



United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service  
**Georgia Crop Progress  
and Condition Report**



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This report contains data collected each week from respondents across the state whose occupations provide them opportunities to discuss agricultural production with farmers in their counties as well as to make visual observations. We thank all who have contributed to this report.

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**General**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 24, 2020. Precipitation ranged from 0.1 inches of rain to 7.3 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the high 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the low 70s.

**Crops**

Multiple heavy rain events limited fieldwork in some northern and southern counties, while ideal rain levels in central counties allowed producers to rapidly plant dryland peanut and cotton acres. Producers in central counties reported good winter wheat test weights and yields. Corn was in good condition, and early-planted fields were silking. Some corn fields were sprayed for stink bugs. Much of the tobacco acres looked uniform and healthy. Strawberries were still in full swing with blooming, fruiting, and picking.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Livestock and pasture condition remained unchanged from the previous week. Pastures with both cool-season and warm-season grasses were in the transition period. Bermudagrass fields were starting to ramp up as the temperatures warmed.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/24/20**

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Blueberries - Harvested ..	75	56	70	62
Corn - Silking .....	15	2	13	9
Cotton - Planted .....	72	41	57	65
Hay - 1st Cutting .....	83	72	81	78
Oats - Harvested .....	49	32	39	37
Onions - Harvested .....	97	86	99	94
Peaches - Harvested .....	12	15	24	13
Peanuts - Planted .....	79	48	65	75
Soybeans - Planted .....	51	31	41	42
Soybeans - Emerged .....	35	17	26	24
Winter wheat - Harvested	49	31	37	29

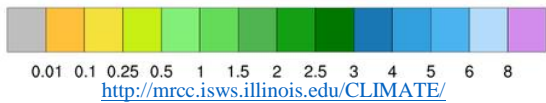
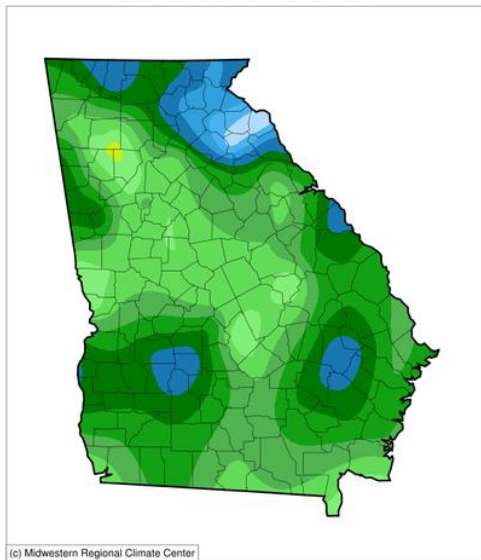
**Conditions for Week Ending 05/24/20**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle .....	1	5	23	60	11
Corn .....	1	4	22	57	16
Oats .....	0	3	31	59	7
Pasture and range ..	2	9	27	53	9
Peaches .....	0	1	18	56	25
Tobacco .....	0	1	42	53	4
Winter wheat .....	0	3	28	61	8

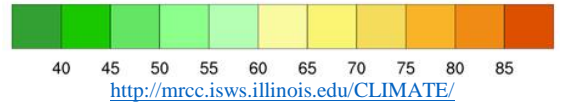
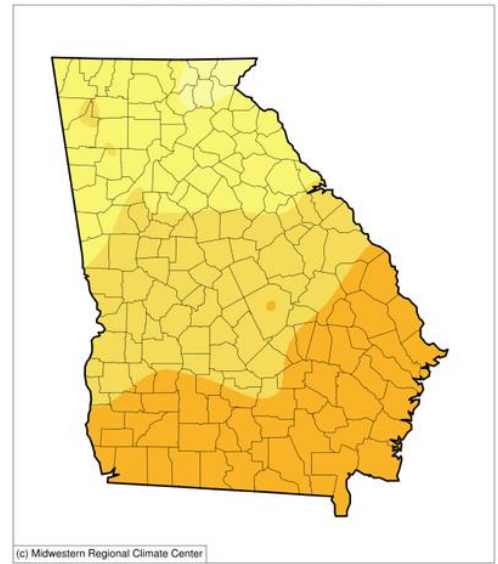
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/24/20**

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short .....	13	2
Short .....	31	18
Adequate .....	53	73
Surplus .....	3	7
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short .....	5	2
Short .....	29	17
Adequate .....	64	76
Surplus .....	2	5

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
May 18, 2020 to May 24, 2020

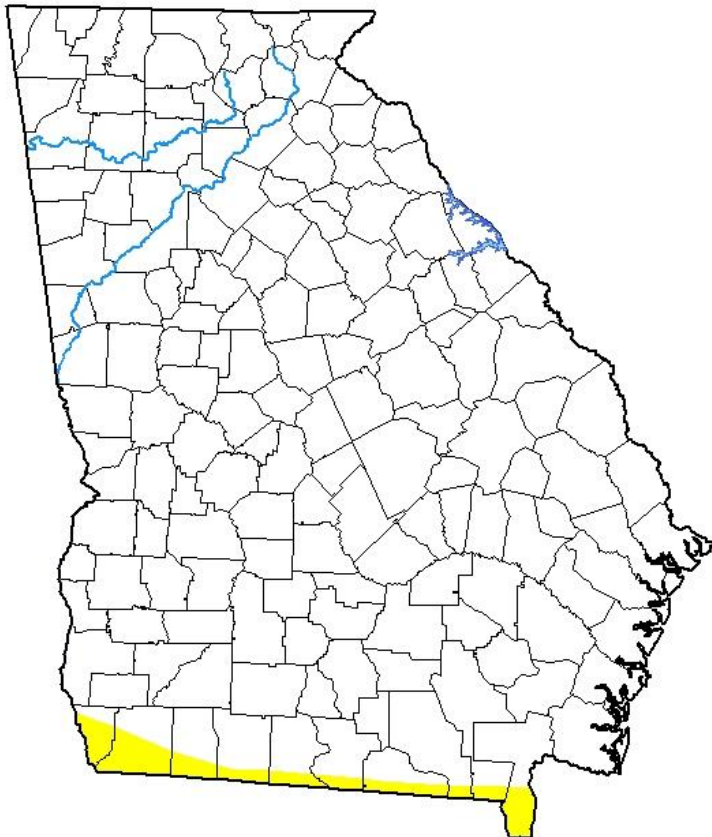


**Average Temperature (°F)**  
May 18, 2020 to May 24, 2020



## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

**May 19, 2020**  
(Released Thursday, May 21, 2020)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	97.58	2.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 05-12-2020	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 02-19-2020	97.63	2.37	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12-31-2019	96.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 10-01-2019	0.00	100.00	61.58	28.35	4.49	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 05-21-2019	32.11	67.89	17.85	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. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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