



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.

September 9, 2024

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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, September 8, 2024. Precipitation totals from available reporting stations ranged from no rain to 3.4 inches of rain throughout the week. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the high 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the mid 70s.

**Crops**

It was a dry week for most of the state last week, with only the southwestern and southeastern regions of the state receiving a notable amount of precipitation. The dry weather continued to negatively affect dryland crops across the state, with widespread reports of stress received. Reporters noted that some fields were beyond saving due to prolonged drought conditions, as well as irrigation systems that were fully exhausted. Despite the continued dry weather, lower temperatures did benefit some crops and allowed for more field work, with corn harvest on schedule. Grain sorghum planted after wheat was reported to be in mostly good condition, with strong yields expected. Along with continued armyworm issues, reporters noted spider mites were a concern as well.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle were in mostly good to fair condition, while pastures were in mostly fair to poor condition. Armyworms, combined with dry weather for most of the state, continued to negatively impact pastures. Operators continued to feed supplemental hay to cattle.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 9/8/24**

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Harvested .....	77	68	82	78
Cotton - Setting Bolls .....	97	95	97	99
Cotton - Bolls Opening .....	34	28	44	43
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	50	32	40	57
Peanuts - Dug.....	2	1	2	3
Peanuts - Harvested .....	1	NA	1	1
Soybeans - Setting Pods ...	86	89	94	92
Soybeans - Drop Leaves ...	24	26	37	23

(NA) Not Available

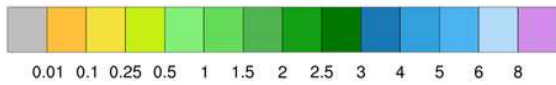
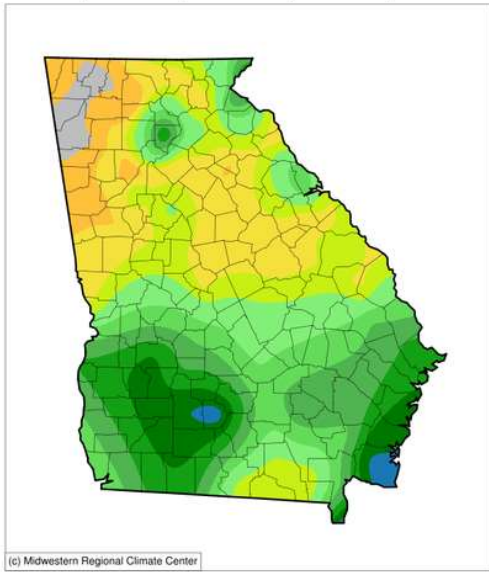
**Conditions for Week Ending 9/8/24**

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	3	9	31	48	9
Cotton.....	2	11	35	44	8
Pasture and range ....	17	27	32	23	1
Peanuts .....	2	9	33	47	9
Soybeans .....	3	10	35	49	3

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 9/8/24**

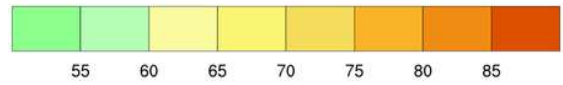
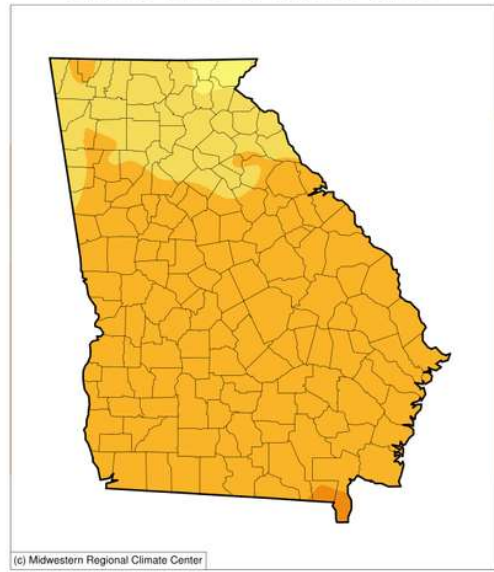
Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	29	33
Short.....	43	28
Adequate .....	27	34
Surplus .....	1	5
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	24	22
Short.....	35	39
Adequate .....	41	37
Surplus .....	0	2

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
September 02, 2024 to September 08, 2024



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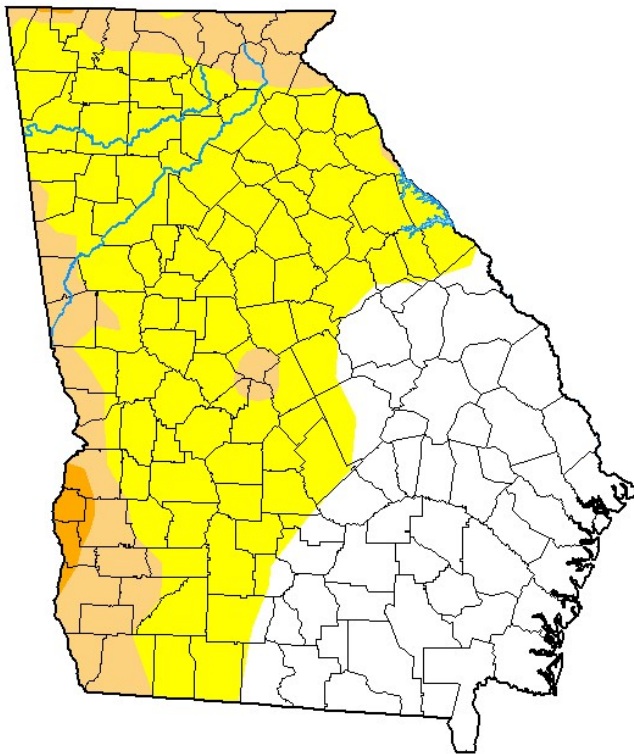
**Average Temperature (°F)**  
September 02, 2024 to September 08, 2024



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

**September 3, 2024**  
(Released Thursday, Sep. 5, 2024)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	36.09	63.91	13.78	1.05	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 08-27-2024	48.16	51.84	3.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 06-04-2024	98.35	1.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-02-2024	46.66	53.34	28.92	11.91	0.07	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-26-2023	78.43	21.57	4.17	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 09-05-2023	90.01	9.99	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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