

February 5, 2025

GEORGIA: January temperatures were 2.9 to 6.8 degrees colder than historical averages depending on location. Total rainfall for the month ranged from 1.3 inches in Dodge County to 8.6 inches in Jasper County. Most of the state received snow during the month, with Sumter County having the most at 7.0 inches. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 35 percent of the state had abnormally dry conditions and 9 percent had moderate drought conditions by month's end, compared to 32 percent abnormally dry and 9 percent with moderate drought conditions at the month's beginning. The state experienced unseasonably cold temperatures and snow throughout the state during January. This hampered the growth of small grains and limited the availability of winter grazing. Cattle were reported to be in good to fair condition during the month, however many producers across the state were beginning to run out of hay supplies. The small grains that were affected by the weather conditions were expected to bounce back. Some producers were beginning to prepare for the spring season by getting soil samples and spreading lime.