

## 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.

June 17, 2024 Media Contact: Anthony Prillaman

### General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Georgia, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 16, 2024. Precipitation totals from available reporting stations ranged from no rain to 3.4 inches of rain throughout the week. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the mid 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the mid 50s to the mid 70s.

### Crops

It was a dry and hot week for most of the state last week, with only a few isolated areas around the state receiving even a moderate amount of precipitation. The weather continued to place stress on dryland crops, with reporters noting wilting in some corn fields. Operators who had access to irrigation systems continued to use them frequently to try to combat the dry and hot weather. Reporters noted that soils in some areas were too dry to plant soybeans. Many operators continued to apply herbicides to control weeds in cotton, peanut, and soybean fields. Concerns grew that some cotton and peanut fields could have delayed maturity due to the dry weather conditions. The dry weather allowed for the first hay cutting to nearly be completed, although there were many reports that regrowth had stalled due to lack of rain. Reporters noted the dry weather sped up harvest activities of berries and vegetables, although there were reports of pest problems on some vegetable crops. Some tobacco fields were at a critical stage and reported to be in desperate need of rain.

### **Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle were reported to be in mostly good condition, while pastures were in mostly good to fair conditions. The dry and hot weather continued to deteriorate pasture conditions across much of the state, with some cattle operators turning to supplemental hay. There were some reports of livestock stress due to the heat.

### **Crop Progress for Week Ending 6/16/24**

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Blueberries - Harvested	87	86	91	89
Corn - Silking	70	50	73	74
Cotton - Planted	94	89	95	95
Cotton - Squaring	22	14	25	25
Cotton - Setting Bolls	1	NA	1	0
Hay - 1st Cutting	92	89	95	95
Oats - Harvested	85	80	90	90
Peaches - Harvested	40	36	45	43
Peanuts - Planted	97	91	97	98
Peanuts - Pegging	15	4	20	20
Soybeans - Planted	84	81	89	85
Soybeans - Emerged	69	62	73	74
Soybeans - Blooming	9	NA	4	5
Winter Wheat - Harvested	89	77	87	92

(NA) Not Available

### Conditions for Week Ending 6/16/24

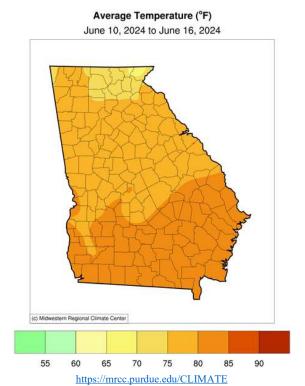
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	4	23	60	12
Corn	2	7	23	59	9
Cotton	1	6	34	55	4
Pasture and range	3	10	34	47	6
Peaches	0	0	5	50	45
Peanuts	2	6	34	53	5
Soybeans	1	3	27	65	4

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 6/16/24

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Topsoil	Previous week	This week		
	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	6	15		
Short	29	39		
Adequate	62	45		
Surplus	3	1		
Subsoil	Previous week	This week		
	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	3	14		
Short	25	34		
Adequate	68	50		
Surplus	4	2		

# Accumulated Precipitation (in) June 10, 2024 to June 16, 2024

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Georgia

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Сиптепт	90.26	9.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-04-2024	98.35	1.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 03-12-2024	98.81	1.19	0.00	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 06-13-2023	76.32	23.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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