



United States Department of Agriculture
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**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 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 17, 2022. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 5.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

A second consecutive week of scattered rainfall across most of the state helped continue to alleviate drought pressure. Corn fields matured and were entering the black layer stage. Leaf scorch from dry conditions and Japanese beetles were both reported as issues for corn in northern Georgia. Cotton fields continued to square and set bolls. Growth regulators are expected to be applied over the upcoming weeks with fields growing strong after recent rains. Wet conditions did cause delays with fungicide applications on peanuts as well as herbicide applications on soybeans and cotton. Peanut fields continued to peg as soybeans were blooming and setting pods. Tobacco fields were noted to be looking better as the soil moisture conditions have improved over the past few weeks. Peach harvest continued to progress and was reported to have been running smoothly. Hayfields greened up but have been difficult to cut due to the wet conditions. Hay quality in central Georgia was reportedly deteriorating from sitting in wet fields.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle remained in good condition throughout the state. Flies were reported to be an issue on cattle. Pasture conditions continued to improve as fields have benefitted from recent precipitation and greened back up.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/17/22

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	19	13	31	32
Cotton - Squaring.....	85	76	85	83
Cotton - Setting Bolls	32	24	38	41
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	65	52	61	68
Peaches - Harvested	78	77	85	82
Peanuts - Pegging	84	75	87	85
Soybeans - Blooming.....	52	40	56	48
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	22	13	26	16
Tobacco - Topped.....	90	83	90	91
Tobacco - Harvested	14	7	12	25

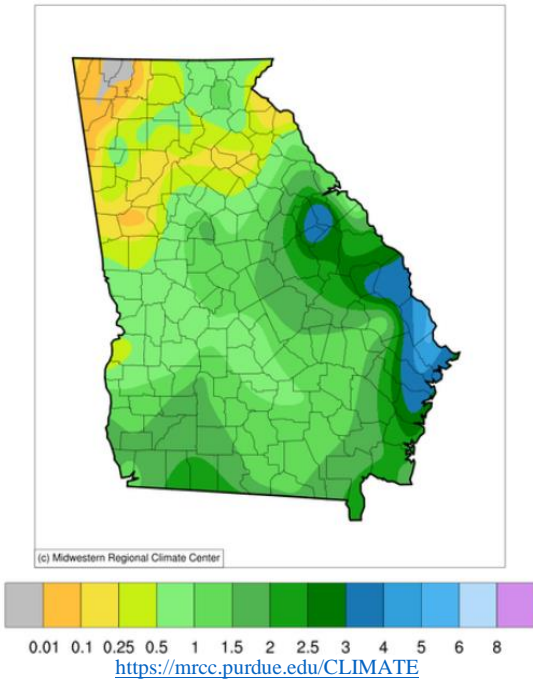
Conditions for Week Ending 07/17/22

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	1	5	30	56	8
Corn	5	12	29	44	10
Cotton.....	1	5	30	53	11
Pasture and range	5	12	45	33	5
Peanuts	1	4	27	57	11
Soybeans	2	6	39	46	7
Tobacco.....	2	7	44	41	6

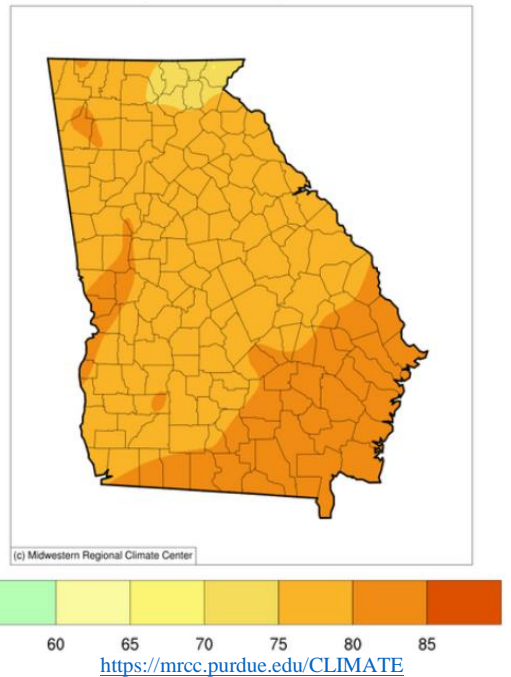
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/17/22

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	11	5
Short.....	32	19
Adequate	53	64
Surplus	4	12
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	9	6
Short.....	34	25
Adequate	54	58
Surplus	3	11

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 11, 2022 to July 17, 2022

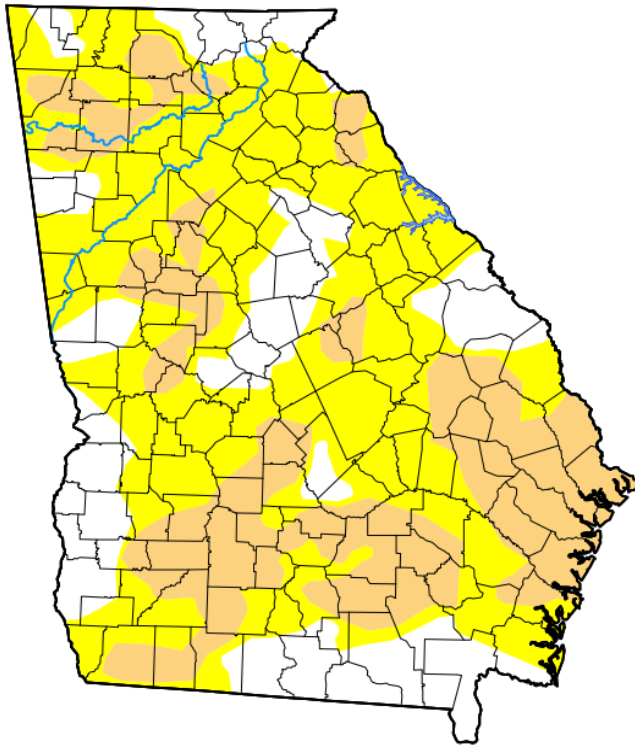


Average Temperature (°F)
July 11, 2022 to July 17, 2022



U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

July 12, 2022
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Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.13	77.87	28.71	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>07-05-2022</i>	10.16	89.84	49.62	6.55	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>04-12-2022</i>	54.28	45.72	17.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2022</i>	97.01	2.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-28-2021</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>07-13-2021</i>	100.00	0.00	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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