



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.

August 29, 2022

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 28, 2022. Precipitation ranged from 0.2 inches to 7.4 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Heavy rainfall in the central and eastern parts of the state helped maintained adequate soil moisture levels but also slowed harvesting activities. The humidity and rainfall also increased disease pressure for crops.

Corn fields neared complete maturity throughout the state and fields continued to be harvested as weather conditions permitted. High moisture in grains caused harvest to be slowed, although growers with on-farm dryers were able to continue harvesting. Cotton fields were finishing setting bolls as bolls continued to open. Boll rot was reported across southern Georgia due to the wet weather. Farmers were worried this might jeopardize cotton yields and quality. Peanuts were reported to be in mostly good condition, although disease pressure was noted to be high at this time. Soybean fields continued to set pods and drop leaves. Early soybeans were reported to be yellowing up and harvest is anticipated to begin in a couple of weeks. Hay producers continued to cut hay as weather permitted, although fall armyworms continued to be an issue in hayfields.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle remained in good condition throughout the state. Nighttime temperatures started to decline and was beneficial for livestock. Pastures remained in mostly good to fair condition. Pasture growth was able to keep up with grazing for livestock.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/28/22

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	93	93	96	96
Corn - Harvested	51	40	56	63
Cotton - Setting Bolls	94	92	95	96
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	20	12	21	23
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	98	92	95	98
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	23	15	28	30
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	83	83	90	84
Soybeans - Drop Leaves ...	6	1	10	5
Tobacco - Harvested	77	68	78	80

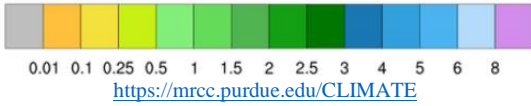
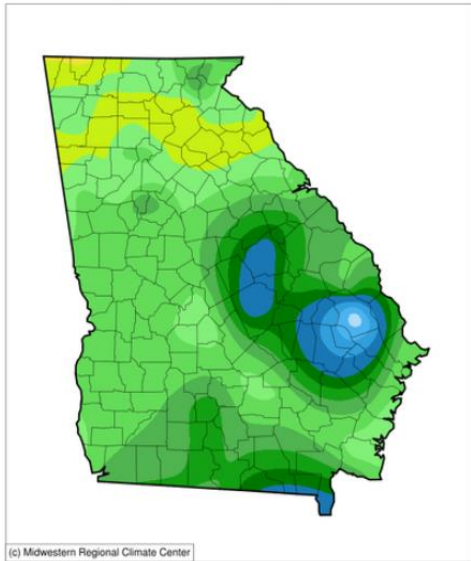
Conditions for Week Ending 08/28/22

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	5	25	61	8
Corn	4	11	29	47	9
Cotton.....	1	5	28	54	12
Pasture and range	3	9	35	46	7
Peanuts	1	5	26	56	12
Pecans	0	2	18	68	12
Soybeans	2	4	28	58	8

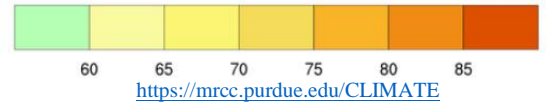
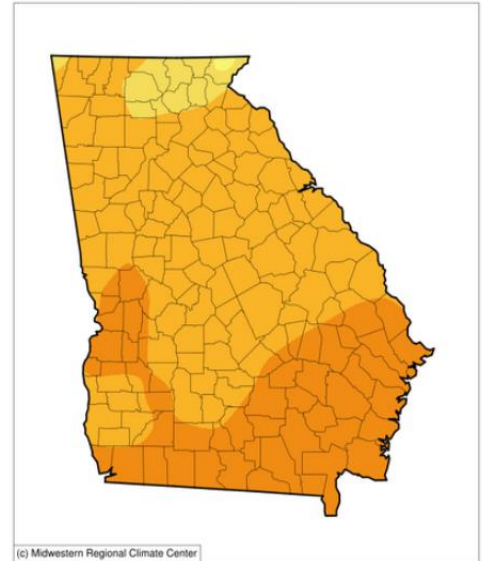
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/28/22

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	6	3
Short.....	16	11
Adequate	67	76
Surplus	11	10
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	5	3
Short.....	17	13
Adequate	65	74
Surplus	13	10

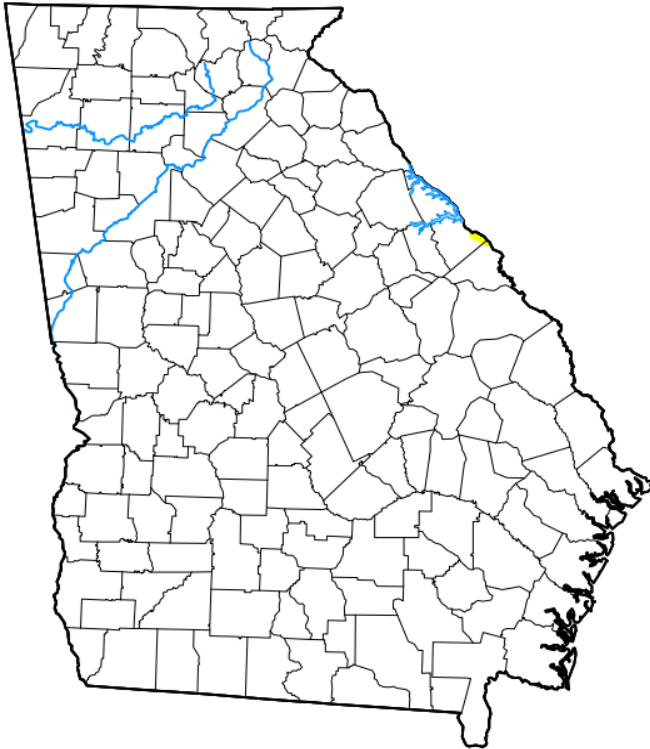
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 22, 2022 to August 28, 2022



Average Temperature (°F)
August 22, 2022 to August 28, 2022



U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



August 23, 2022
(Released Thursday, Aug. 25, 2022)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	99.95	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-16-2022</i>	85.25	14.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-24-2022</i>	44.98	55.02	9.41	3.31	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>08-24-2021</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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