



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.

November 21, 2022

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 20, 2022. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain to 4.7 inches at Miami-Opa Locka Airport (Miami-Dade County). The average mean temperature ranged from 49.3°F in Chipley (Washington County) to 84.1°F at Key West Naval Air Station (Monroe County).

Citrus

Conditions resumed back to normal for this time of the year. Maximum temperatures ranged from the mid-70s to mid-80s across the citrus region. Rainfall was minimal in all areas. Accumulated totals in each recording station was less than a half-an-inch, with several stations recording no rainfall for the week. According to the November 17, 2022, U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus growing region was drought free.

Grove operations included spraying, fertilizing, applying herbicides, hedging, mowing and general grove maintenance. Irrigation was widespread in the citrus area. Sizing on this season’s crop was as follows: oranges about tennis ball to baseball size and grapefruit slightly larger. Field personnel reported color break on early season fruit varieties and continuing on through midseason fruit varieties.

Harvest of Fallglo, Early Pride and Tango tangerines, early oranges and Navels and spot picking of white and red grapefruit has begun for the fresh market. Processed oranges included red grapefruit, early oranges, and tangerine eliminations.

Crops

Most of the state received very little rain last week, with only some areas of the southern half of the state receiving a notable amount. The lack of rain helped areas most impacted by Hurricane Nicole continue to dry out as temperatures decreased throughout the state. Cotton harvest continued to make strong progress across the state and peanut harvest neared completion.

The southwestern strawberry crop continued to recover from the storm, with operators planting and harvesting where able. Sugarcane planting and harvest continued across the state. Vegetable crops that were planted and harvested last week included green beans, yellow squash, sweet corn, avocado, and okra.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle conditions were reported mostly fair to good, but there were reports of cold weather impacting some operations. Reporters noted that fall calving was in full swing. Pasture conditions were reported mostly fair to good. A lack of rain in the northern region of the state worsened drought conditions and impacted winter grazing conditions. Reporters noted that pastures along the St. John’s River continued to be flooded and unusable.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/20/22

Crop	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton – Harvested.....	53	54	68	56
Peanuts – Harvested....	99	99	100	99

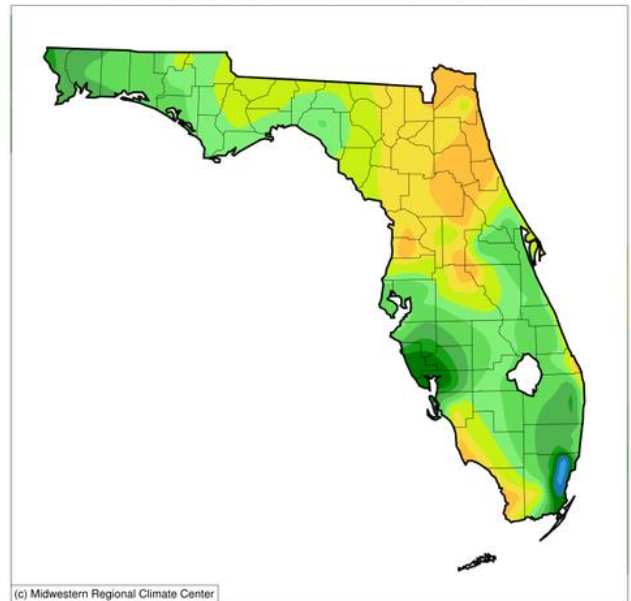
Conditions for Week Ending 11/20/22

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	0	5	26	57	12
Pasture & range...	3	12	36	40	9

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/20/22

Topsoil	Previous week (percent)	This week (percent)
Very short.....	1	1
Short.....	13	15
Adequate.....	66	74
Surplus.....	20	10

Accumulated Precipitation (in) November 14, 2022 to November 20, 2022



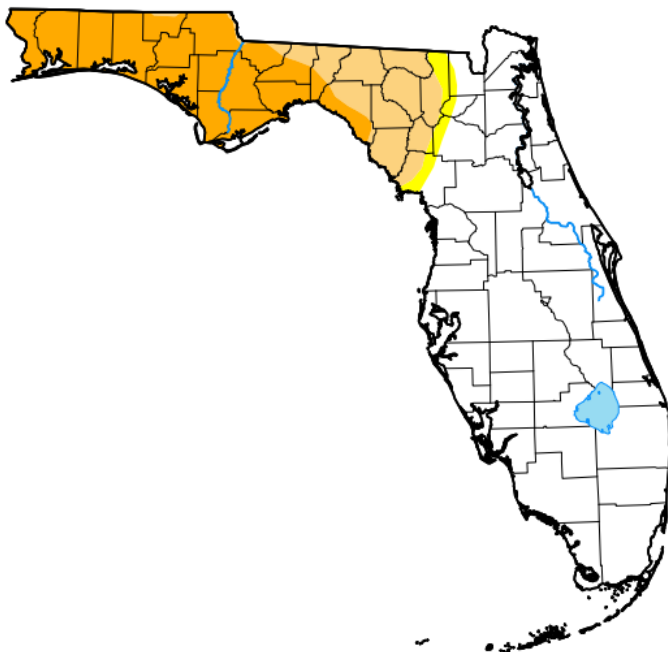
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U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



November 15, 2022

(Released Thursday, Nov. 17, 2022)

Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	68.30	31.70	29.86	19.77	0.00	0.00
Last Week 11-08-2022	64.27	35.73	31.58	26.82	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-16-2022	88.56	11.44	1.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-04-2022	76.97	23.03	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2022	91.16	8.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 11-16-2021	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

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

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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