### Cole Moon, Bleckley County

The corn harvest was winding down and was fairly impressive. Peanuts were setting a good crop and were approximately three weeks from the earliest planted fields being dug. Cotton also looked really good, but the rain trend from the summer will hinder harvest if it continues into the fall. Whitefly populations have been increasing, but we have not treated any fields yet. Soybeans really improved in the last few weeks and set nice pods.

#### **Seth McAllister, Terrell County**

#### **Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/26/18**

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Mature	96	92	98	NA
Corn - Harvested	55	36	69	60
Cotton - Setting Bolls	96	92	96	95
Cotton - Bolls Opening	14	7	20	19
Hay - 3rd Cutting	18	NA	NA	NA
Soybeans - Blooming	95	91	93	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods	82	70	76	NA
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves	2	NA	2	NA
Tobacco - Harvested	87	77	83	74

#### Conditions for Week Ending 08/26/18

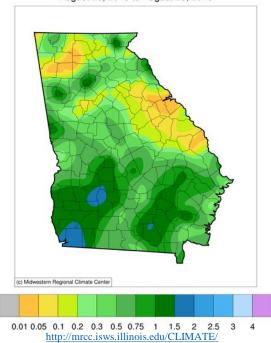
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	3	25	58	14
Corn	1	4	19	62	14
Cotton	0	7	24	55	14
Pasture and range	1	5	31	52	11
Peanuts	1	4	15	59	21
Pecans	1	3	14	58	24
Soybeans	0	3	24	62	11

#### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/26/18

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	19 71	1 12 73 14	NA NA NA NA
Subsoil	This week	Previous week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2 13 75 10	1 10 77 12	NA NA NA NA

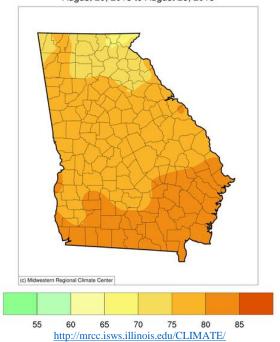
#### Accumulated Precipitation (in)

August 20, 2018 to August 26, 2018



#### Average Temperature (°F)

August 20, 2018 to August 26, 2018



# U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

### August 21, 2018

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

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	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 08-14-2018	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3 Month's Ago 05-22-2018	66.63	33.37	0.00	0.00	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 08-22-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

#### Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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