



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.

May 13, 2024

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 12, 2024. Precipitation totals from available reporting stations ranged from 0.2 inches of rain to over 6 inches of rain throughout the week. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the high 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the high 60s.

Crops

It was a rainy week for most of the state last week, with the northern and west central parts of the state receiving significant precipitation. Thunderstorms, high winds, hail, and tornadoes were reported across the state, causing damage to some wheat and emerged corn fields. The heavy rain also caused flooding in some fields, which significantly delayed field work. Some corn growers were able to apply nitrogen to the crop prior to the storms moving in. Cotton fields were reported to be in good condition, with visible rows of seedling cotton emerging. Peanuts were reported to be growing quickly, although reporters noted some instances of damage due to hogs. Disease issues in strawberries were reported to be a significant problem in some areas of the state.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures were reported to be in mostly good condition. Heavy rain and high winds left some fields with flooding and fence damage, but there were no widespread reports of livestock damage in the state. Reporters did note some instances of operators running short on grazing fields, as well as increases in flies on cattle.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 5/12/24

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Blueberries - Harvested	59	51	61	53
Corn - Planted	95	93	95	NA
Corn - Emerged	91	87	92	93
Cotton - Planted	27	21	35	32
Hay - 1st Cutting	52	46	57	56
Oats - Harvested	12	11	19	15
Onions - Harvested	89	76	85	81
Peaches - Harvested	1	6	15	3
Peanuts - Planted	30	23	42	36
Soybeans - Planted	23	24	32	24
Soybeans - Emerged	10	7	18	8
Winter Wheat - Harvested..	11	4	22	14

(NA) Not Available

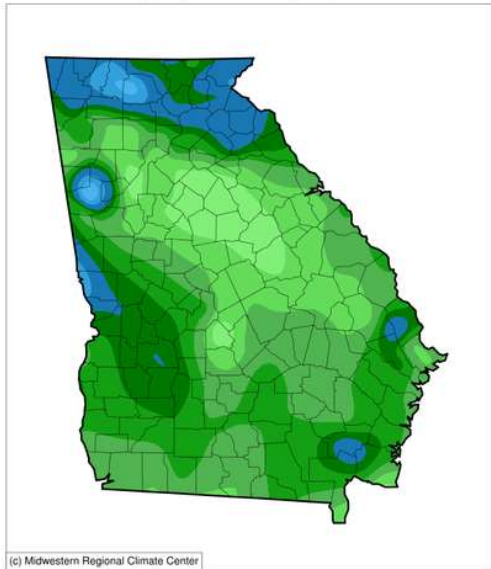
Conditions for Week Ending 5/12/24

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	1	4	19	62	14
Corn	1	2	22	67	8
Oats	0	2	22	72	4
Pasture and range	2	6	26	56	10
Peaches	0	0	1	57	42
Winter wheat	0	2	26	65	7

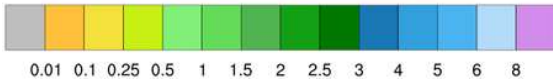
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 5/12/24

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	9	1
Short	29	7
Adequate	55	55
Surplus	7	37
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short	6	1
Short	21	9
Adequate	69	62
Surplus	4	28

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 06, 2024 to May 12, 2024



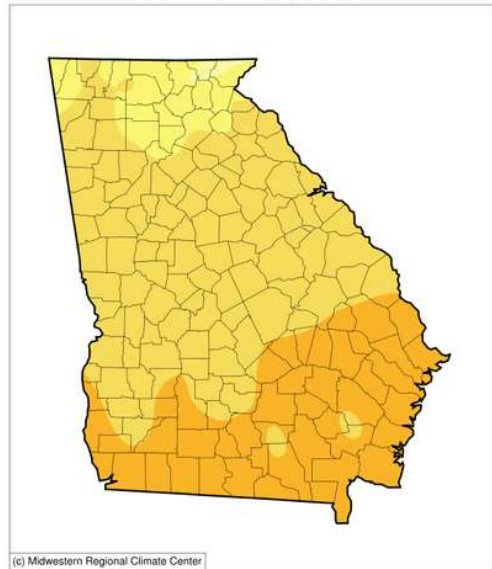
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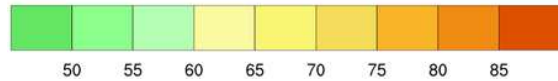
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Average Temperature (°F)
May 06, 2024 to May 12, 2024



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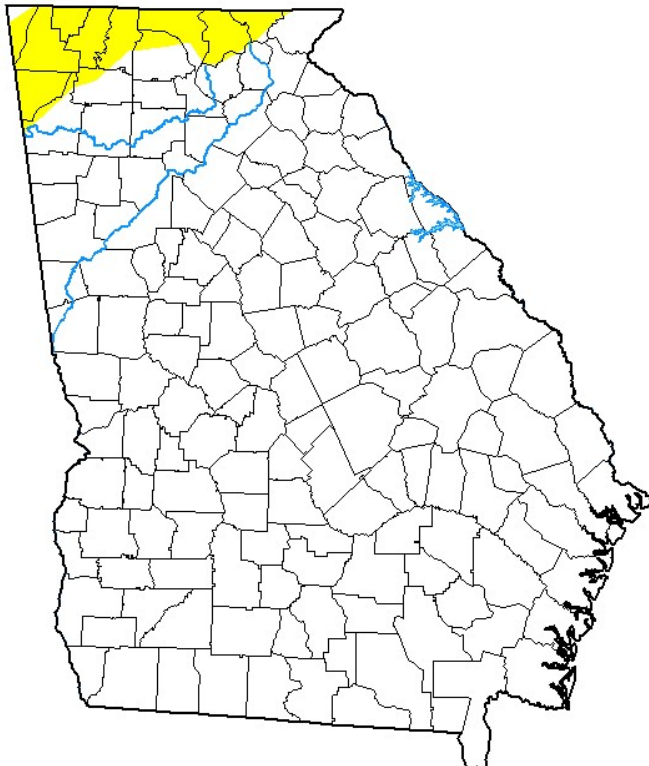


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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

May 7, 2024
(Released Thursday, May 9, 2024)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	95.32	4.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 04-30-2024	94.20	5.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 02-06-2024	92.19	7.81	1.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2024	46.66	53.34	28.92	11.91	0.07	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2023	78.43	21.57	4.17	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 05-09-2023	80.56	19.44	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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