

Georgia Economic Losses Due To 2006 Drought

Executive Summary

Drought conditions that began in March 2006 have caused production value losses throughout Georgia. State losses are estimated to total \$819.4 million. Cotton has the greatest losses of \$239.5 million. Other field crop losses include peanuts of \$101.4 million, corn of \$40.1 million, and tobacco of \$25.3 million. Hay and forage losses of \$107.6 million and pasture losses of \$224.3 million have impacted cattle production throughout the state. Projected losses for the pecan crop are \$49.0 million. The balance of production losses are for vegetables, melons, fruits, and broilers. Drought conditions are estimated to have total economic output impact losses that range from \$965.0 million to \$1.4 billion.