



United States Department of Agriculture
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**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 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, October 9, 2022. Precipitation ranged from no rain to trace amounts of rain. Average high temperatures ranged from the low 70s to the mid 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 40s to the high 50s.

Crops

A very dry week across the state made for ample time suitable for fieldwork. Some areas have had no measurable rainfall in over a month. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, nearly 30 percent of the state was experiencing abnormally dry conditions.

Cotton bolls continued to open, and fields were being harvested. Cool and dry conditions aided cotton harvest progress and minimized disease pressure. Peanut fields were dug and harvested, however the lack of topsoil moisture in many areas continued to create digging problems for dryland peanuts. Vine conditions for peanuts were reported to be poor in eastern Georgia. Soybeans continued to drop leaves and be harvested. Some growers in central Georgia are desiccating soybeans this week. Small grains plantings continued to be delayed due to dry soil conditions. Pecan harvest began in some areas with reports that the crop was looking good. Hay producers continued to take advantage of dry field conditions for another week to finish third cuttings

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle remained in good condition while pastures were in fair condition throughout the state. Very dry conditions have caused pastures to suffer with regrowth being slow. Some producers reported that they had to start feeding hay to cattle.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 10/09/22

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Bolls Opening.....	81	81	87	88
Cotton - Harvested.....	7	9	19	17
Hay - 3rd Cutting.....	89	85	90	90
Oats - Planted.....	16	8	13	14
Peanuts - Dug.....	41	46	64	53
Peanuts - Harvested.....	25	30	47	37
Pecans - Harvested.....	4	NA	3	5
Rye - Planted.....	14	4	10	15
Soybeans - Dropping Leaves..	70	61	72	72
Soybeans - Harvested.....	17	19	25	21
Winter wheat - Planted.....	6	2	7	4

(NA) Not available.

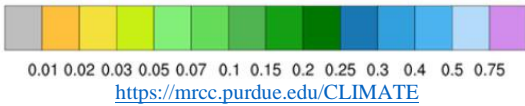
Conditions for Week Ending 10/09/22

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	4	23	63	9
Cotton.....	1	6	34	48	11
Pasture and range	5	19	40	32	4
Peanuts.....	1	7	31	51	10
Pecans.....	0	2	19	66	13
Soybeans.....	2	6	29	57	6

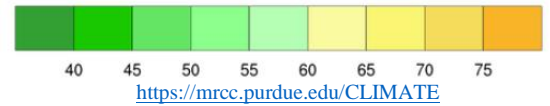
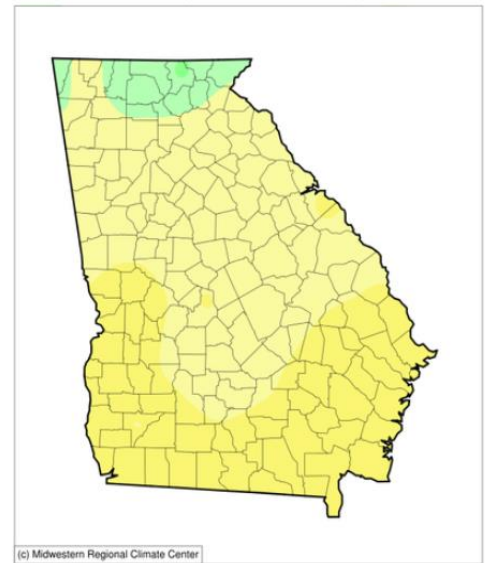
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 10/09/22

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	23	33
Short.....	44	45
Adequate.....	32	22
Surplus.....	1	0
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	14	27
Short.....	45	42
Adequate.....	40	31
Surplus.....	1	0

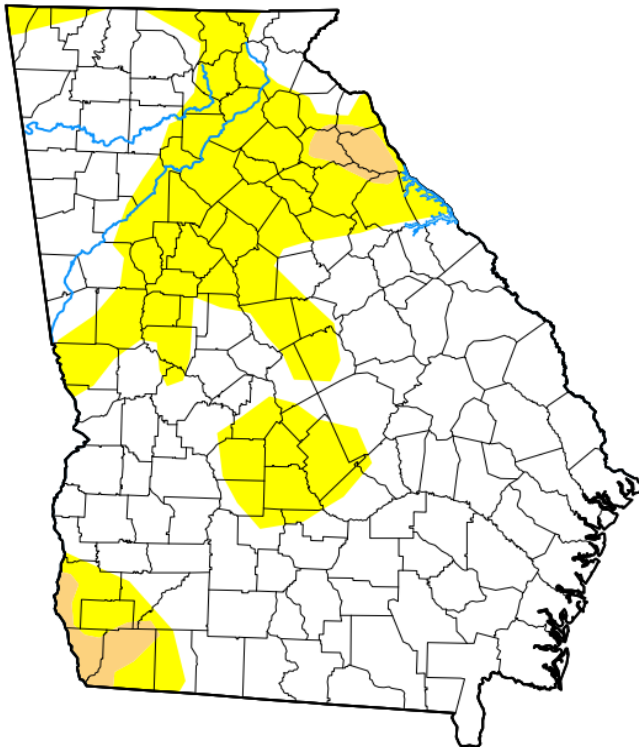
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
October 03, 2022 to October 09, 2022



Average Temperature (°F)
October 03, 2022 to October 09, 2022



U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia



October 4, 2022

(Released Thursday, Oct. 6, 2022)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	70.82	29.18	2.48	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>09-27-2022</i>	76.20	23.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>07-05-2022</i>	10.16	89.84	49.62	6.55	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-04-2022</i>	97.01	2.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2022</i>	76.20	23.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>10-05-2021</i>	100.00	0.00	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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