



**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.

April 18, 2022

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**General**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, April 17, 2022. Precipitation for the state ranged from trace amounts to 2.0 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the low 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the low 60s.

**Crops**

Conditions across the state allowed for ample fieldwork as temperatures continued to rise and minimal rainfall occurred. This allowed for good progress for many spring plantings after a wet start of the month. Corn was reported to be in good condition as fields continued to be planted. Hogs rooting up fields were reported to be an issue for corn farmers in southwest Georgia. Cotton and peanuts fields were prepared for planting by applying burndown herbicides. Planting is anticipated to ramp up in the following weeks. Small grains continued to head out as they maintained good conditions. Farmers were proactively spraying fungicides for scab and foliar diseases. Wheat yield potential was reported to be good to above average in some areas.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Livestock were generally in good condition throughout the state. Cattle producers continued to feed hay with some producers running low on hay supplies. Standing water in some areas caused concern for increased fungal conditions with livestock hooves. Warm weather helped pastures green up and continue in good condition.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 04/17/22**

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries - Harvested	9	NA	10	10
Corn – Planted .....	80	60	75	83
Corn – Emerged.....	66	43	56	67
Cotton – Planted.....	5	0	1	3
Hay – First Cutting.....	6	NA	3	5
Onions – Harvested.....	20	NA	34	16
Peaches – Blooming ....	97	91	96	95
Peanuts – Planted.....	1	NA	1	1
Tobacco - Transplanted	51	24	44	54
Winter wheat – Headed	72	60	74	77

(NA) Not available

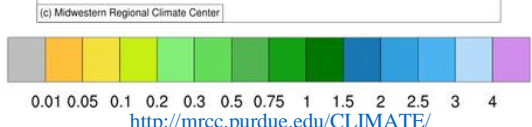
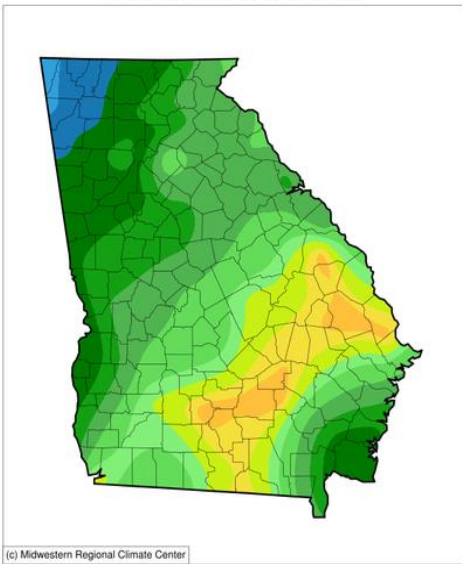
**Conditions for Week Ending 04/17/22**

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries.....	38	30	26	5	1
Cattle .....	1	4	21	63	11
Oats .....	1	9	35	52	3
Onions .....	0	0	36	54	10
Pasture and Range .	2	7	27	53	11
Peaches.....	0	0	11	63	26
Winter wheat.....	1	6	37	49	7

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 04/17/22**

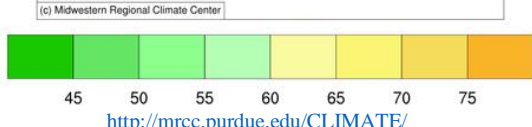
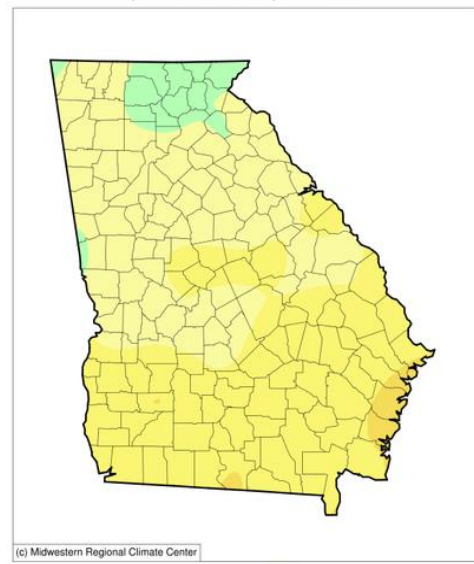
Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	3	3
Short .....	6	8
Adequate.....	73	76
Surplus.....	18	13
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	3	4
Short .....	4	8
Adequate.....	75	76
Surplus.....	18	12

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
April 11, 2022 to April 17, 2022



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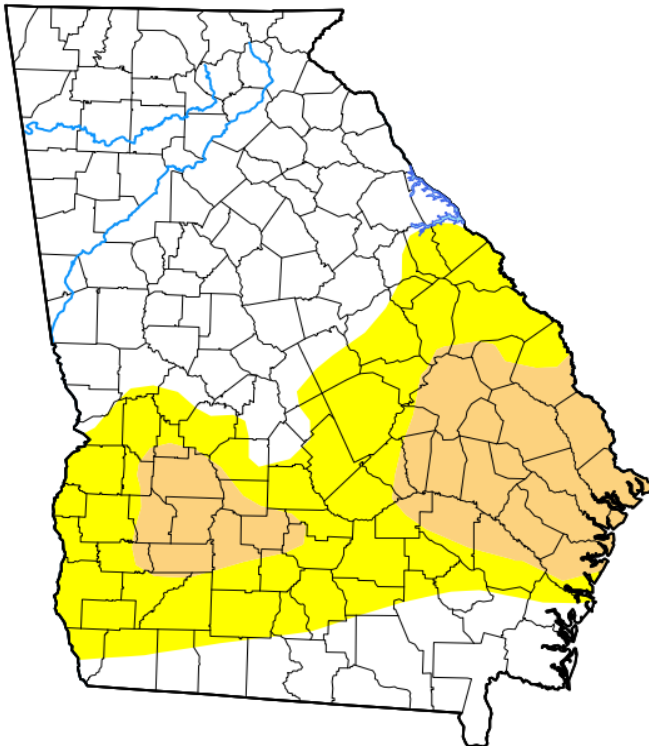
**Average Temperature (°F)**  
April 11, 2022 to April 17, 2022



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

**April 12, 2022**  
(Released Thursday, Apr. 14, 2022)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	54.28	45.72	17.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>04-05-2022</i>	45.79	54.21	28.13	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>01-11-2022</i>	85.34	14.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-04-2022</i>	97.01	2.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-28-2021</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>04-13-2021</i>	92.29	7.71	0.00	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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