



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 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 21, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain in multiple locations to 7.1 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the high 70s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 30s to the high 50s.

County Comments

Ryegrass pastures and hayfields were really starting to come in. Early soybeans will be going in soon.

Adam Speir, Madison County

Some farmers have begun cutting hay, primarily ryegrass that was planted in the fall. The county received heavy thunderstorms on Friday, which will keep farmers out of the field for several days due to wet conditions. However, this heavy rain will be good for our perennial grasses, providing forage for grazing and hay.

Thad Glen, Stephens County

Most of the corn is in the ground and one or two growers started planting cotton and peanuts. Rain late in the week was followed by lower temperatures for the next couple of days. The crops that have emerged do not seem to be growing all that quickly. Most of the wheat has pollinated, and we will be looking over the next few weeks for signs of head scab, which is projected to be likely in our area.

Cole Moon, Bleckley County

We had sunshine early in the week, but cooler temperatures. Regardless, some farmers started planting cotton and many have continued getting fields ready for cotton and peanuts. Fertilizer has gone on corn, and the crop looks pretty good so far. Rain and cooler temperatures late in the week may hinder some early planted cotton from emerging on time. Hoping for warmer temperatures in the near future.

Seth McAllister, Terrell County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/21/19

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Blueberries - Harvested..	22	13	5	3
Corn - Planted.....	90	81	88	85
Corn - Emerged.....	79	64	74	NA
Cotton - Planted.....	6	2	4	3
Hay - 1st Cutting.....	8	1	5	6
Onions - Harvested.....	25	13	12	18
Peaches - Blooming.....	90	86	100	99
Peanuts - Planted.....	1	0	2	3
Tobacco - Transplanted..	68	46	74	58
Winter wheat - Headed..	84	73	86	NA

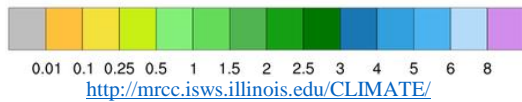
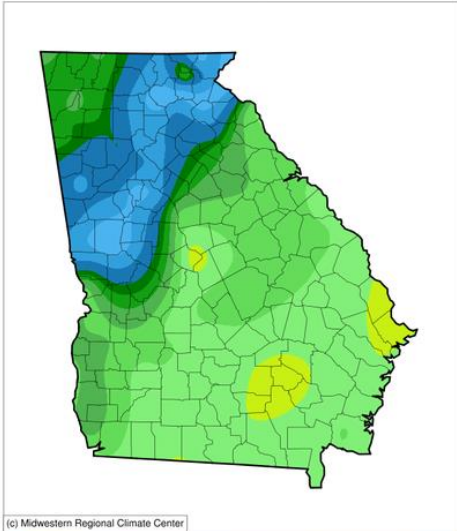
Conditions for Week Ending 04/21/19

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Blueberries.....	0	2	9	85	4
Cattle.....	1	5	22	58	14
Corn.....	0	2	17	68	13
Oats.....	0	3	39	55	3
Onions.....	0	4	40	53	3
Pasture and range.....	1	7	28	54	10
Peaches.....	0	3	4	45	48
Rye.....	0	4	41	50	5
Winter wheat.....	0	4	32	59	5

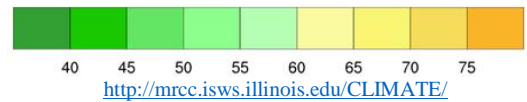
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/21/19

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	6	7
Adequate.....	74	77
Surplus.....	20	16
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	7	9
Adequate.....	77	79
Surplus.....	16	12

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
April 15, 2019 to April 21, 2019



Average Temperature (°F)
April 15, 2019 to April 21, 2019



U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

April 16, 2019

(Released Thursday, Apr. 18, 2019)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	23.15	76.85	10.59	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 04-09-2019	20.88	79.12	14.47	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 01-15-2019	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 04-17-2018	28.20	71.80	49.84	16.71	0.00	0.00

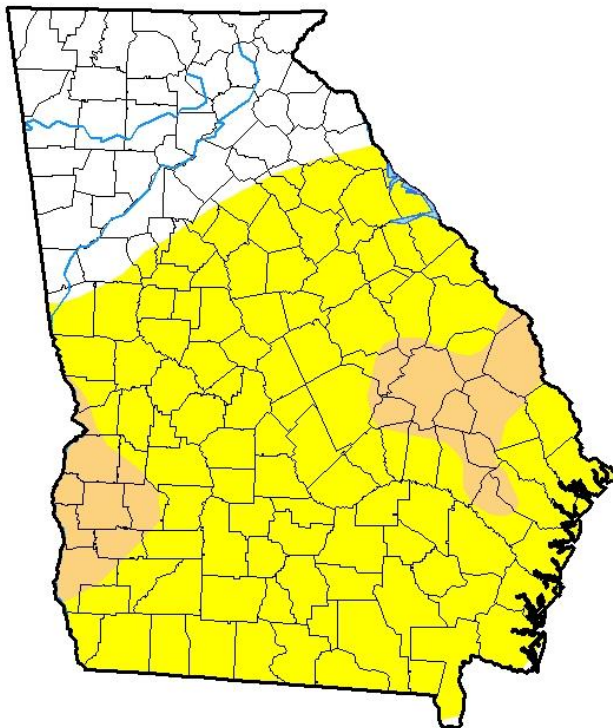
Intensity:

- 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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