

January 4, 2021

GEORGIA: Total rainfall for the month ranged from no rain in a few locations to 5.3 inches in White County. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, December began with 37.5% percent of the state abnormally dry and by the end of the month, 34.2% was abnormally dry. Cold temperatures started early in the month and continued throughout the month. Ample rainfall in the last week of the month significantly affected planting and harvesting activities with some locations receiving 6 inches of rain. Freezing temperatures and heavy rains caused pasture conditions to be less than ideal and sloppy. Winter grazing and small grains were slow to grow due to the cold temperatures but benefitted from the rain. Hay consumptions for the month was mostly normal but availability was somewhat low in parts of north Georgia. Most of the cotton in the middle and southern part of the state was picked at the conclusion of the month. Pecan harvest moved closer to completion.