

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 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 27, 2021. Precipitation for the state ranged from 0.3 in Englewood (Charlotte County) to 6.7 inches in Carrollwood (Hillsborough County). The average mean temperature ranged from 73.8°F in Glen St. Maty (Baker County) to 85.1°F at Bahia Honda State Park (Monroe County).

Citrus

High temperatures were warmer this week than last week throughout the citrus growing region, with readings ranging from the high-80s to the mid-90s. The hottest readings were recorded at the Clermont station (Lake County) with 93 degrees, followed by the Sebring station (Highlands County) with 91.0°F. Moderate amounts of rain again fell across the citrus growing region, though some locations reported several inches of precipitation. The most rainfall was recorded in Mount Plymouth (Lake County) at 5.4 inches, followed by Frostproof (Polk County) at 5.0 inches. According to the June 24, 2021, U.S. Drought Monitor, several counties in all citrus growing areas experienced abnormally dry conditions.

This season's citrus harvest was complete. Utilization for the remainder of the year will be from cold storage or fresh squeeze fruit. Next season's crop progressed as normal, with oranges about golf ball size and grapefruit approximately baseball size.

Grove operations included spraying, mowing, applying herbicide, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance. Ditches and canals remained low due to deficit rainfall. Reservoirs continued to be utilized to refill ditches for irrigation. Irrigation was being run on several days in areas that have received lesser amounts of rainfall.

Crops

A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed last week. Rain continued to increase soil moisture and flooding was reported in several areas. Some producers were concerned about the wet conditions preventing spraying which would negatively affect crops. Development of cotton and peanuts remained behind the average as a result of dry conditions early in the growing season. Cotton and peanut condition improved, though wet conditions have growers concerned about weeds and disease in the coming weeks. Persistent rainfall continued to hinder hay cutting in some parts of the state.

Livestock and Pastures

Rain continued to improve pasture quality. Cattle remained in mostly good condition throughout the state.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/27/21

Topsoil	Previous week	This week		
	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	2 19 77 2	1 10 73 16		

Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/27/21

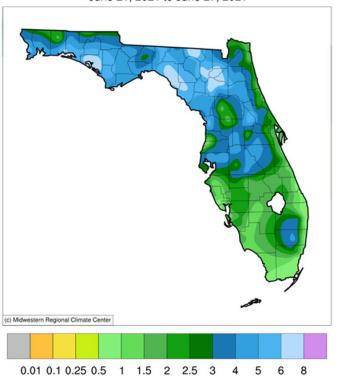
Crop	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Squaring	39	7	14	34
Cotton – Setting Bolls	1	0	1	1
Peanuts - Pegging	47	16	31	42

Condition for Week Ending 06/27/21

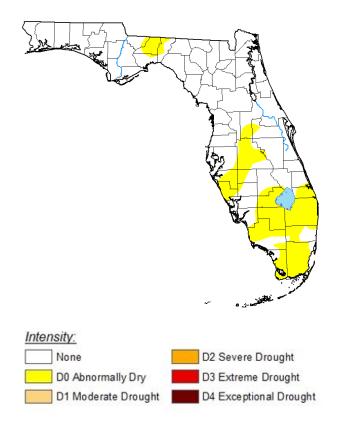
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
Cattle Cotton Pasture & range Peanuts	1 4 1 1	6 3 7 2	28 35 29 34	48 57 53 62	17 1 10 1			

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

Accumulated Precipitation (in) June 21, 2021 to June 27, 2021



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