



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.

August 23, 2021

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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, August 22, 2021. Precipitation ranged from 0.84 inches of rain to 8.89 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from low 80s to the low 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 60s to the mid 70s.

Crops

Rain from Tropical Storm Fred brought in heavy showers across northern Georgia and scattered showers in southern Georgia. The consistent rain helped keep crop ratings in overall mostly good condition, However, significant rainfall over short periods of time raised concerns over nutrient deficiency due to runoff and persistent wet and humid conditions in which disease may flourish.

Corn harvest continued ahead of the storm, with some counties reporting over 50% harvested. High humidity and frequent rains have slowed the drying process with corn too high in moisture to harvest in some areas. Peanuts were continuing to set heavy fruit loads, although disease pressure continued to be an issue with wet and cloudy conditions last week. Soybeans were sprayed with insecticides and fungicides, and fields were blooming and setting pods while early soybeans began to drop leaves.

Livestock and Pastures

Livestock and pastures remained in generally good condition throughout the state. Armyworms continued to be noted as an issue in pastures.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/22/21

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Corn – Mature.....	92	79	90	94
Corn – Harvested.....	45	28	39	53
Cotton - Squaring.....	100	98	100	100
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	95	83	90	95
Cotton – Bolls Opening	13	4	11	17
Hay – 2nd Cutting.....	99	92	95	95
Peanuts - Pegging.....	100	99	100	100
Soybeans - Blooming.....	95	91	94	93
Soybeans – Setting Pods...	81	68	77	77
Soybeans – Drop Leaves...	2	NA	1	1
Tobacco – Cut.....	74	58	71	74

NA – Not Available

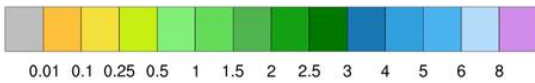
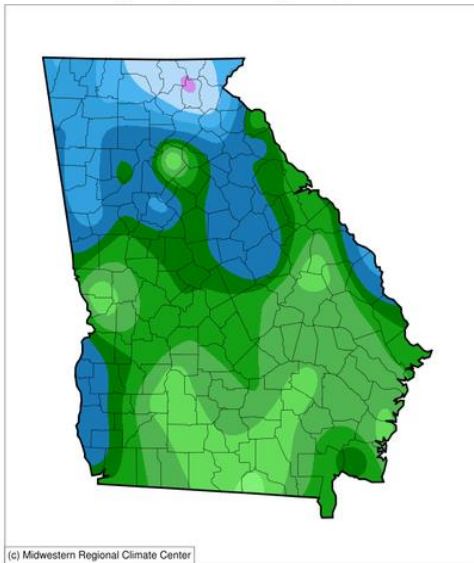
Conditions for Week Ending 08/22/21

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	2	24	62	11
Corn.....	1	3	23	57	16
Cotton.....	1	7	22	60	10
Pasture and range	1	5	25	57	12
Peanuts.....	1	3	18	64	14
Pecans.....	0	2	25	67	6
Soybeans.....	0	1	19	67	13

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/22/21

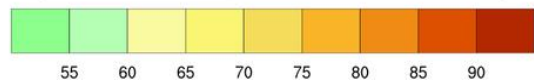
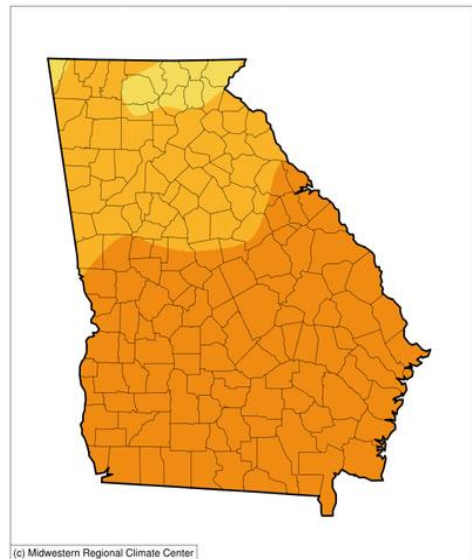
Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	2	2
Short.....	19	10
Adequate.....	68	72
Surplus.....	11	16
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	2	1
Short.....	14	9
Adequate.....	75	78
Surplus.....	9	12

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
August 16, 2021 to August 22, 2021



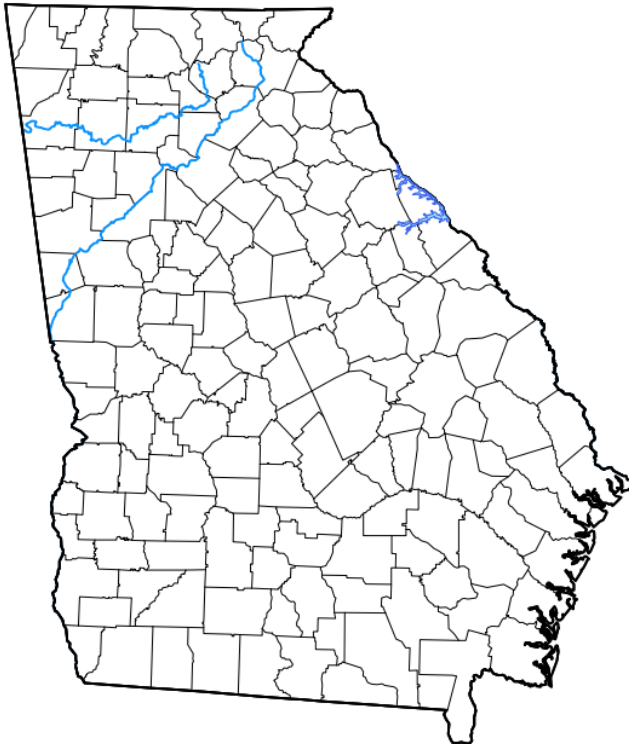
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Average Temperature (°F)
August 16, 2021 to August 22, 2021



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



August 17, 2021
(Released Thursday, Aug. 19, 2021)
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 08-10-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 05-18-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-29-2020	65.78	34.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-29-2020	97.20	2.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 08-18-2020	82.83	17.17	0.36	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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