General
According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 1, 2021. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 2.94 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from mid 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the high 70s.

Crops
Rainfall from the past month subsided, but humidity was high and was the hottest week of the summer. Corn fields continued to move toward black layer maturity and the first corn of the season was harvested. Peanuts were lapping the row middles and are setting full sized pods on the earliest fruit. Cotton continued to set bolls and reports indicate that boll weights are heavy this year. Stink bugs were noted in some areas. Late planted cotton has struggled to recover from the wet conditions in July that limited much needed fertilizer and herbicide applications. Soybeans were rated in mostly good condition, with considerable progress having been made blooming and setting pods this week. A relatively rain-free week allowed hay harvest to continue, although armyworms were again noted to have been found in hayfields across the state.

Livestock and Pastures
Livestock and pastures were generally in good condition throughout the state. Livestock had plenty of grazing. However, armyworms and stem maggots were noted as an issue in pastures.