

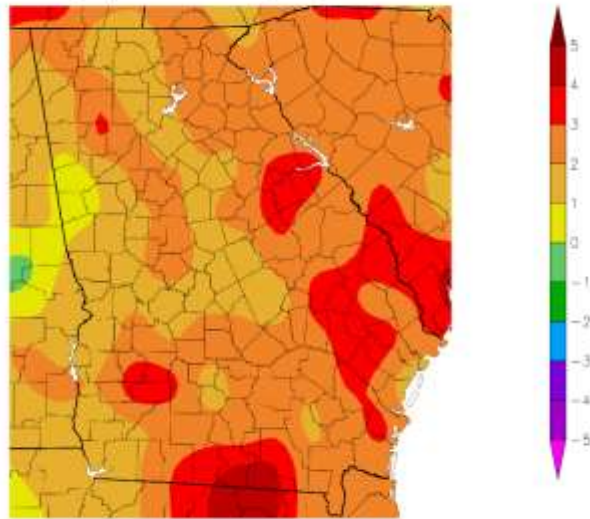
March 2022 Climate Summary – Georgia

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State of Georgia Climate Office

The month of March was warmer than average across the entire state with an average temperature reaching 3.4° above normal at 58.8° F. Average statewide precipitation was near normal, as the northern half of the state received above normal rainfall and the southern portion was drier than average. The month began on a warmer note with several climate sites setting record high temperatures. Atlanta and Athens set record highs of 80° and 82° on March 3rd, respectively, which tied both of their old records set in 1992. Savannah set a record high temperature of 86° on the 7th, which tied the old record of 86° set in 1961.

Departure from Normal Temperature (F)
3/1/2022 – 3/31/2022

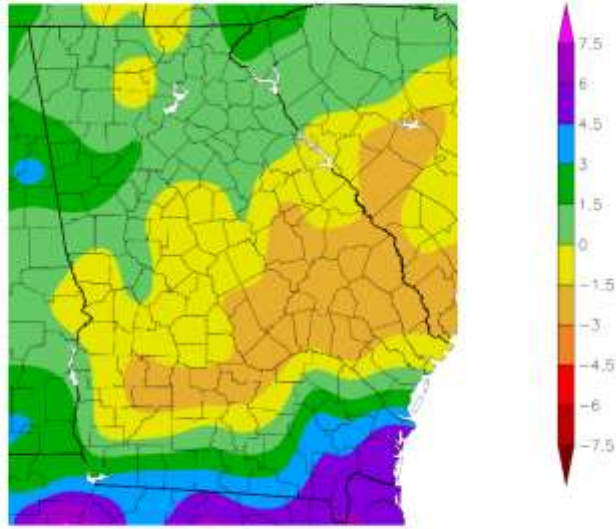


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Typical springlike severe weather systems that affected the region allowed much of North Georgia to experience above normal rainfall. Gainesville received a total of 6.64" of rain, which was 1.86" above normal, while Rome received 6.49" of rain (+1.50"). Atlanta was well above normal as well, receiving 6.06" of rainfall for the month (+1.38"). Several low-pressure systems and accompanying cold fronts traversed the region on the 12th, 16th, and 19th of the month, leading to gusty winds, downed trees, and hail in the storms that became severe.

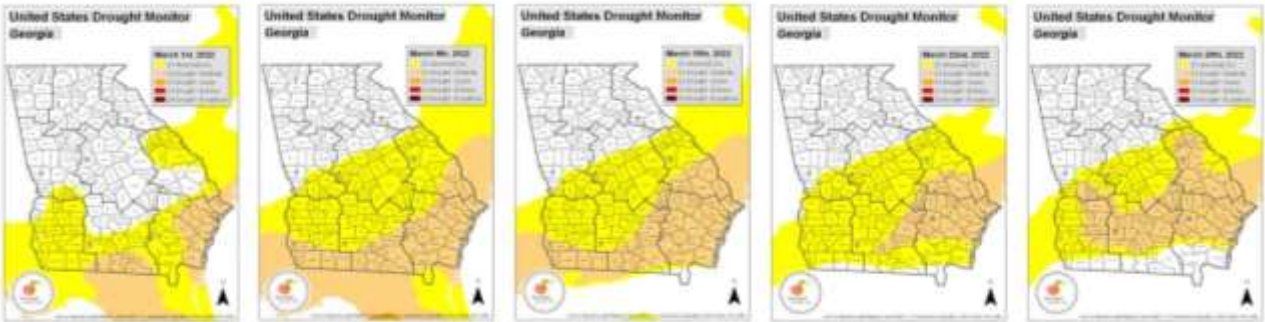
Departure from Normal Precipitation (in)
3/1/2022 - 3/31/2022



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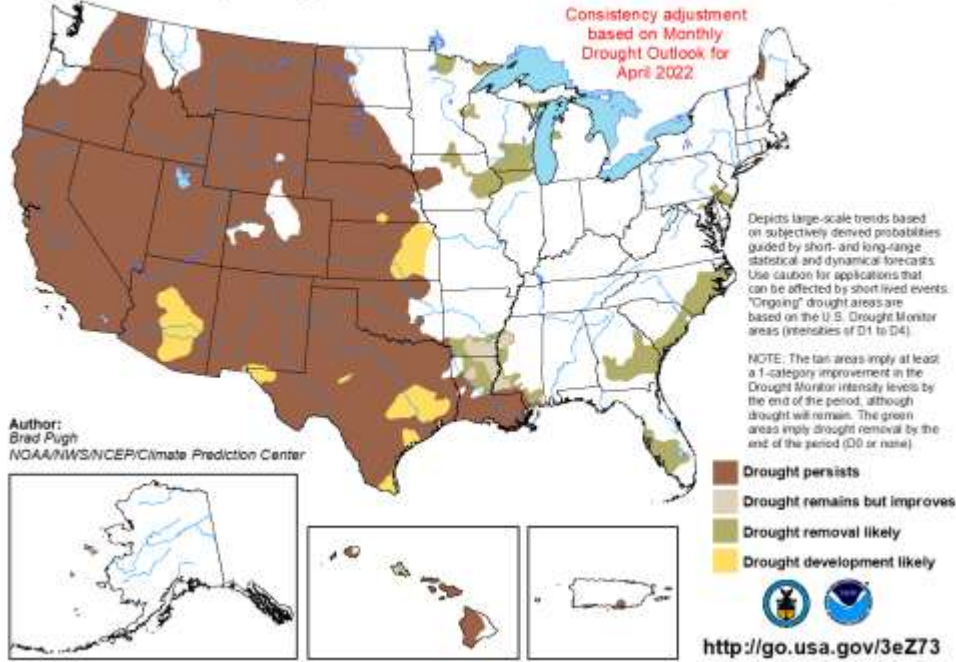
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Abnormally dry conditions continued to develop in southeast Georgia during the month of March due to lack of precipitation, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. The seasonal outlook from the Climate Prediction Center suggests drought conditions in Georgia will likely improve for the April through June period.



U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook
Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for April 1 - June 30, 2022
Released March 31, 2022



According to the Climate Prediction Center, La Niña is present and likely to continue into the summer (~53% chance during June-August) with a 40-50% chance of La Niña or ENSO-neutral thereafter. The seasonal outlook from the Climate Prediction Center for April, May, and June favors above normal temperatures and near normal rainfall for Georgia.

