



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 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 25, 2020. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 5.1 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50s to the low 70s.

Crops

Scattered showers and morning fog limited the amount harvested in an otherwise dry week. Many farmers reported not being able to get into fields until after noon on most days due to overcast skies. Cotton was defoliated and picked in the central and southern parts of the state. Some farmers reported boll rot and hard lock in the cotton crop which will impact yields. Peanut digging and harvesting continued. Soybeans dropping leaves neared completion and harvest continued across the state. Pecan harvest continued.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle producers across much of the state continued preparing for fall and winter forage planting. In the southeastern part of the state, dry conditions affected farmer's ability to plant forages.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/25/20

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening	97	90	92	97
Cotton - Harvested	54	19	27	43
Oats - Planted	34	32	40	36
Peanuts - Dug	90	62	76	84
Peanuts - Harvested.....	80	42	59	70
Pecans - Harvested.....	19	16	25	18
Rye - Planted	28	24	34	36
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves	93	84	91	94
Soybeans - Harvested.....	46	28	36	41
Winter wheat - Planted	10	13	19	14

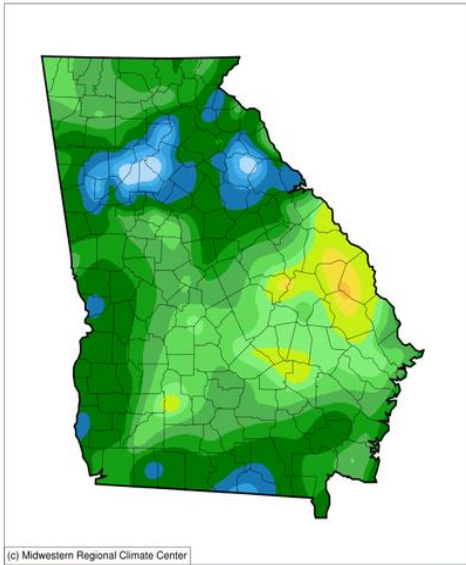
Conditions for Week Ending 10/25/20

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	1	4	24	62	9
Cotton	3	12	28	49	8
Pasture and range..	3	8	32	51	6
Peanuts.....	1	6	25	55	13
Pecans.....	0	2	12	56	30
Soybeans.....	3	6	26	57	8

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/25/20

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	1	4
Short	33	35
Adequate.....	64	56
Surplus.....	2	5
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	2	4
Short	28	31
Adequate.....	67	62
Surplus.....	3	3

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 19, 2020 to October 25, 2020



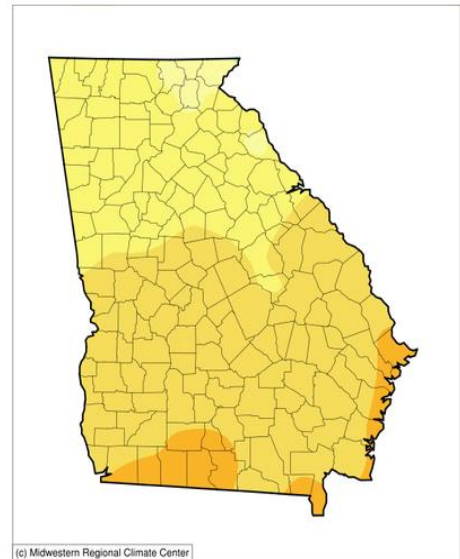
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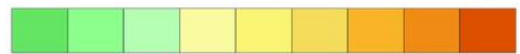
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Average Temperature (°F)
October 19, 2020 to October 25, 2020



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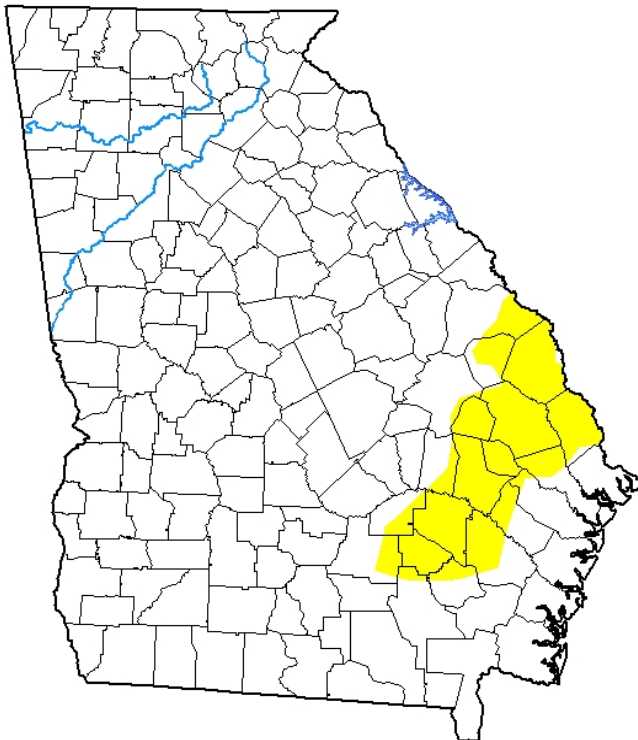


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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

October 20, 2020
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Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	90.94	9.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-13-2020	95.41	4.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-21-2020	73.05	26.95	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 09-29-2020	97.20	2.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 10-22-2019	0.00	100.00	88.56	35.48	5.72	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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