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Non-Irrigated Crops Showed Stress

Weather Summary: According to Florida’s Automated Weather Network (FAWN), the two locations that received the most rain this past week were Arcadia (DeSoto County) with 6.63 inches and Homestead (Miami-Dade County) with 5.08 inches. Thirteen FAWN locations received one inch or more of rain while the remainder of the State received less than one inch or no rain. Minimum temperatures ranged from 53 degrees in Putnam Hall (Putnam County) to 73 degrees in Fort Lauderdale (Broward County). Maximum temperatures ranged from 84 degrees in Hastings (St. Johns County) to 94 degrees in Bronson (Levy County).

Soil Moisture Ratings

Moisture Rating	Topsoil		
	Previous week	Previous year	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	7	10	9
Short	54	32	30
Adequate	38	56	60
Surplus	1	2	1

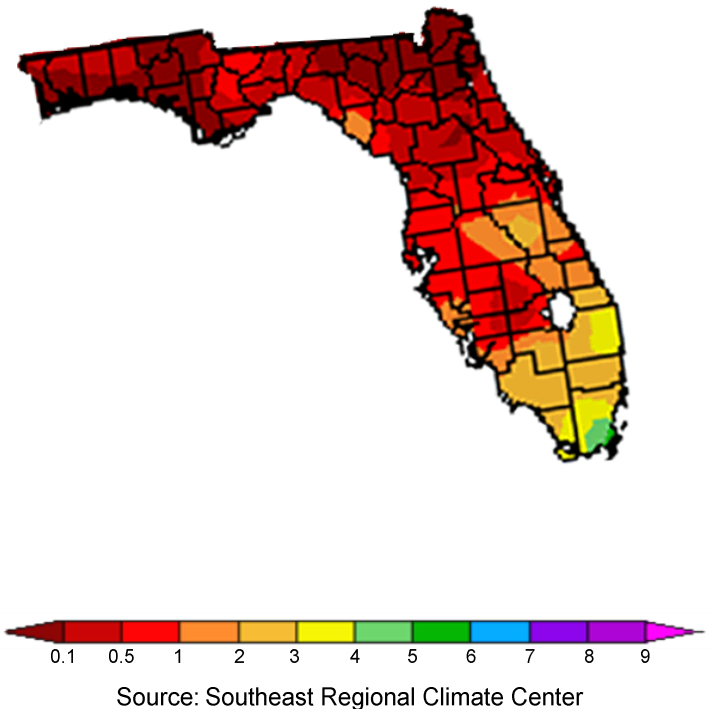
Field Crops: Farmers in the Panhandle continued planting peanuts. Non-irrigated crops showed stress due to lack of rain. Some hay was harvested but yields were low.

Peanut Progress

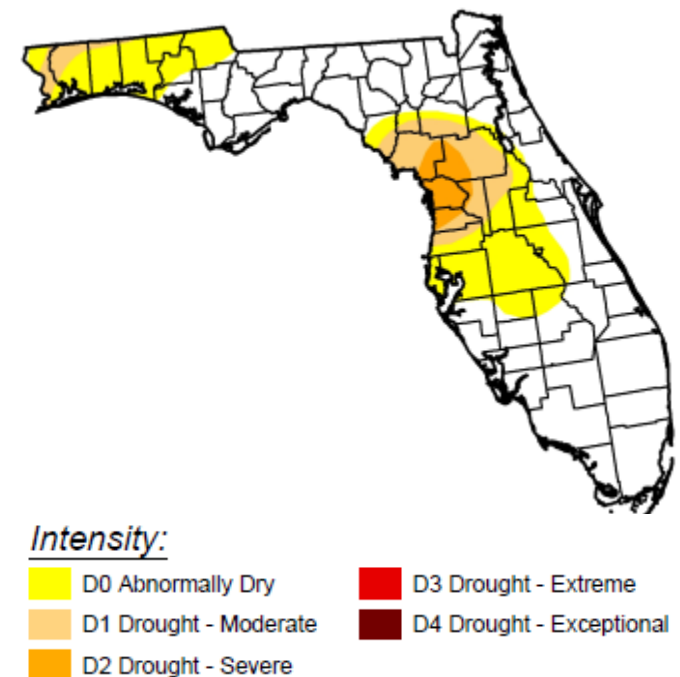
Stage	5-year average	Previous year	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Planted	86	90	74

Fruits & Vegetables: Green beans were being harvested in north Florida. Central Florida farmers started harvesting watermelons. Vegetable harvest in south Florida was winding down. Vegetables and fruits marketed included cantaloupe, sweet corn, cucumbers, eggplant, okra, peppers, potatoes, radishes, squash, tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, plum tomatoes, and watermelons.

Precipitation (in)–Florida: May 27–June 2, 2013



U.S. Drought Monitor–Florida: May 28, 2013



Livestock and Pastures: Statewide, the pasture condition was mostly fair. Drought was the limiting factor hindering forage growth. Cattle condition ranged from very poor to excellent with most in the fair to good category. Pasture condition ranged from very poor to excellent with most in the fair to good category. In the **Panhandle**, the pasture was in fair condition and cattle were in fair to good condition. In the **northern** area, the pasture and cattle were in fair condition. In the **central** area, the pasture was in fair condition and cattle were in fair to good condition. In the **southwest** area, the pasture was in good condition and cattle were in fair to good condition.

Cattle and Pasture Condition

Condition	Cattle		Pasture	
	Previous week	Current week	Previous week	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very poor.....	1	1	1	3
Poor.....	10	5	15	15
Fair.....	40	45	55	45
Good.....	44	45	27	35
Excellent.....	5	4	2	2

Citrus: High temperatures reached the upper 80s to low 90s in the citrus growing area. Rainfall was widespread, and highly variable, with all of the 25 stations recording some precipitation. Arcadia recorded the most with 6.63 inches and Ocklawaha the least with 0.15 inches. Thirteen stations recorded more than an inch, with four recording more than two inches. Drought conditions have lessened slightly, as per the U.S. Drought Monitor, last updated May 28, and only the central and northern citrus growing areas showed signs of abnormally dry conditions. Growers are busy treating for citrus greening and various diseases in affected groves. Grove activity also included hedging and topping, irrigation, and harvest of late season oranges. Next season’s crop was progressing well. At this time in the season, 17 packinghouses are still open, as are 11 processing plants. Varieties being picked included primarily Valencia oranges with some limited quantities of grapefruit.

Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested

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

Crop	For week ending:		
	May 19, 2013	May 26, 2013	June 2, 2013
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Valencia.....	5,331	4,483	3,248
Navel oranges.....	3	4	1
Red grapefruit.....	38	20	17
Total.....	5,372	4,507	3,266

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