



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, October 27, 2019. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from trace amounts to 5.02 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the low 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 40s to the low 60s.

County Comments

Fescue pastures were quickly recovering from the drought. Cattlemen and hay producers were seeding winter annuals. Harvesting concluded for soybeans and wine grapes.

Nathan Eason, White County

The drought continued, and the soil was too dry to plant winter grazing. Livestock producers continually provided supplemental feeding. Most producers will deplete their winter hay storage earlier than normal.

Bobby Solomon, Talbot County

We finally felt some fall weather. Light showers over a couple of days were just enough to hamper the cotton harvest. The latest planted cotton fields were defoliated, and if weather patterns improve, farmers could be done picking cotton by mid-November. Peanuts were also finishing up, but rain really deteriorated some of the vine integrity of the peanuts yet to be picked. Rain helped to settle some dust, but it came too late to help the crop any. Now that temperatures have dropped, the rain won't even help the pasture situation. Cattlemen fed hay rations daily. Winter grazing just started to poke out of the ground.

Seth McAllister, Terrell County

Evans County was still extremely dry. Rain from Tropical Storm Nester already evaporated. Surface water ponds were extremely low, and producers were about to start Vidalia onion planting with very little water reserves. Cattle producers fed hay and tried to plant winter grazing, but if the county doesn't receive more rain, then the soil will run out of the moisture needed to get a good stand.

Ross Greene, Evans County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/27/19

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	97	96	97	98
Cotton - Harvested	56	48	40	44
Hay - 3rd Cutting	93	92	NA	NA
Oats - Planted	38	24	29	40
Peanuts - Dug	92	85	86	84
Peanuts - Harvested	83	72	71	70
Pecans - Harvested	20	16	16	20
Rye - Planted	31	22	30	43
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves	94	89	94	NA
Soybeans - Harvested	49	40	41	40
Winter wheat - Planted ...	12	6	9	15

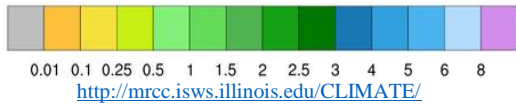
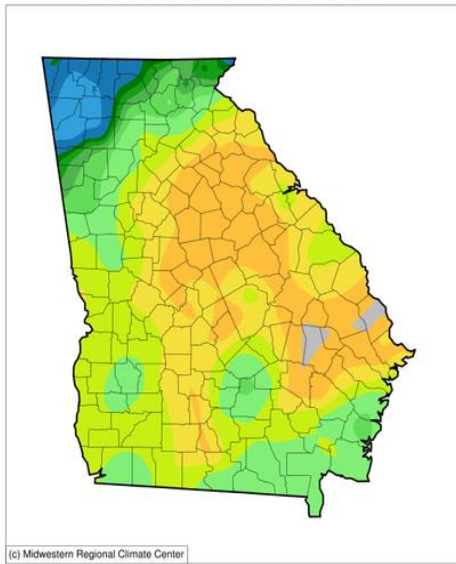
Conditions for Week Ending 10/27/19

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	5	13	31	46	5
Cotton	4	10	34	45	7
Pasture and range	21	36	31	11	1
Pecans	2	19	21	49	9
Soybeans	12	21	35	29	3

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/27/19

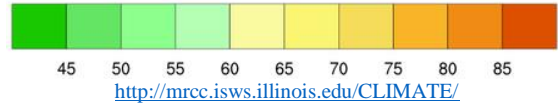
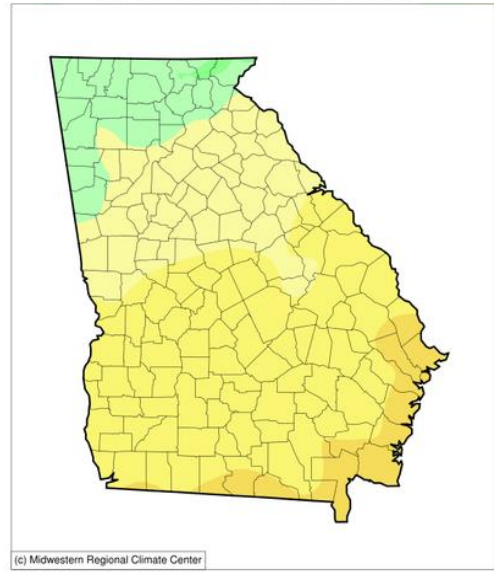
Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short	13	24
Short	35	30
Adequate	51	44
Surplus	1	2
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)
Very short	23	36
Short	43	37
Adequate	34	27
Surplus	0	0

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 21, 2019 to October 27, 2019



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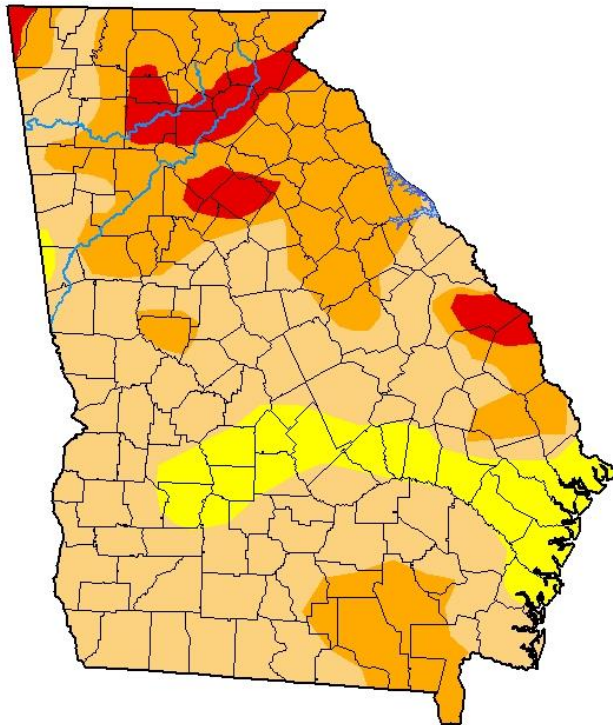
Average Temperature (°F)
October 21, 2019 to October 27, 2019



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

October 22, 2019
(Released Thursday, Oct. 24, 2019)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00	88.56	35.48	5.72	0.00
Last Week 10-15-2019	0.00	100.00	97.96	84.37	16.12	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-23-2019	75.31	24.69	4.05	0.05	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 10-01-2019	0.00	100.00	61.58	28.35	4.49	0.00
One Year Ago 10-23-2018	66.79	33.21	3.58	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- 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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