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# FLORIDA CROP PROGRESS & CONDITION REPORT



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## **Tropical Storm Andrea Drenches Florida**

Weather Summary: According to Florida's Automated Weather Network (FAWN), Dover (Hillsborough County) received the most rain in the State with 10.83 inches and Balm (Hillsborough County) received 8.59 inches. All but one FAWN location received between one and six inches of rain. Minimum temperatures ranged from 64 degrees in Jay (Santa Rosa County) to 74 degrees in Fort Lauderdale (Broward County). Maximum temperatures ranged from 86 degrees in Carrabelle (Franklin County) to 93 degrees in Bronson (Levy County).

**Soil Moisture Ratings** 

Majatura	Topsoil			
Moisture Rating	Previous week	Previous year	Current week	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	9	3	2	
Short	30	33	11	
Adequate	60	59	79	
Surplus	1	5	8	

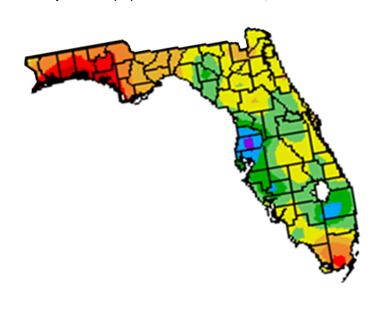
**Field Crops**: Farmers in the Panhandle continued planting field corn, cotton, peanuts, and soybeans. Wheat was being harvested. South Florida had corn and sugarcane and under water.

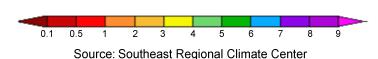
#### **Peanut Progress**

Stage	5-year average	Previous year	Current week		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Planted	92	93	79		

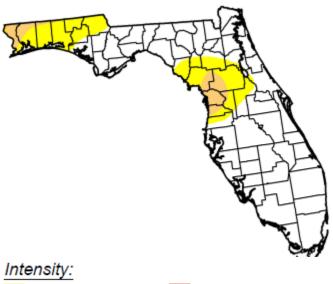
**Fruits & Vegetables**: In the Panhandle, tomato harvest is moving forward. Potatoes, squash, and cabbage were also being harvested. Cantaloupes and watermelons were being harvested in north Florida. Vegetables and fruits marketed included cantaloupe, tomatoes, plum tomatoes, and watermelons.

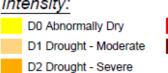
## Precipitation (in)-Florida: June 2-8, 2013





### U.S. Drought Monitor-Florida: June 4, 2013





Livestock and Pastures: Statewide, the pasture condition was fair to good. Drought was the limiting factor to forage growth in some parts of the State while other parts of the State flooding was the second limiting factor. Cattle condition was mostly in the good category for the State. Pasture condition ranged from very poor to excellent with most in the fair to good category. In the Panhandle, the pasture and cattle were in fair condition. In the northern area, the pasture and cattle were in fair condition. In the central area, the pasture was in fair to good condition and cattle were in good condition. In the southwest area, the pasture and cattle were in good condition.

#### **Cattle and Pasture Condition**

	Cattle		Pasture	
Condition	Previous week	Current week	Previous week	Current week
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very poor	1	1	3	1
Poor	5	9	15	11
Fair	45	35	45	45
Good	45	50	35	40
Excellent	4	5	2	3

Citrus: High temperatures reached the upper 80s to low 90s in the citrus growing area. Rainfall was widespread and extremely heavy, as Tropical Storm Andrea brought heavy, soaking rains to the State Thursday. Dover recorded the most, with 10.83 inches, and Sebring the least, with 2.55 inches. Eight stations recorded more than five inches; two of those recorded more than eight. Drought conditions have lessened slightly, as per the U.S. Drought Monitor, last updated June 4, and only the northern citrus growing area still showed signs of abnormally dry conditions. Growers were 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 12 packinghouses were still open, as were 9 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]

Cron	For week ending:			
Crop	May 26, 2013	June 2, 2013	June 9, 2013	
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)	
Valencia	4,483	3,248	1,508	
Navel oranges	4	1	4	
Red grapefruit	20	17	7	
Total	4,507	3,266	1,519	

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