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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 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 8, 2022. Precipitation for the state ranged from trace amounts of rain to 1.9 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 70s to the high 80s. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 50s to the high 60s.

Crops

Scattered showers across parts of the state last week helped some counties although many areas are still in need of rain. Some counties in southern Georgia have received little to no rain over the past three weeks and are now dealing with moderate drought conditions. Corn planting was wrapping up in most places across the state as pivots were being turned on and ran nonstop. The corn crop was reported to be in good condition in areas where irrigation was available. High winds were noted in central Georgia on Friday that knocked over pivots and corn stalks. Cotton, peanut, and soybean planting continued, although soil moisture was a limiting factor in many areas. First cutting of hay progressed with a relatively dry week allowing for fields to be cut and baled. Wheat harvest began in some areas as most wheat had finished heading and were drying down rapidly. Onion harvesting continued closer to completion, well ahead of historic progress.

Livestock and Pastures

Livestock and pastures were generally in good condition throughout the state. Pastures were noted to be backing up due to grazing pressure as well as buttercup growth in some areas.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/08/22

Crop stage	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Blueberries - Harvested.....	41	34	43	45
Corn – Planted.....	95	92	96	96
Corn – Emerged.....	88	84	90	92
Cotton – Planted.....	21	11	22	25
Hay – First Cutting.....	47	26	40	48
Oats – Harvested.....	12	1	6	9
Onions – Harvested.....	59	73	90	65
Peaches – Harvested.....	1	NA	0	1
Peanuts – Planted.....	20	11	28	28
Soybeans – Planted.....	20	8	18	16
Tobacco – Transplanted....	90	92	97	94
Winter wheat – Headed.....	95	90	96	96
Winter wheat – Harvested..	7	NA	7	7

(NA) Not available

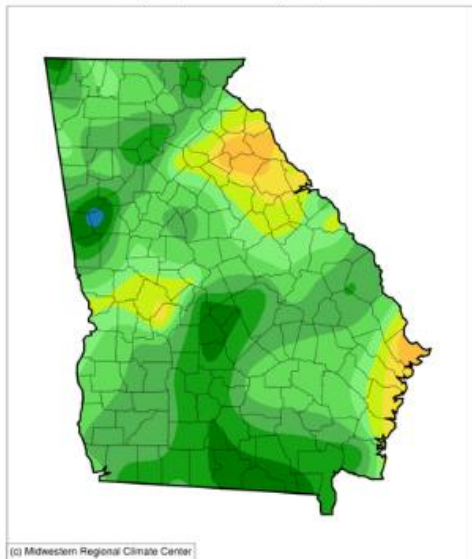
Conditions for Week Ending 05/08/22

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Blueberries	40	24	27	9	0
Cattle.....	1	4	23	62	10
Corn	0	3	25	66	6
Oats.....	1	7	40	49	3
Pasture and range	2	7	32	49	10
Peaches	0	7	24	48	21
Tobacco.....	0	0	54	35	11
Winter wheat.....	1	4	39	50	6

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/08/22

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	10	10
Short.....	45	37
Adequate	43	51
Surplus	2	2
Subsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	6	8
Short.....	32	32
Adequate	59	58
Surplus	3	2

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 02, 2022 to May 08, 2022



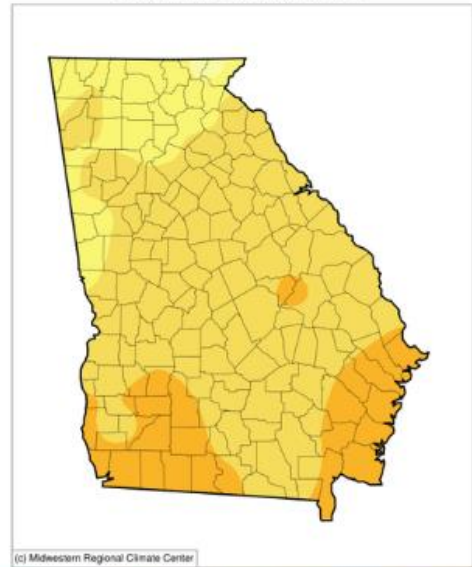
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Average Temperature (°F)
May 02, 2022 to May 08, 2022



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U.S. Drought Monitor Georgia

May 3, 2022

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	51.00	49.00	22.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 04-26-2022	56.45	43.55	18.46	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 02-01-2022	84.82	15.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022	97.01	2.99	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 05-04-2021	90.05	9.95	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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