



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



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 22, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from trace amounts of rain to 8.6 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the mid 70s.

County Comments

High winds from the storm downed a significant number of trees, flattened pastures and hayfields that hadn't been cut yet. Hail caused leaf damage to soybeans and other crops. Recovery is in progress. Hail size reported from pea to softball.

Brenda Jackson, Murray County

Rain showers continued during the week. Haying continued but dodged rain showers. Growers sprayed fields for weeds. Early planted Group IV soybeans have set pods. Some cotton fields were sprayed with growth regulators.

Raymond Joyce, Laurens County

Scattered showers have hit most of the county at least a couple of days this week with more in the forecast. Timing is great for our cotton and peanut crops as we are setting heavy loads on both crops right now. All but the very latest corn that was planted is now in black layer. We are waiting on moisture to dry down enough for harvest, but with recent rains and high humidity, this looks to be a slow process. Many cotton fields have been sprayed this week for stink bugs, and we are starting to get some reports of foliage feeders in our peanuts. Hopefully, the rain won't keep us out of the field too long so we can continue to properly scout and spray on time for these pests.

Seth McAllister, Terrell County

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/22/18

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature	49	30	42	NA
Cotton - Squaring	88	80	86	88
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	52	36	46	52
Hay - 2nd Cutting	75	63	68	70
Peaches - Harvested.....	69	59	NA	NA
Peanuts - Pegging.....	90	83	90	81
Soybeans - Blooming	51	37	50	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods	18	5	24	NA
Tobacco - Topped	96	92	97	NA
Tobacco - Harvested.....	45	35	40	22

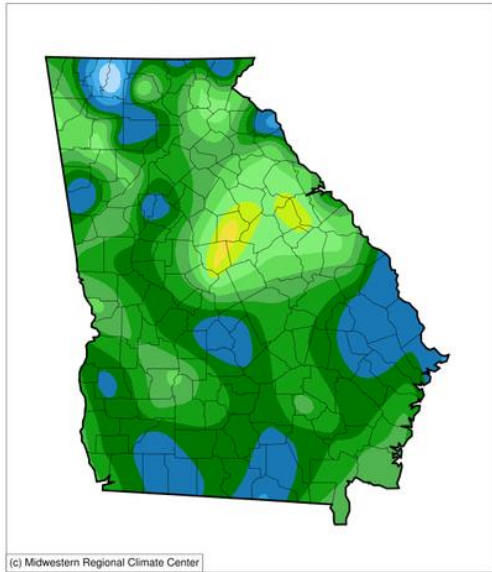
Conditions for Week Ending 07/22/18

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	0	3	24	62	11
Corn	1	3	21	60	15
Cotton	1	7	24	56	12
Pasture and range.....	1	5	25	58	11
Peanuts.....	1	4	22	60	13
Soybeans.....	1	5	26	59	9
Tobacco.....	2	8	29	53	8

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/22/18

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	1	3	NA
Short.....	15	25	NA
Adequate.....	72	67	NA
Surplus.....	12	5	NA
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short.....	1	2	NA
Short.....	14	18	NA
Adequate.....	77	75	NA
Surplus.....	8	5	NA

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 16, 2018 to July 22, 2018



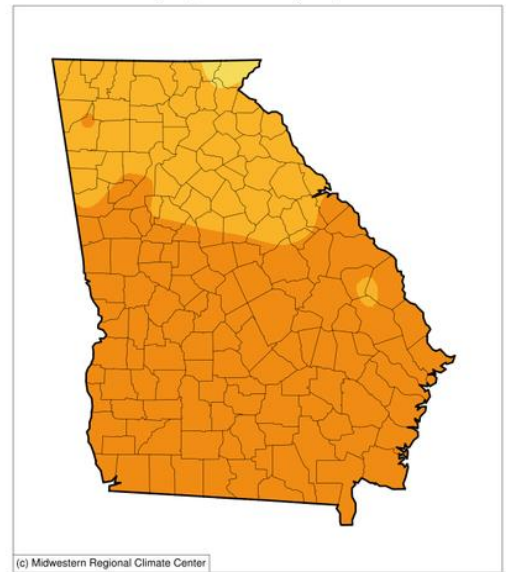
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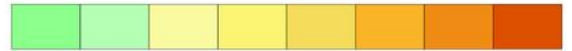
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Average Temperature (°F)
July 16, 2018 to July 22, 2018



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

July 17, 2018
(Released Thursday, Jul. 19, 2018)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 07-10-2018	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 04-17-2018	28.20	71.80	49.84	16.71	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2018	12.14	87.86	40.66	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 07-18-2017	98.97	1.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought
- D2 Severe Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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