



United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service  
**Florida 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 Florida, there were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 28, 2020. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain in multiple locations to 3.1 inches in Monticello (Jefferson County). The average mean temperature ranged from 79.2°F in Whiting Field Naval Air Station (Santa Rosa County) to 88.4°F in North Miami Beach (Miami-Dade County).

### Citrus

The citrus growing region experienced warmer than normal temperatures all week. Daily highs were mostly in the low to upper 90s. The highest maximum reading was in Central Florida (Lake County), at 98°F. The citrus region received very little rain for the week. The greatest rainfall was in Lakeland (Polk County), at 0.7 inches. According to the June 25, 2020, U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus growing region was drought free.

Valencia harvest was finished for the season. All major processing plants closed for the season. Primary utilization from this point forward will be fresh squeezed fruit.

Next season's fruit progressed well. Early oranges were larger than golf ball size, but smaller than tennis ball size. Valencias were approximately golf ball size. Grapefruits varied from golf ball to tennis ball size. Grove activities included mowing, hedging, applying herbicide under the trees, spraying nutritionals and insecticides, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance. Irrigation ran several times per week in most areas.

### Crops

A variety of fruits and vegetables continued being planted and marketed. Watermelon harvesting continued in the northern peninsula and is expected to be finished in the near future. Soybean planting was completed in the Panhandle. Cotton in some late-planted fields may struggle due to inconsistent rainfall the last few weeks. Peanut growers in the northern peninsula expressed concerns about white mold and other disease pressures, as well as combatting armyworms. Some peanut fields in the northern peninsula were behind due to being replanted earlier in the season. Some corn in the northern peninsula was still under water from recent rains, and yields could be negatively impacted. Corn growers reported the potential for southern corn rust. Hay cutting was reported throughout the Panhandle and northern peninsula. Some producers reported haylage disease pressures in the northern peninsula.

### Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures remained in mostly good condition throughout the state.

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/28/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	8	5
Short.....	20	41
Adequate.....	68	52
Surplus.....	4	2

### Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/28/20

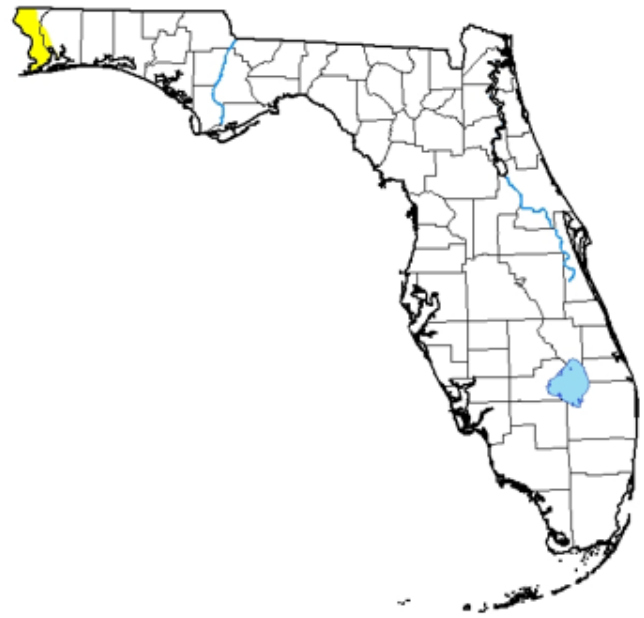
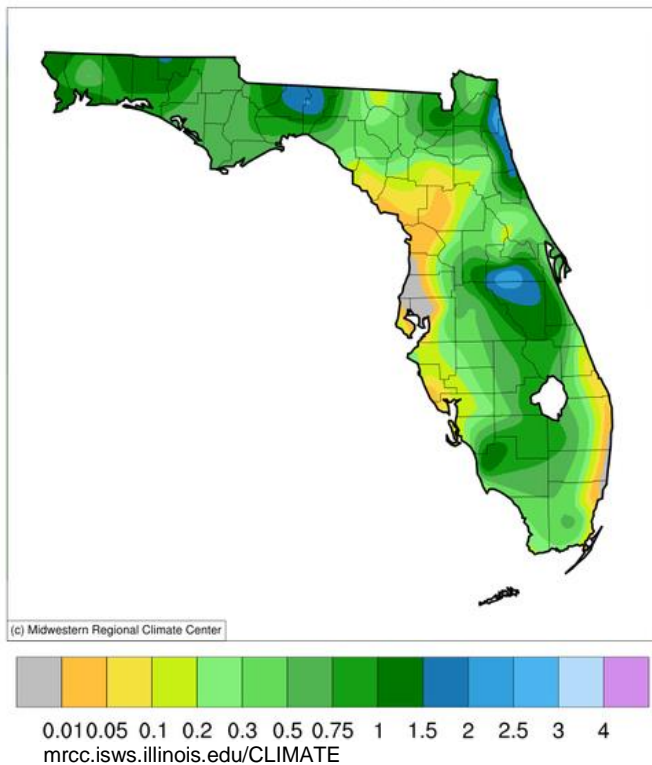
Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Squaring.....	46	26	41	34
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	6	0	1	1
Peanuts - Pegging.....	51	32	49	41

### Condition for Week Ending 06/28/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle .....	1	2	18	63	16
Cotton.....	2	3	54	39	2
Pasture & range .....	2	3	22	52	21
Peanuts.....	2	3	33	61	1

### U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

Accumulated Precipitation (in)  
June 22, 2020 to June 28, 2020



Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

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