

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.

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 24, 2021. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 1.0 inch. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the low 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the mid 50s.

Crops

Weather conditions across the state last week continued to be ideal for fieldwork. Temperatures cooled down and minimal rainfall allowed for plenty of days suitable for fall harvesting activities. Cotton fields continued to be defoliated and picking began to ramp up. Some hay fields were noted to have completed a fourth cutting of hay, although most producers struggled to finish three due to heavy rainfall and armyworm pressure over the summer. Peanut fields continued to be dug and sunny weather allowed for peanuts to dry out for harvest. Yields and grades in peanuts were noted to have been good. Soybeans continued to progress behind previous years as most leaves had dropped, but harvest was just starting to ramp up.

Livestock and Pastures

Livestock and pastures remained in generally good condition throughout the state. Cooler temperatures helped minimize heat stress in livestock, although cattle in north Georgia continue to be monitored for Asian Longhorned ticks.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/24/21

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Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Cotton - Bolls Opening	92	87	90	96	
Cotton - Harvested	26	15	23	40	
Hay - 3rd Cutting	98	94	96	95	
Oats - Planted	39	28	33	35	
Peanuts - Dug	74	56	74	83	
Peanuts - Harvested	57	37	53	69	
Pecans - Harvested	24	9	17	18	
Rye - Planted	33	19	25	32	
Soybeans - Drop Leaves	90	81	89	91	
Soybeans - Harvested	35	22	31	40	
Winter Wheat - Planted	18	11	16	14	

Conditions for Week Ending 10/24/21

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	4	24	60	12
Cotton	1	9	31	52	7
Pasture and range	3	9	27	53	8
Peanuts	0	5	25	58	12
Pecans	0	3	30	59	8
Soybeans	0	2	22	65	11

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/24/21

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0	2
Short	7	26
Adequate	82	67
Surplus	11	5
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0	1
Short	7	22
Adequate	82	72
Surplus		5

Accumulated Precipitation (in) October 18, 2021 to October 24, 2021 (c) Midwestern Regional Climate Center 0.01 0.02 0.05 0.1 0.15 0.2 0.3 0.5 0.75 1 1.25 1.5 1.75 http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/

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Average Temperature (°F)

U.S. Drought Monitor **Georgia**

October 19, 2021

(Released Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	94.26	5.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 10-12-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 07-20-2021	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 09-28-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 10-20-2020	90.94	9.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

None None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate 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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