



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 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 23, 2023. Precipitation ranged from 0.1 inches to 3.7 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Extreme winds across parts of northern and central Georgia at the end of the week caused damage in many areas. Widespread power outages, downed trees and fences and some cattle killed were reported in northern Georgia. Corn fields continued to mature and reach black layer. Fields in central Georgia were being scouted for southern rust. Cotton continued squaring and setting bolls. Cotton and peanuts across southern Georgia needed rain as they were at their peak moisture requirements given the elevated temperatures throughout the week. Soybeans continued blooming and setting pods at pace with historical levels. Pivots were running in southeastern Georgia to help keep up with the moisture needs of crops.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures were in good to fair condition throughout the state. Intense heat in central Georgia put a strain on cattle forages. After the severe weather, farmers had to ensure fencing was secure and fixed due to damage.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/23/23

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	42	20	33	45
Cotton - Squaring	89	76	88	90
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	49	28	45	53
Hay - 2nd Cutting	69	57	68	77
Peaches - Harvested.....	89	71	78	84
Peanuts - Pegging.....	90	78	87	91
Soybeans - Blooming	69	49	63	63
Soybeans - Setting Pods....	39	22	33	31
Tobacco - Topped	94	82	85	94
Tobacco - Harvested.....	18	16	34	28

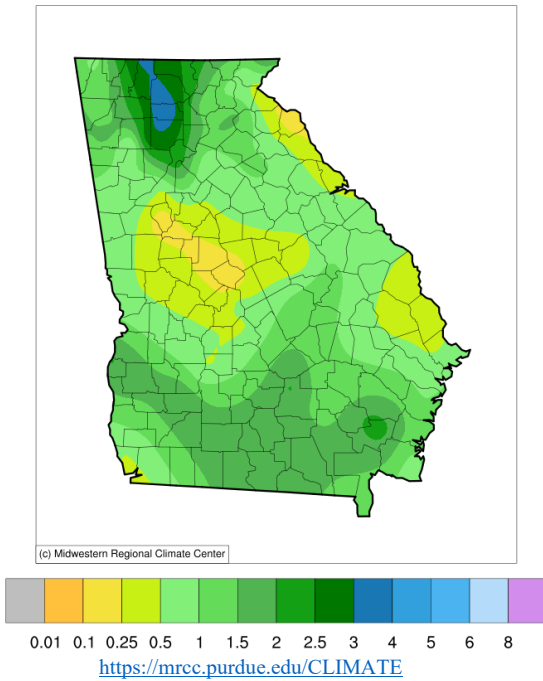
Conditions for Week Ending 07/23/23

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	1	4	24	57	14
Corn.....	1	3	21	56	19
Cotton.....	1	5	23	60	11
Pasture and range.....	2	8	32	51	7
Peanuts	1	5	23	62	9
Soybeans	1	2	28	60	9
Tobacco.....	1	2	41	54	2

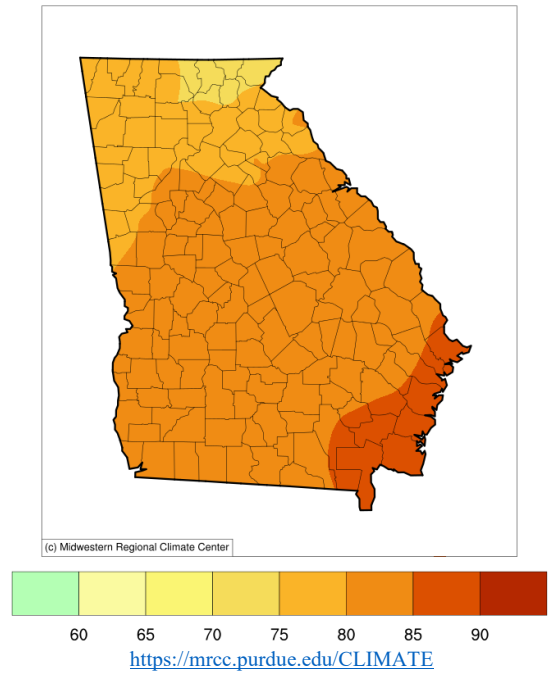
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/23/23

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	4	9
Short.....	29	34
Adequate	63	55
Surplus	4	2
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	3	5
Short.....	22	29
Adequate	69	63
Surplus	6	3

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 17, 2023 to July 23, 2023

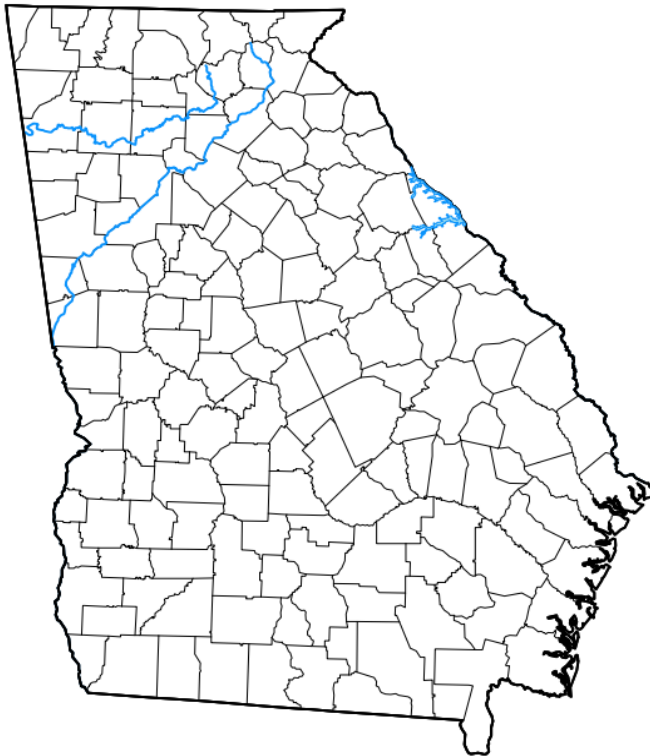


Average Temperature (°F)
July 17, 2023 to July 23, 2023



U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

July 18, 2023
(Released Thursday, Jul. 20, 2023)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>07-11-2023</i>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>04-18-2023</i>	90.46	9.54	2.99	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2023</i>	46.36	53.64	28.04	4.81	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2022</i>	76.20	23.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>07-19-2022</i>	41.83	58.17	7.50	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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