

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 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 31, 2020. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts of rain to 3.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the high 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 50s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Multiple rain events limited fieldwork in some counties in the central part of the state, while weather in the northern and southern parts of the state allowed many producers to rapidly plant dryland peanut and cotton acres. Producers in southern counties reported concerns that increased moisture from the week's rain will lead to lower germination rates and increased risk for crop disease. Poor seed quality has led to difficulty in attaining uniform and adequate stand of peanuts for some growers. Small grains harvesting was stalled in some southern counties due to wet ground conditions. Tobacco continued to look uniformed and healthy with some areas showing signs of heavy deer damage and indications of virus. Some farmers began the second cuttings of bermudagrass as conditions allowed.

Livestock and Pastures

The warm weather paired with scattered thunderstorms lead to more appearances of flies on cattle throughout the state. Leaf spot was detected in some pastures in the southern part of the state.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/31/20

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Blueberries - Harvested	79	70	82	68	
Corn - Silking	41	13	36	28	
Cotton - Planted	82	57	74	78	
Cotton - Squaring	4	NA	2	3	
Hay - 1st Cutting	89	81	88	85	
Oats - Harvested	73	39	51	56	
Peaches - Harvested	22	24	28	22	
Peanuts - Planted	88	65	81	85	
Soybeans - Planted	64	41	56	53	
Soybeans - Emerged	51	26	41	38	
Tobacco - Topped	1	NA	3	0	
Winter wheat - Harvested	71	37	55	49	

Conditions for Week Ending 05/31/20

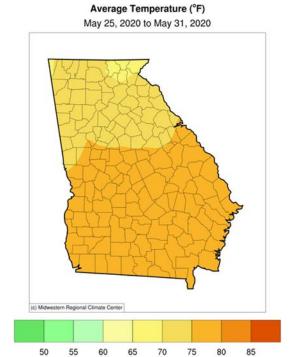
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	5	25	59	10
Corn	1	3	20	59	17
Cotton	0	3	30	61	6
Oats	0	2	32	60	6
Pasture and range	1	7	26	57	9
Peaches	0	2	20	48	30
Peanuts	1	7	29	60	3
Tobacco	0	1	35	59	5
Winter wheat	0	5	28	61	6

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/31/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2	2
Short	18	15
Adequate	73	75
Surplus	7	8
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2	1
Short	17	14
Adequate	76	80
Surplus	5	5

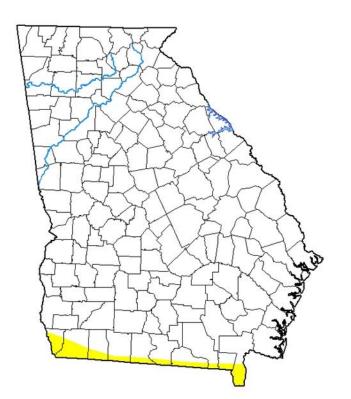
Accumulated Precipitation (in) May 25, 2020 to May 31, 2020 (c) Midwestern Regional Climate Center

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U.S. Drought Monitor

Georgia



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	97.58	2.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 05-19-2020	97.58	2.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 02-25-2020	98.51	1.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2019	96.00	4.00	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	7.43	92.57	30.18	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

None
D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry
D1 Moderate 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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