



United States Department of Agriculture
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**Florida Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 5, 2016. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in Ocklawaha (Marion County) to 4.64 inches in Immokalee (Collier County). The average mean temperatures ranged from 77.3°F in DeFuniak Springs (Walton County) to 83.3°F in Ocklawaha (Marion County). A relatively dry week for most of the state leading into a sharp increase in precipitation through the weekend ahead of Tropical Storm Colin. The majority of the state has begun experiencing the rainfall and will likely receive more over the next few days.

Citrus

Temperatures were seasonably warm this past week in citrus producing counties. Most afternoon highs were in the upper 80s. All citrus counties had at least one day in the lower 90s. The warmest temperature was in Lake Alfred (Polk County) at 95.76 degrees. Rainfall was scattered in the citrus region. About half of the monitored stations had rainfall amounts over an inch. Two stations, Balm (Hillsborough County) in the Western area, and Immokalee (Collier County) in the Southern area, had over four inches of rainfall. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor last updated May 31, 2016, the complete citrus growing region is drought free.

Weekly Valencia orange harvest is over for the season. Growers are turning their attention to next season's crop. Most healthy trees are holding fruit golf ball size or larger. Many citrus growers are replacing trees or entire groves severely impacted by greening. As caretakers are taking out old non-productive trees, they are leaving younger healthy trees in hope of a productive crop next season. Other grove activities included irrigation, fertilizing, spraying, mowing, and brush removal.

Fruits and Vegetables

Blueberries and cantaloupe are being harvested in Dixie County. Watermelon harvest is ongoing in Dixie and Levy Counties. Summer rain patterns have begun in much of the state resulting in excellent crop growth in the central and southern counties. Vegetables are mostly finished and growers are cleaning up and fallowing fields or planting cover crops.

Livestock and Pastures

With plenty of rain and long, warm days, pastures are in mostly good condition throughout the central and southern parts of the state. Cattle are reported to be in mostly good condition and feeding on green pastures.

Field Crops

Dixie and Madison Counties report corn harvesting has begun with the quality looking good so far in Dixie, but not so in Madison. Soybeans planting is complete in Madison County. The rain received so far this week, as well as what is anticipated with Tropical Storm Colin, will likely provide more than enough soil moisture for farmers with crops still left to plant. All sugarcane harvesting has been completed and production has moved into its summer vegetative stage.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/5/16

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	6	7	9
Short	30	29	32
Adequate	58	57	55
Surplus.....	6	7	4

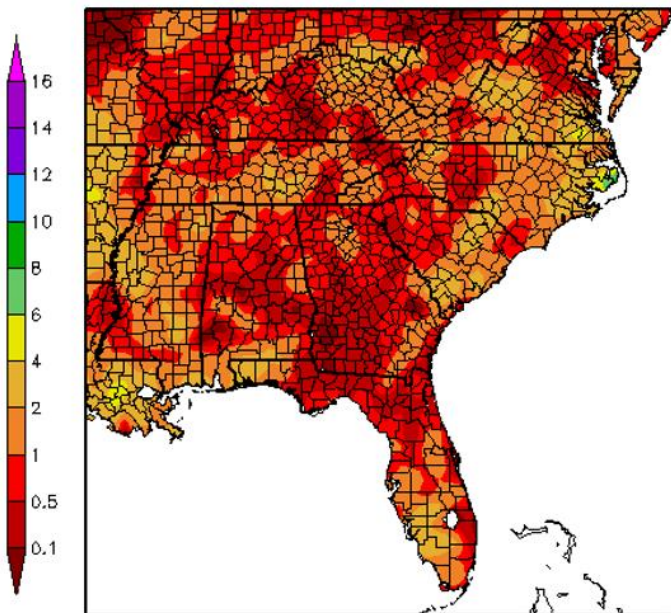
Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/5/16

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Peanuts - Planted.....	93	87	91	87

Condition for week ending 06/5/16

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	0	5	28	61	6
Pasture & Range...	3	11	37	42	7
Peanuts.....	0	1	41	57	1

Precipitation (in)
5/30/2016 - 6/5/2016



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<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

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<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>