



**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 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 12, 2018. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain to 5.7 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 80s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 60s to the high 70s.

**County Comments**

Final bermudagrass cutting was underway. Bermudagrass stem maggot was observed in several fields last week with minimal to marginal damage.

**Adam Speir, Madison County**

Corn silage production was good despite the harvest being delayed by almost daily afternoon showers. Armyworms and bermudagrass stem maggot continued to be a problem even though most producers already sprayed for them.

**Stephanie Butcher, Coweta County**

Diseases became more of an issue in cotton and peanuts because of wet field conditions. Hay quality declined from a lack of opportunity to dry and delayed cutting.

**Jason E. Mallard, Jenkins County**

Little rainfall this week put corn harvest in full swing. The cotton crop improved with the recent rains, and some fields looked very promising. Some bolls cracked open, so irrigation will be coming to a close. Target spot moved in hard this week. Adult whiteflies were discovered, which may be trouble for late cotton. Peanuts looked really good, but conditions became perfect for disease. White mold and leaf spot have not been as prevalent this year, despite the humidity and rainfall.

**Seth McAllister, Terrell County**

Wet weather slowed the corn harvest. Target spot and other foliar diseases were noted in some cotton fields. The peanut crop looked good. The wet weather made hay production challenging.

**Jeremy Kichler, Colquitt County**

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/12/18**

Crop stage	This week (percent)	Prev week (percent)	Prev year (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn - Mature .....	86	77	88	NA
Corn - Harvested .....	23	11	32	25
Cotton - Squaring .....	98	96	99	98
Cotton - Setting Bolls .....	84	76	86	87
Cotton - Bolls Opening ...	3	1	3	4
Hay - 2nd Cutting .....	91	88	90	86
Peaches - Harvested .....	92	90	100	98
Peanuts - Pegging .....	98	97	99	96
Soybeans - Blooming .....	83	74	85	NA
Soybeans - Setting Pods .....	59	45	58	NA
Tobacco - Harvested .....	70	58	72	59

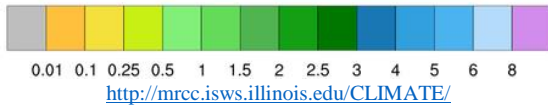
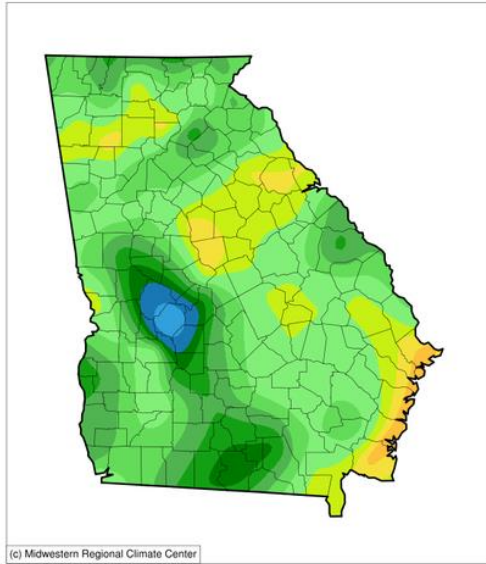
**Conditions for Week Ending 08/12/18**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle .....	0	2	24	62	12
Corn .....	1	4	20	62	13
Cotton .....	1	7	25	56	11
Pasture and range .....	1	5	30	52	12
Peanuts .....	1	4	17	61	17
Pecans .....	1	5	20	61	13
Soybeans .....	1	2	24	60	13

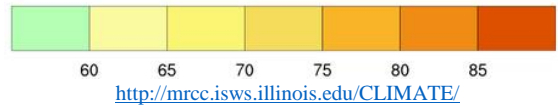
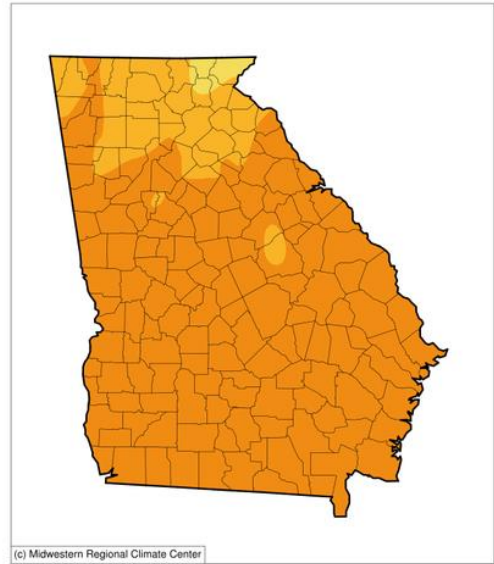
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/12/18**

Topsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short .....	1	0	6
Short .....	8	5	29
Adequate .....	74	65	49
Surplus .....	17	30	16
Subsoil	This week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Very short .....	1	0	6
Short .....	9	7	26
Adequate .....	76	68	57
Surplus .....	14	25	11

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
August 06, 2018 to August 12, 2018

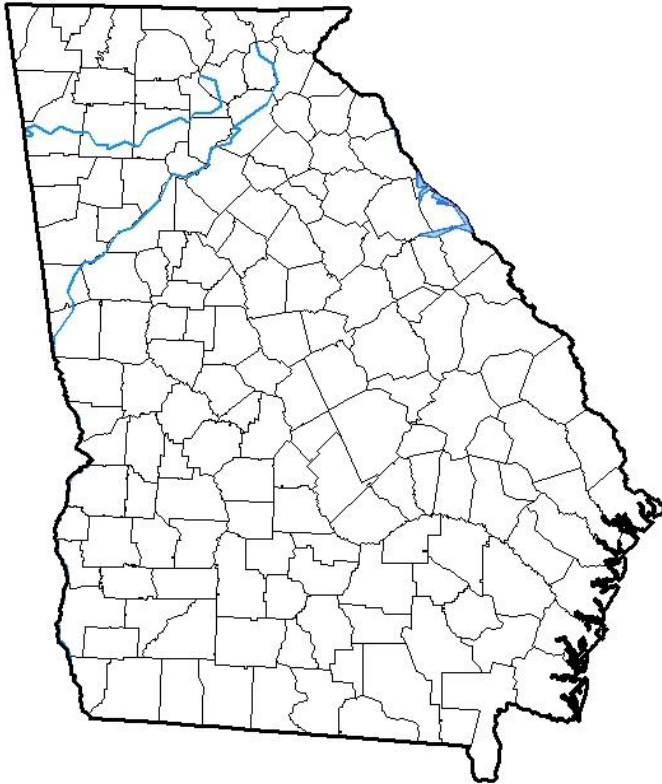


**Average Temperature (°F)**  
August 06, 2018 to August 12, 2018



## U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

**August 7, 2018**  
(Released Thursday, Aug. 9, 2018)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 07-31-2018	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 05-08-2018	40.50	59.50	30.19	5.30	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-02-2018	12.14	87.86	40.66	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-26-2017	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 08-08-2017	100.00	0.00	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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