



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.

August 10, 2020

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 9, 2020. Precipitation ranged from trace amounts of rain to 6.8 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Ongoing high temperatures and a lack of rainfall continued to stress row crops throughout much of the state. In pockets of the state where rainfall was received, growers noted an improvement in crop conditions. Producers in the northern and central parts of the state reported dealing with armyworm, bermudagrass stem maggots, and burrower bugs. Corn harvesting activities were reported across most of the state. Some peanut growers in the western part of the state expressed concerns that dryland peanuts may produce a split crop due to the lack of rain recently. Multiple cotton producers noted that the dry conditions caused some cotton to bloom out the top of the plant. Some hayfields were reported to be in poor condition due to the dry weather. After an unusually early start, peach harvest was nearing completion.

Livestock and Pastures

Pasture conditions continued to decline in many parts of the state that have not had significant rainfall recently. Cattle producers in the central part of the state began feeding hay due to the poor grazing conditions.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/09/20

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Mature	80	68	79	84
Corn - Harvested	26	6	17	23
Cotton - Squaring	99	96	98	98
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	85	76	84	85
Cotton - Bolls Opening	7	0	2	3
Hay - 2nd Cutting	94	94	95	90
Peanuts - Pegging.....	100	97	98	98
Soybeans - Blooming	85	82	87	83
Soybeans - Setting Pods.	59	58	66	58
Tobacco - Harvested	53	41	55	57

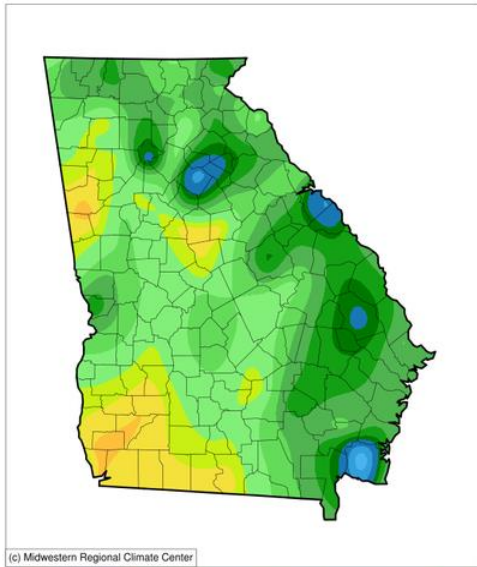
Conditions for Week Ending 08/09/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	5	28	59	7
Corn	1	5	21	57	16
Cotton	1	5	22	57	15
Pasture and range..	3	10	34	46	7
Peanuts.....	1	5	21	58	15
Pecans.....	0	2	16	52	30
Soybeans.....	2	5	27	56	10
Tobacco.....	0	5	28	65	2

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/09/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	13	10
Short	41	45
Adequate.....	45	44
Surplus.....	1	1
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	11	11
Short	39	44
Adequate.....	49	44
Surplus.....	1	1

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 03, 2020 to August 09, 2020

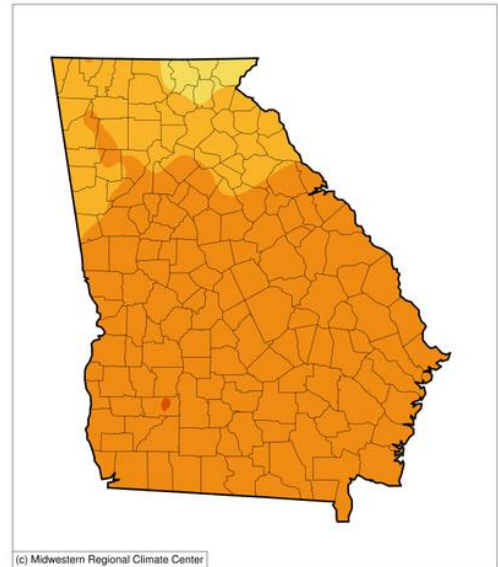


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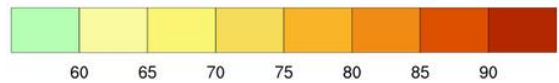


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Average Temperature (°F)
August 03, 2020 to August 09, 2020



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

August 4, 2020

(Released Thursday, Aug. 6, 2020)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	44.95	55.05	2.79	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 07-28-2020	47.47	52.53	1.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 05-05-2020	100.00	0.00	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 08-06-2019	75.77	24.23	5.50	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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