



United States Department of Agriculture
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Georgia Crop Progress
and Condition Report



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 7, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain to 4.3 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the lower 40s to the mid 50s.

County Comments

Cattle producers were busy prepping for the coming hay season and were tending to their herds. Row crop farmers were prepping to plant corn in the coming weeks. A much needed rain was received Thursday-Friday which will help replenish soil moisture for grazing forages.

Thad Glenn, Stephens County

Had a good, dry, almost full week of field prep and planting. The tractors were rolling.

Keith Mickler, Floyd County

Corn planting finished up and soybeans began to go in the ground as well. Growers were burning down cotton land and harrowing, subsoiling, and plowing peanut land. Some early cotton and peanuts will likely go into the ground within the next two weeks if soil temperatures improve. Wheat has mostly headed out, and hay fields were starting to green up.

Cole Moon, Bleckley County

Wet weather moved into the area late in the week to give some relief to some dry conditions. Peaches were progressing and strawberries were ripening. U-pick and farm markets reopened around the county!

Sarah Greer, Crawford County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/07/19

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Blueberries - Blooming...	95	83	91	88
Corn - Planted.....	67	48	60	57
Corn - Emerged.....	42	24	36	36
Cotton - Planted.....	0	0	0	0
Peaches - Blooming.....	68	58	98	89
Tobacco - Transplanted..	25	13	23	14
Winter wheat - Headed...	51	28	55	38

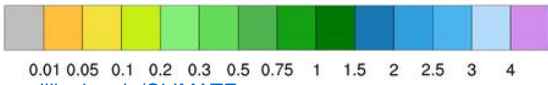
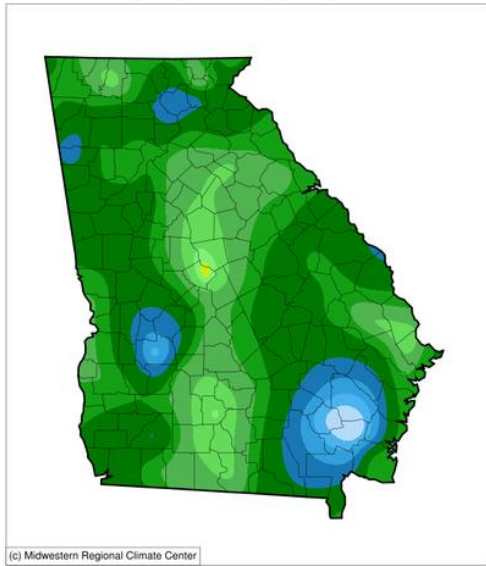
Conditions for Week Ending 04/07/19

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Blueberries.....	0	2	8	79	11
Cattle.....	1	4	29	55	11
Oats.....	0	4	35	59	2
Onions.....	0	0	22	68	10
Pasture and range.....	2	11	30	51	6
Peaches.....	4	5	14	41	36
Rye.....	0	7	40	49	4
Winter wheat.....	1	6	32	58	3

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/07/19

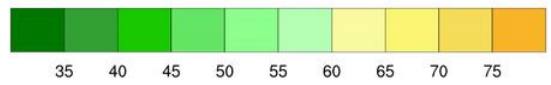
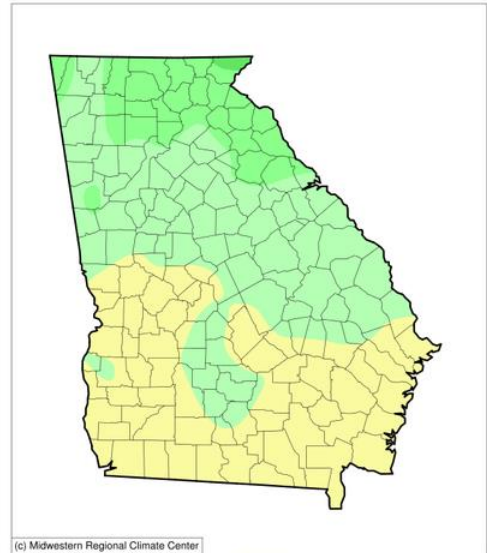
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	1	3
Short.....	21	24
Adequate.....	66	65
Surplus.....	12	8
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	3	1
Short.....	16	14
Adequate.....	74	77
Surplus.....	7	8

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 01, 2019 to April 07, 2019

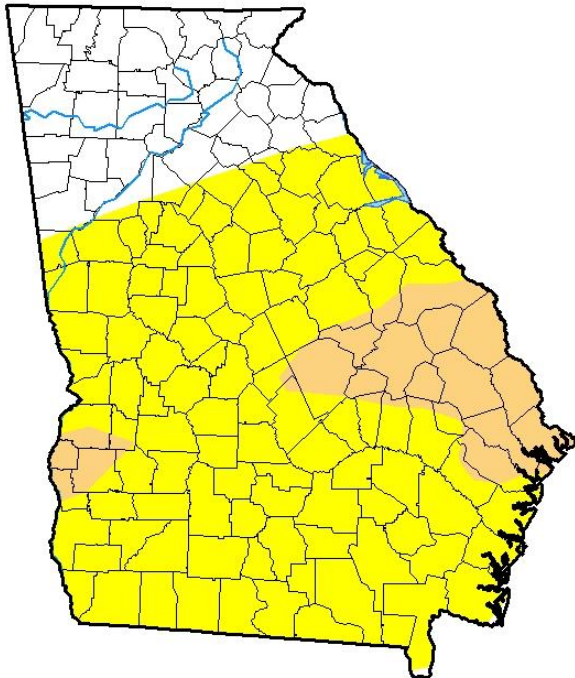


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Average Temperature (°F)
April 01, 2019 to April 07, 2019



U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



April 2, 2019

(Released Thursday, Apr. 4, 2019)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	20.88	79.12	12.95	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 03-26-2019	39.33	60.67	6.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 01-01-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-25-2018	70.95	29.05	6.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 04-03-2018	31.27	68.73	51.19	16.00	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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