

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.

June 26, 2023 Media Contact: Mark Hudson

General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 25, 2023. Precipitation for the state ranged from 0.1 inches in Venice (Sarasota County) to 10.7 inches at Cross City Airport (Dixie County). The average mean temperature ranged from 76.4°F in Lake City (Columbia County) to 86.9°F at Marathon Airport (Monroe County).

Citrus

Temperatures were seasonally warm in the citrus growing region last week, with average highs from the high 80's to the low 90's. The hottest readings were recorded in Clermont (Lake County) and Sebring (Highlands County), both reaching 92 degrees, followed by Kenansville (Osceola County) reading 90 degrees. The citrus belt received widespread moderate to heavy rainfall during the reporting period due to a frontal system which slowly spread southward across the state. The most rain fell in Mount Plymouth (Lake County), measuring 5.3 inches of precipitation, followed by Kenansville (Osceola County) reading 5.2 inches, and Fellsmere (Indian River County) registering 5.1 inches. According to the June 22, 2023, U.S. Drought Monitor, continued improvement in soil moisture profiles eliminated all moderate drought, leaving abnormally dry conditions only along the west coast of the peninsula, and in the western portion of the citrus belt. The remainder of the citrus growing region remained drought free.

Grove operations included spraying pesticides and nutritionals, fertilizing, spraying herbicides, mowing, discing, removal of dead trees, replanting young trees, and general grove maintenance. Irrigation was being run as needed, while water levels in canals and ditches were rising. Field personnel reported next year's fruit sizing well, with oranges ping-pong ball size and larger.

Crops

Most of the state received a moderate to significant amount of rain last week, with the north central region of the state receiving the most precipitation. Rain delayed field work for many operators, with reporters noting flooding in some fields. In areas where conditions allowed, operators nearly completed cotton planting and completed peanut planting. Cotton squaring and peanut pegging both continued to make good progress. Crops that were harvested last week included mango, potatoes, peas, squash, and sweet corn. Potato harvest was beginning to wind down in the Flagler County area.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures were reported in mostly fair to good condition. Reporters noted that recent rain helped improve pasture development and allowed for more fertilizer applications to be made.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 6/25/23

Crop	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Planted Cotton - Squaring Cotton - Setting Bolls Peanuts - Planted Peanuts - Pegging	99 11 2 100 34	98 15 0 98 18	99 26 0 100 38	98 25 1 100 33

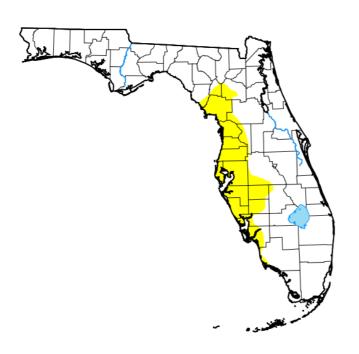
Conditions for Week Ending 6/25/23

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Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Cattle	1	3	27 25	54 67	15	
Pasture & range	1	3	22	45	29	
Peanuts	0	1	24	75	0	

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 6/25/23

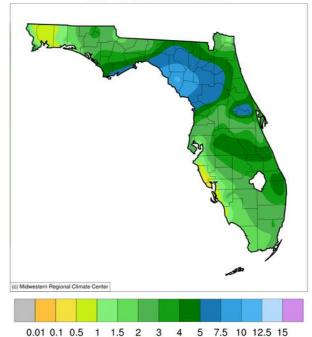
Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very shortShortAdequateSurplus	2 10 70 18	1 6 74 19

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



Accumulated Precipitation (in)

June 19, 2023 to June 25, 2023



https://mrcc.purdue.edu/CLIMATE/

June 20, 2023

(Released Thursday, Jun. 22, 2023)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	83.10	16.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-13-2023	83.10	16.90	8.62	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 03-21-2023	11.52	88.48	68.74	18.24	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2023	56.61	43.39	30.80	19.77	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 06-21-2022	82.98	17.02	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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