

January 25, 2021

**FLORIDA:** January temperatures were on average 3.1 degrees cooler to 3.2 degrees warmer than historical values depending on location. Total rainfall for the month ranged from 0.1 inches in multiple locations to 8.6 inches in Jefferson County. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 12 percent of the state was moderately dry in January and no areas experienced drought conditions. Pasture conditions remained mostly fair to good. However, seasonal pasture decline was noted across the state. Cattle conditions remained mostly good throughout the state. Sugarcane planting and harvesting continued, with no damage reported as a result of cold temperature that were experienced during the third week Of January. Fungal problems were reported to be under control in the state, but disease in strawberries was noted late in the month. Vegetable growers began terminating fall crops and started planting spring crops. Crops marketed included tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, sweet corn, green beans, yellow squash, zucchini, bitter melons, herbs, and avocados. Grove activities included mowing, fertilizing, maintenance hedging, spraying, and general grove maintenance. Citrus fruit harvested included white and red grapefruit, early and midseason oranges, tangerines, and tangelos.