

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.

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 3.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 18, 2023. Precipitation ranged from 0.3 inches to 8.9 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the low 70s.

Crops

Heavy rainfall, primarily in the southern part of the state, caused soil moisture levels to be replenished to adequate and surplus levels after a few dry weeks. This limited the days suitable for fieldwork in many areas. Some excessive rainfall, hail and winds across southern Georgia were reported to have blown down trees and washed out some fields. Hail damage was reported for corn, cotton, and vegetables. Corn fields continued silking and was noted to be looking better after the muchneeded rain. Cotton planting was complete, and plants continued to square with some beginning to set bolls. Some cotton fields in southern Georgia were in poor condition due to waterlogged soils that were inhibiting growth and development. Soybeans continued to progress with reports that stands were looking good so far. Deer were noted as to have damaged some cotton and soybean fields in central Georgia. Heavy winds knocked down some tobacco over in southern Georgia and growers won't be able to get into fields to spray for a few days. Small grains harvesting continued to progress when weather conditions allowed.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture and ranges were in good to fair condition throughout the state. The rainfall relieved drought stress on pastures and they began to green back up.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/18/23

| Crop stage | Prev year | Prev week | This week | 5 Year avg |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Blueberries - Harvested | 95 | 84 | 88 | 89 |
| Corn - Silking | 76 | 61 | 74 | 79 |
| Cotton - Planted | 95 | 93 | 95 | 96 |
| Cotton - Squaring | 24 | 14 | 25 | 30 |
| Cotton - Setting Bolls | 1 | NA | 1 | 1 |
| Hay - 1st Cutting | 95 | 91 | 93 | 96 |
| Oats - Harvested | 92 | 79 | 88 | 91 |
| Peaches - Harvested | 45 | 34 | 42 | 45 |
| Peanuts - Pegging | 24 | 6 | 19 | 27 |
| Soybeans - Planted | 87 | 81 | 85 | 86 |
| Soybeans - Emerged | 76 | 62 | 72 | 73 |
| Soybeans - Blooming | 7 | 2 | 12 | 5 |
| Tobacco - Topped | 22 | 22 | 38 | 30 |
| Winter wheat - Harvested | 95 | 84 | 91 | 93 |

(NA) Not available.

Conditions for Week Ending 06/18/23

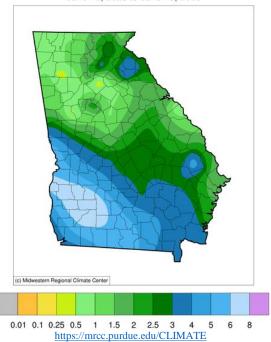
| Crop | Very poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Cattle | 1 | 5 | 25 | 59 | 10 |
| Corn | 2 | 4 | 21 | 60 | 13 |
| Cotton | 2 | 6 | 35 | 48 | 9 |
| Pasture and range | 3 | 9 | 34 | 49 | 5 |
| Peaches | 9 | 3 | 4 | 78 | 6 |
| Peanuts | 1 | 6 | 29 | 57 | 7 |
| Soybeans | 1 | 2 | 28 | 63 | 6 |
| Tobacco | 5 | 10 | 34 | 49 | 2 |

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/18/23

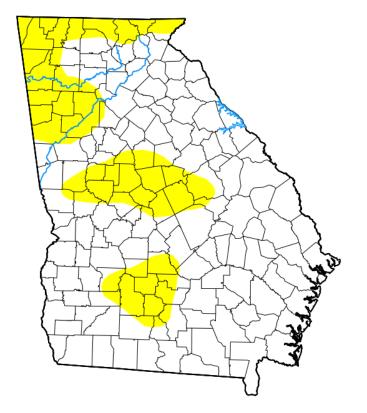
| Topsoil | Previous week | This week |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) |
| Very shortShort | 12 29 | 1 11 |
| Adequate | 57 2 | 64 24 |
| Subsoil | Previous week | This week |
| | (percent) | (percent) |
| Very short | 8 29 62 1 | 1 9 69 21 |

Accumulated Precipitation (in)

June 12, 2023 to June 18, 2023

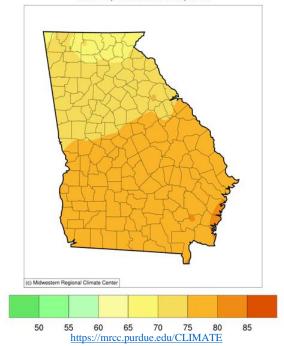


U.S. Drought Monitor
Georgia



Average Temperature (°F)

June 12, 2023 to June 18, 2023



June 13, 2023

(Released Thursday, Jun. 15, 2023) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 76.32 | 23.68 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week 06-06-2023 | 93.05 | 6.95 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago 03-14-2023 | 81.23 | 18.77 | 4.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2023 | 46.36 | 53.64 | 28.04 | 4.81 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 09-27-2022 | 76.20 | 23.80 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago 06-14-2022 | 50.14 | 49.86 | 15.93 | 3.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Intensity:

| None | D2 Severe Drought |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| D0 Abnormally Dry | D3 Extreme Drought |
| D1 Moderate 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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