

## **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 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 5, 2023. Precipitation ranged from no rain to only trace amounts. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 30s to the low 50s.

## Crops

Another week of little to no rainfall across most of the state caused soil moisture levels to further deplete. According to the US Drought Monitor on October 31, 4.6 percent of the state had extreme drought conditions, 11.4 percent had severe drought conditions, 33.3 percent had moderate drought conditions, and 49.8 percent had abnormally dry conditions. Cooler temperatures arrived midweek, with many areas noting their first frost of the year on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Farmers made good progress harvesting cotton, peanuts, pecans, and soybeans with the dry conditions persisting. The frost last week caused cotton and peanut growth to slow down and caused some concern for later planted varieties. Planting of small grains continued to progress as harvesting of other crops wrapped up. Small grain plantings were delayed in some areas due to the lack of rain.

## **Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle were in mostly good condition and pasture was in fair to good condition. The early frost and continued dry weather caused pasture conditions to suffer. Livestock were fed hay to offset grazing losses from the fall and producers were dealing with water shortages in some areas.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/05/23** 

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Harvested	56	32	46	54
Oats - Planted	47	49	58	49
Onions - Transplanted	1	NA	4	3
Peanuts - Dug	95	82	90	93
Peanuts - Harvested	88	67	79	82
Pecans - Harvested	37	20	35	35
Rye - Planted	39	40	49	42
Soybeans - Harvested	60	48	63	54
Winter wheat - Planted	21	22	29	23
Winter wheat - Emerged	7	2	10	7

(NA) Not available.

## **Conditions for Week Ending 11/05/23**

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	2	6	33	49	10
Cotton	1	7	27	58	7
Pasture and range	11	22	35	29	3
Pecans	1	4	28	53	14

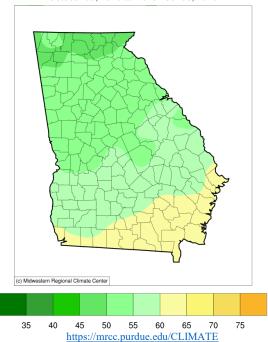
## Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/05/23

Topsoil	Previous week	This week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	24	31	
Short	31	37	
Adequate	44	31	
Surplus	1	1	
Subsoil	Previous week	This week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	21	25	
Short	28	36	
Adequate	50	38	
Surplus	1	1	

# Accumulated Precipitation (in) October 30, 2023 to November 05, 2023

Average Temperature (°F)

October 30, 2023 to November 05, 2023



# U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

0.01 0.02 0.03 0.05 0.07 0.1 0.15 0.2 0.25 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.75

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## October 31, 2023

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	50.16	49.84	33.31	11.39	4.59	0.00
Last Week 10-24-2023	55.12	44.88	22.91	5.89	1.38	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-01-2023	90.02	9.98	0.00	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 09-26-2023	78.43	21.57	4.17	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago	23.41	76.59	39.53	15.66	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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