



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 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 13, 2023. Precipitation ranged from 0.3 inches to 4.5 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Good rainfall amounts across most of the state helped to maintain adequate moisture levels, however with high temperatures, moisture levels are expected to dissipate quickly. Corn fields continued to mature as harvest progressed. Early planted corn was noted to be having good yields, however later planted corn yield is expected to fall off due to the heat and drier conditions during pollination. Severe storms with sustained winds hit northern and central Georgia and caused some damage to corn fields. Cotton was finishing up squaring, continued setting bolls and was beginning to have bolls open in early fields. Disease and insect pressure was rising as both tomato spotted wilt virus and stinkbugs were noted to be an issue in cotton. White mold was found in central Georgia peanuts as the crop was nearing completion of pegging.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures were in good to fair condition throughout the state. High temperatures made ensuring adequate availability of shade and water a vital focus for livestock producers. Much needed rainfall in many areas helped to improve pasture condition levels.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/13/23

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	85	62	74	84
Corn - Harvested	24	13	24	27
Cotton - Squaring.....	99	96	98	99
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	85	72	81	86
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	5	1	3	6
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	88	88	91	92
Peaches - Harvested	98	93	95	97
Peanuts - Pegging	100	96	98	99
Soybeans - Blooming.....	91	80	84	88
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	69	54	61	66
Tobacco - Harvested	57	63	75	60

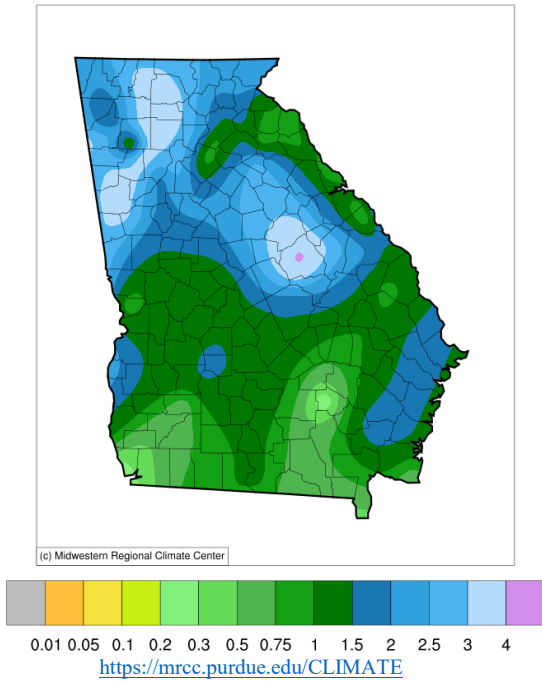
Conditions for Week Ending 08/13/23

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	4	27	56	12
Corn	2	5	20	57	16
Cotton.....	2	7	24	58	9
Pasture and range	2	8	32	49	9
Peanuts	2	6	24	59	9
Pecans	2	3	25	62	8
Soybeans	2	4	25	60	9

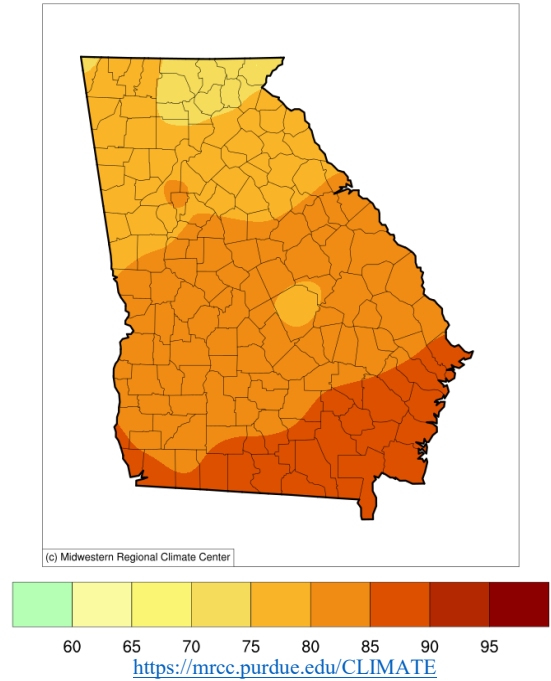
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/13/23

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	4	5
Short.....	24	21
Adequate	64	68
Surplus	8	6
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	2	2
Short.....	19	23
Adequate	74	71
Surplus	5	4

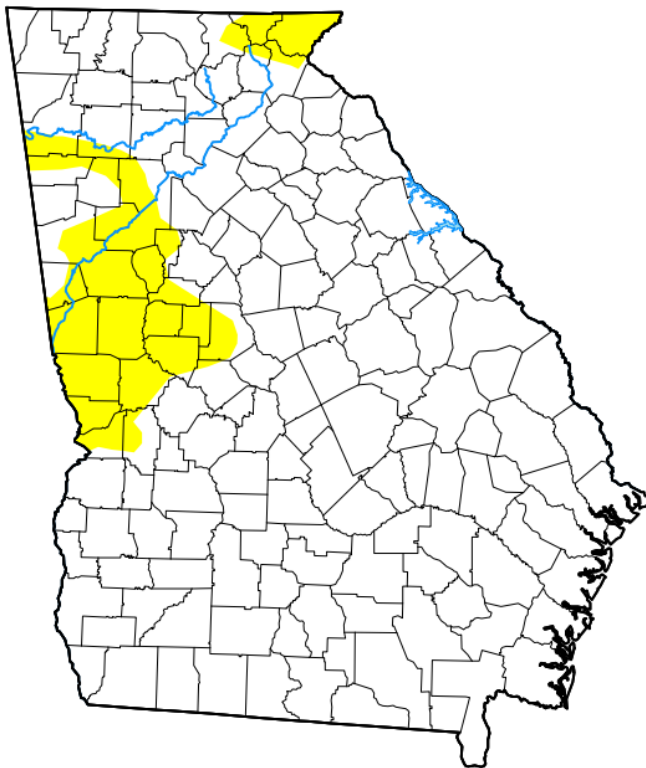
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 07, 2023 to August 13, 2023



Average Temperature (°F)
August 07, 2023 to August 13, 2023



U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



August 8, 2023
(Released Thursday, Aug. 10, 2023)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	88.70	11.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-01-2023</i>	90.02	9.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-09-2023</i>	80.56	19.44	0.00	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>08-09-2022</i>	77.04	22.96	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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