



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 6, 2021. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain in some locations to 5.5 inches in Stuart (Martin County). The average mean temperature ranged from 74.4°F in Niceville (Okaloosa County) to 83.8°F at Tampa International Airport (Hillsborough County).

Citrus

High temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the low 90s throughout the citrus growing region. The hottest reading was recorded in Lakeland (Polk County) at 92.0 degrees. The rainy season began in earnest across the citrus growing region, with significant rainfall being reported in many areas. Stations receiving the most precipitation included Muse (Glades County) with 3.2 inches and Fort Pierce (Saint Lucie County) with 2.48 inches. According to the June 3, 2021, U.S. Drought Monitor, several counties in all citrus growing areas experienced abnormally dry conditions. Additionally, portions of Collier and Hendry Counties showed moderate drought.

This season’s Valencia orange harvest was nearly complete. Next season’s crop progressed as normal, with oranges between a quarter to a bit more than half dollar size, and grapefruit slightly larger. Fruit set appeared to be fairly uniform, with consistency in fruit size.

Grove operations included spraying, mowing, hedging, spraying herbicides, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance. Reports from the field indicated the pushing and burning of old trees and resetting of new trees. Ditches and canals were low due to deficit rainfall. Reservoirs were being utilized to refill ditches for irrigation. Irrigation was run several days in all areas.

Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested

[In thousands of 1-3/5 bushel boxes]

| Crop | For week ending | | | Previous Year |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| | May 16, 2021 (Final) | May 23, 2021 (Preliminary) | May 30, 2021 (Preliminary) | May 31, 2020 (Actual) |
| | (boxes) | (boxes) | (boxes) | (boxes) |
| Valencia Oranges | 1,757 | 798 | 60 | 110 |
| Total | 1,757 | 798 | 60 | 110 |

Source: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service Fruit and Vegetable Division

Crops

A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed last week. Despite a few scattered showers, dry conditions continued in parts of the Panhandle and northern portions of the state. Other parts of Florida received much needed rain over the weekend. Due to the dry conditions, some farmers in the Panhandle waited to plant cotton and finished up peanut planting. With producers waiting to plant cotton, many were running a week or two behind the typical year. Farmers noted field corn in poor condition if it was not irrigated.

Livestock and Pastures

Pasture quality benefited from recent rainfall and was starting to recover from last month’s dry weather. Cattle conditions remained in mostly fair to good condition throughout the state.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/06/21

| Topsoil | Previous week | This week |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) |
| Very short..... | 24 | 14 |
| Short..... | 46 | 38 |
| Adequate..... | 30 | 48 |
| Surplus..... | 0 | 0 |

Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/06/21

| Crop | Prev year (percent) | Prev week (percent) | This week (percent) | 5 Year avg (percent) |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cotton - Planted..... | 87 | 51 | 71 | 85 |
| Cotton - Squaring..... | 1 | NA | 1 | 4 |
| Peanuts - Planted..... | 96 | 89 | 95 | 93 |

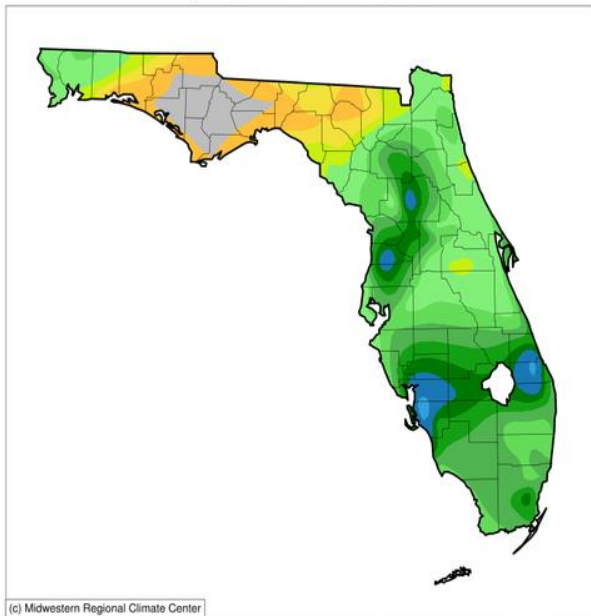
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Condition for Week Ending 06/06/21

| Crop | Very poor (percent) | Poor (percent) | Fair (percent) | Good (percent) | Excellent (percent) |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Cattle..... | 1 | 11 | 41 | 42 | 5 |
| Cotton..... | 4 | 4 | 78 | 14 | 0 |
| Pasture & range..... | 4 | 22 | 34 | 33 | 7 |
| Peanuts..... | 0 | 4 | 57 | 38 | 1 |

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 31, 2021 to June 06, 2021

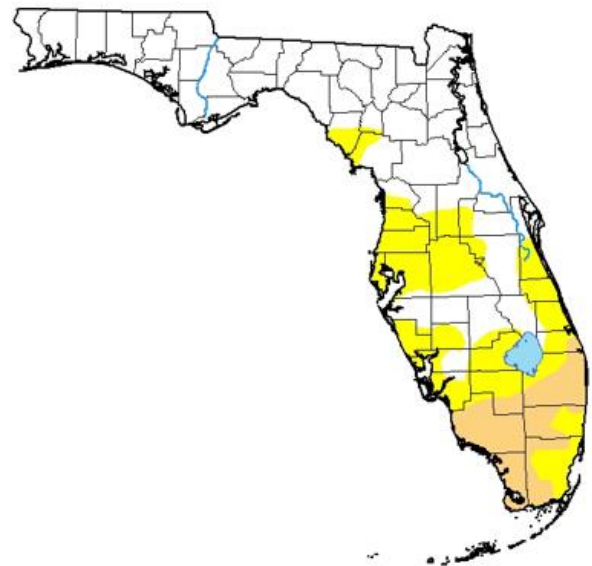


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Intensity:

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

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