



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.

November 13, 2023

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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, November 12, 2023. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 1.4 inches of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the low 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the low 50s.

Crops

Most of the state received rainfall at the end of last week. This helped alleviate some moisture needs, although most areas needed additional rainfall to adequately replenish soil moisture levels. According to the US Drought Monitor on November 7, 1.8 percent of the state was experiencing exceptional drought conditions, 6.6 percent had extreme drought conditions, 16 percent had severe drought conditions, 37.4 percent had moderate drought conditions, and 60.5 percent had abnormally dry conditions.

Cotton harvesting continued to make good progress. Some upper bowl damage was noted in eastern Georgia due to the early frost from the previous week. Producers were actively digging and harvesting peanuts during the week, with many areas nearing completion. Planting of small grains continued to progress as harvesting of other crops wrapped up.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle were in mostly good condition while pasture conditions were mostly fair to poor. Livestock continued to be fed hay, with some cattlemen being at least one month ahead on hay feeding. Fluctuating temperatures were also noted to have been causing stress on livestock. Pasture conditions were declining with the lack of rain over the last month. The dryness also delayed the planting and overseeding of new pastures and hayfields.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/12/23

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Harvested.....	67	46	57	63
Oats - Planted.....	57	58	65	58
Onions - Transplanted	5	4	12	10
Peanuts - Dug.....	97	90	94	96
Peanuts - Harvested	92	79	87	88
Pecans - Harvested	43	35	48	45
Rye - Planted.....	46	49	54	51
Soybeans - Harvested	72	63	74	65
Winter wheat - Planted.....	26	29	33	30
Winter wheat - Emerged	13	10	14	15

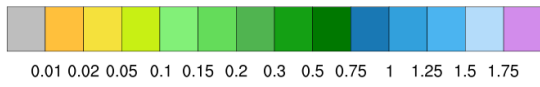
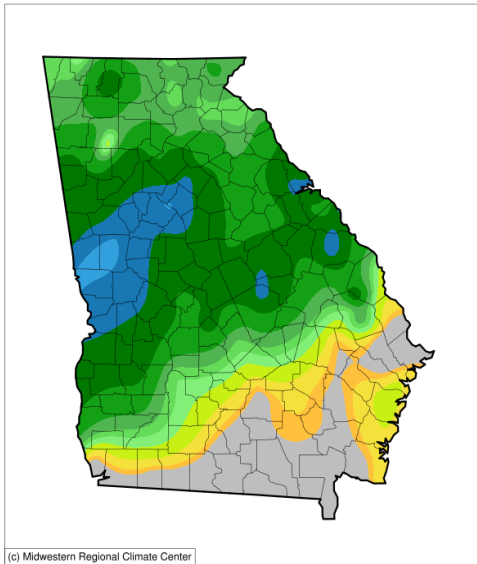
Conditions for Week Ending 11/12/23

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	7	36	48	8
Oats.....	0	6	31	62	1
Pasture and range	14	29	28	26	3
Pecans	1	4	27	54	14
Rye.....	0	6	30	64	0

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/12/23

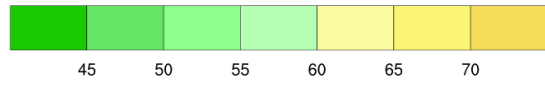
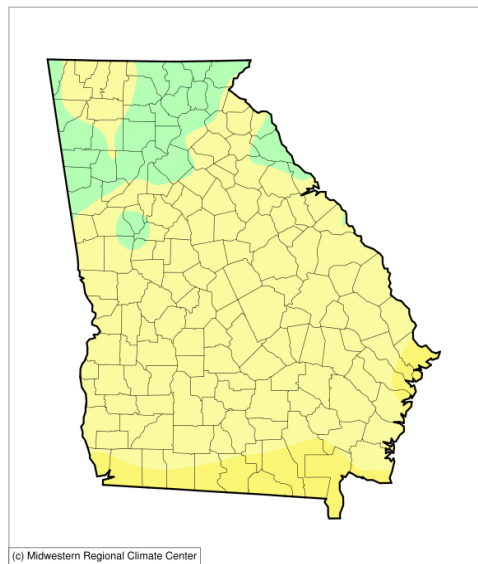
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	31	38
Short.....	37	31
Adequate	31	31
Surplus	1	0
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	25	34
Short.....	36	34
Adequate	38	32
Surplus	1	0

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
November 06, 2023 to November 12, 2023



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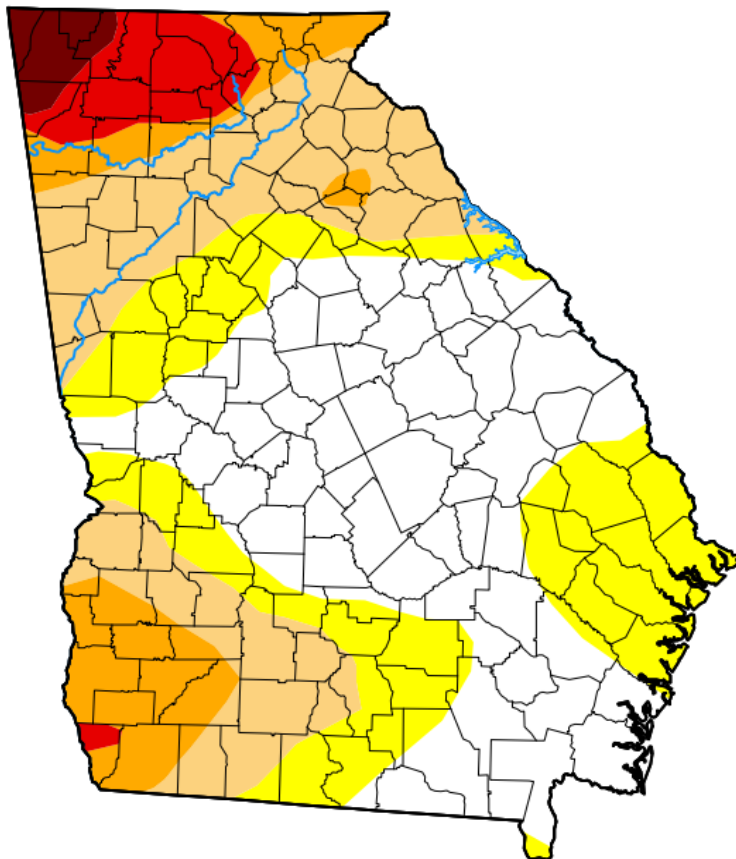
Average Temperature (°F)
November 06, 2023 to November 12, 2023



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

November 7, 2023
(Released Thursday, Nov. 9, 2023)
Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	39.48	60.52	37.42	15.97	6.59	1.82
Last Week 10-31-2023	50.16	49.84	33.31	11.39	4.59	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-08-2023	88.70	11.30	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 11-08-2022	15.32	84.68	51.88	28.92	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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