



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.

September 28, 2020

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**General**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 4.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 27, 2020. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 4.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 40s to the high 60s.

**Crops**

Timely rain was beneficial to farmers in the northern part of the state but the corn harvest was completed as weather permitted. The wet conditions slowed the digging and harvest of peanuts across the middle and southern parts of the state. Cotton bolls were open and ready to be defoliated but wet conditions delayed some farmers from entering the fields. In the southern part of the state, farmers noted an increase in boll rot in cotton as a result of the rain Hurricane Sally dropped on the state. Early soybeans were harvested and later groups began to drop leaves. Hay continued to be harvested. Some early pecan varieties were ready for harvest.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Forages were in mostly good condition throughout much of the state; however, some farmers noted foxtail in pastures.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/27/20**

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Harvested.....	98	90	94	97
Cotton - Bolls Opening ....	85	64	74	83
Cotton - Harvested .....	16	1	4	9
Hay - 3rd Cutting .....	86	82	88	83
Oats - Planted .....	1	NA	1	6
Peanuts - Dug .....	41	9	16	33
Peanuts - Harvested.....	24	4	8	19
Rye - Planted .....	7	NA	2	6
Soybeans - Dropping				
Leaves .....	58	40	54	49
Soybeans - Harvested.....	11	2	7	9

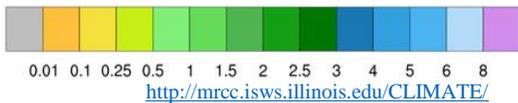
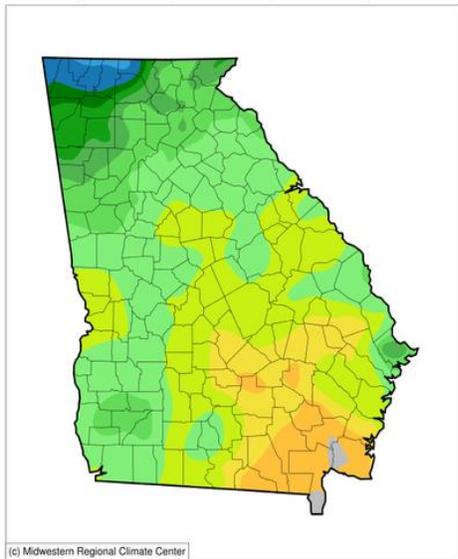
**Conditions for Week Ending 09/27/20**

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle .....	1	5	24	61	9
Cotton .....	2	10	24	54	10
Pasture and range..	2	8	27	55	8
Peanuts.....	1	9	26	53	11
Pecans.....	0	2	15	65	18
Soybeans.....	2	6	26	59	7

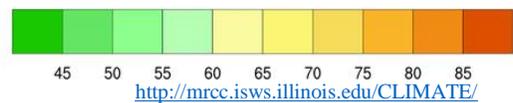
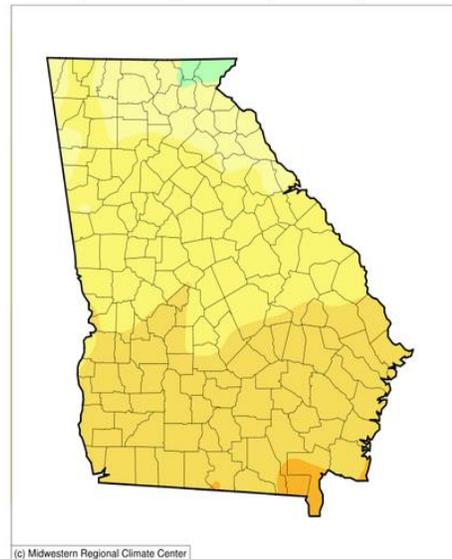
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/27/20**

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	1
Short .....	10	7
Adequate.....	58	64
Surplus.....	30	28
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	3	2
Short .....	10	10
Adequate.....	68	69
Surplus.....	19	19

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
September 21, 2020 to September 27, 2020

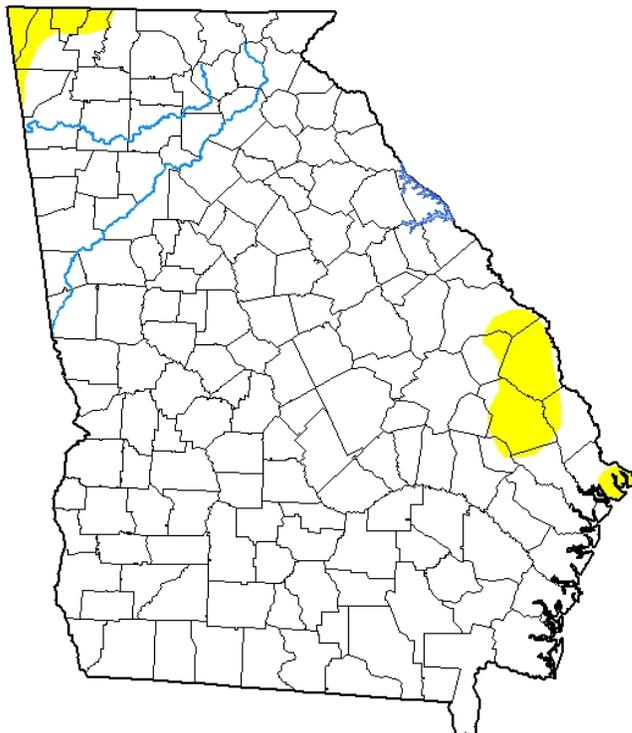


**Average Temperature (°F)**  
September 21, 2020 to September 27, 2020



## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

**September 22, 2020**  
(Released Thursday, Sep. 24, 2020)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	95.73	4.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 09-15-2020	89.50	10.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 06-23-2020	100.00	0.00	0.00	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> 09-24-2019	0.72	99.28	56.20	16.11	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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