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According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, Georgia's February climate warmed slightly from January. Precipitation estimates for the month in Georgia ranged from an inch in the eastern piedmont region of the state up to 5 inches in the Southwestern coastal plain area of the state. The month's average temperature ranged from the lower 40s to the upper 50s. All of Georgia was warmer than normal for this time of year and received less chill hours than were received in February of 2011. Rains have given Georgia some relief from the exceptional drought; however, extreme drought still covers over two-thirds of the state compared to 0% one year ago. Field activities include preparation for spring planting and routine care of poultry and livestock.