



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.

October 18, 2021

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**General**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 17, 2021. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 0.3 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the low 60s.

**Crops**

A dry and sunny week following a week of heavy rains allowed harvesting activities to pick up again late in the week, however most crops being harvested now are behind compared to previous years. Temperatures cooling down made for an ideal week to get fieldwork completed. Cotton fields continued to be defoliated as most bolls opened. Peanut fields were dug and harvested when possible although many fields were still too wet in many areas. Leaf spot in peanuts was noted to be a major issue. Soybeans continued to drop leaves although harvesting had begun, progress remained behind previous years. Planting of cool season forages such as rye and winter wheat continued to get underway around the state.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Livestock and pastures remained in generally good condition throughout the state.

**Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/17/21**

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	90	82	87	94
Cotton - Harvested.....	18	8	15	30
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	96	90	94	92
Oats - Planted.....	31	17	28	24
Peanuts - Dug.....	60	43	56	72
Peanuts - Harvested.....	40	26	37	56
Pecans - Harvested.....	15	5	9	12
Rye - Planted.....	23	16	19	23
Soybeans - Drop Leaves ...	83	72	81	84
Soybeans - Harvested.....	27	18	22	31
Winter Wheat - Planted.....	12	7	11	8

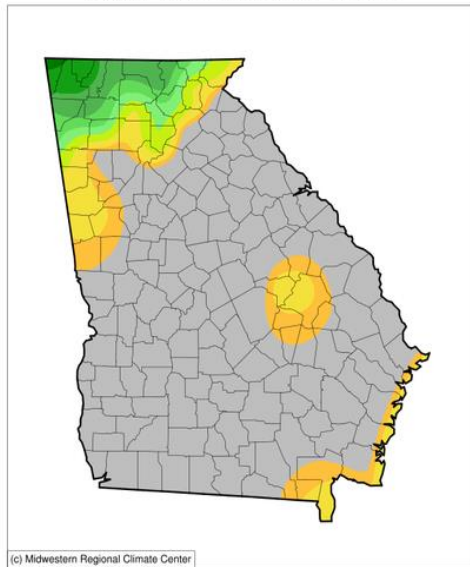
**Conditions for Week Ending 10/17/21**

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	3	22	63	12
Cotton.....	1	7	33	51	8
Pasture and range ....	3	8	30	52	7
Peanuts.....	0	4	32	54	10
Pecans.....	0	4	25	66	5
Soybeans.....	0	1	20	70	9

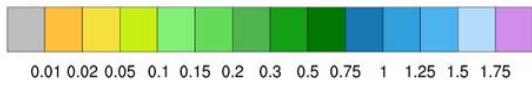
**Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/17/21**

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	7	7
Adequate.....	73	82
Surplus.....	20	11
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	0	0
Short.....	9	7
Adequate.....	71	82
Surplus.....	20	11

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
October 11, 2021 to October 17, 2021

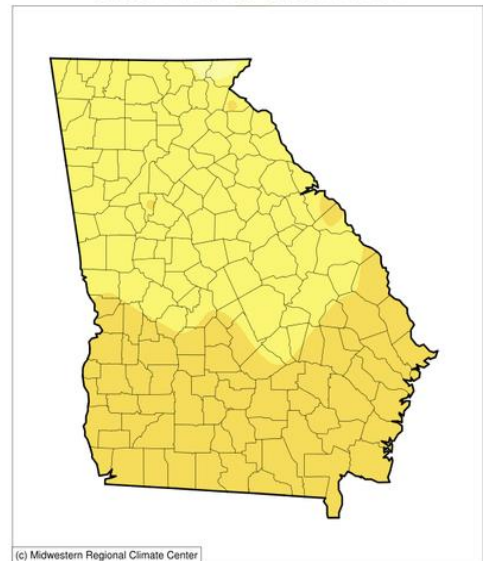


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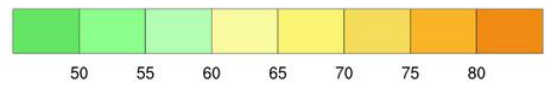


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**Average Temperature (°F)**  
October 11, 2021 to October 17, 2021



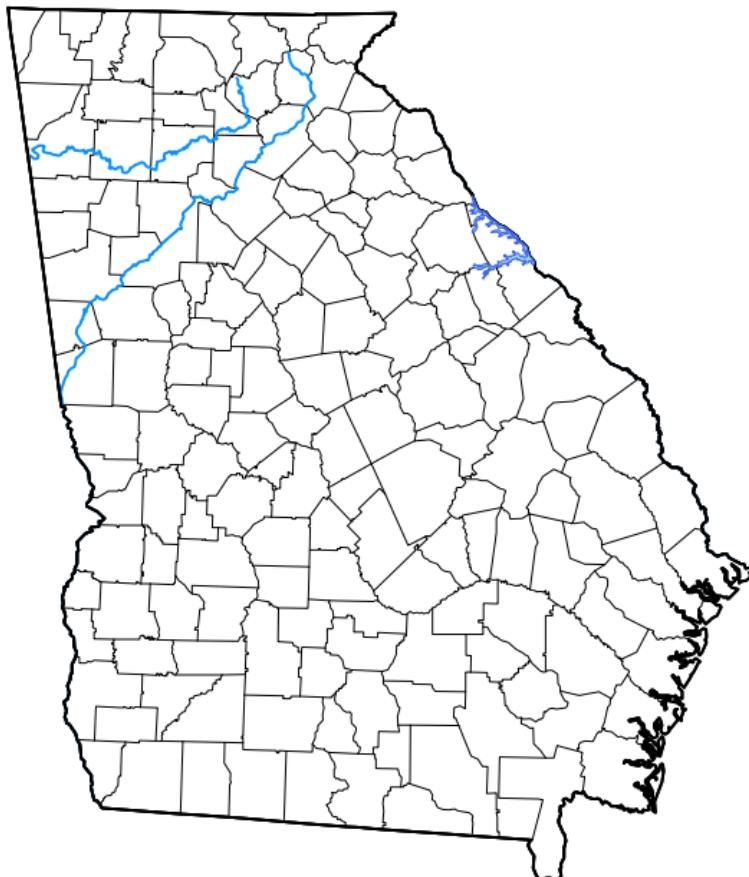
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# U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

**October 12, 2021**  
(Released Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021)  
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> 10-05-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 07-13-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12-29-2020	65.78	34.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-28-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 10-13-2020	95.41	4.59	0.00	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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