



United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service  
**Georgia Crop Progress  
and Condition Report**



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**General**

According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 18, 2014. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from 0.5 inches of rain up to 3.8 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the high 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50s to the low 60s.

**County Extension Comments**

“The county received an estimated 3.23 inches of rain last week. We still haven’t been able to cut hay – too wet.

**Brenda Jackson, Whitfield County, District 10**

“Some farmers worked 16 plus hour days to plant before rain moved in.”

**Doug Collins, Lee County, District 70**

“The wet weather this spring has caused a serious case of Fusarium Head Blight on wheat. Every field I have been has this disease, some worse than others.”

**Andy Shirley, Mitchell County, District 70**

“Rain amounts last week ranged from a little to a lot. Cotton and peanut planting is behind compared to years past. Wheat crop seems a little behind. Crazy weather has not been good for vegetable production.”

**Jeremy Kichler, Colquitt County, District 80**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/18/14**

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Blueberries - Harvested.....	29	13	42	N/A
Cotton - Planted.....	44	24	43	48
Hay - 1st Cutting.....	50	41	40	N/A
Oats - Harvested.....	13	11	10	N/A
Onions - Harvested.....	68	61	69	68
Peaches - Harvested.....	2	N/A	9	10
Peanuts - Planted.....	49	30	41	45
Rye - Harvested.....	15	6	8	N/A
Sorghum - Planted.....	47	45	15	25
Soybeans - Planted.....	20	11	13	21
Tobacco - Transplanted.....	95	93	100	100
Winter Wheat - Harvested.....	8	7	9	15

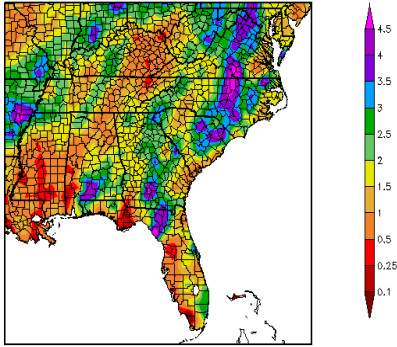
**Crop Condition for Week Ending 05/18/14**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Blueberries.....	0	0	13	51	36
Corn.....	1	6	34	54	5
Oats.....	0	6	45	45	4
Pasture and range.....	0	5	36	49	10
Peaches.....	0	2	9	87	2
Rye.....	0	5	45	46	4
Tobacco.....	1	3	35	51	10
Watermelons.....	0	5	39	54	2
Winter Wheat.....	0	6	32	54	8

**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/18/14**

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	0	0	10
Short.....	5	9	25
Adequate.....	69	71	56
Surplus.....	26	20	9
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	1	1	N/A
Short.....	4	6	N/A
Adequate.....	72	73	N/A
Surplus.....	23	20	N/A

Precipitation (in)  
5/12/2014 - 5/18/2014

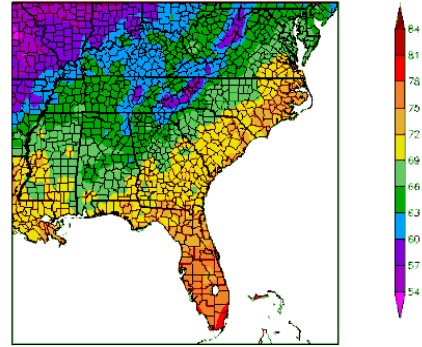


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Temperature (F)  
5/12/2014 - 5/18/2014

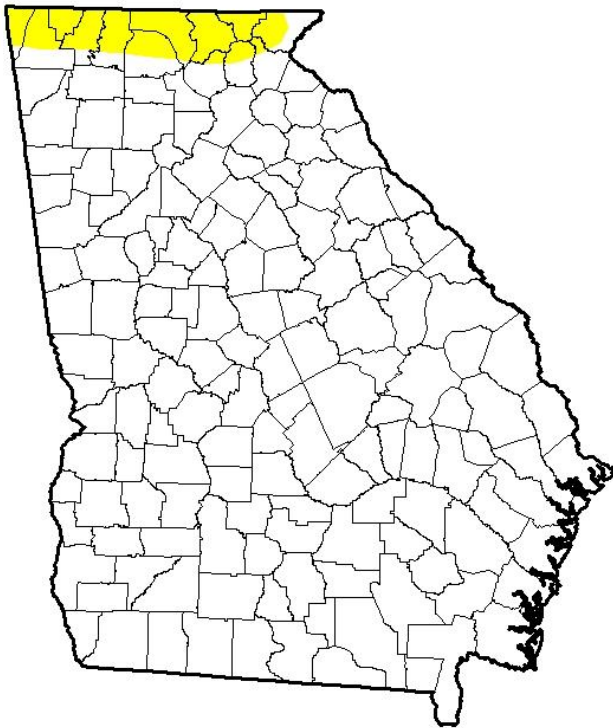


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## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



May 13, 2014

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	95.76	4.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 5/6/2014	95.76	4.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 2/11/2014	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12/31/2013	92.36	7.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 10/1/2013	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 5/14/2013	99.25	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

*Intensity:*

- 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. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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