



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
**Florida Crop Progress
and Condition Report**



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 7, 2016. Precipitation estimates ranged from 0.1 inches in Clewiston (Hendry County) to 7.4 inches in Bronson (Levy County). The average mean temperatures ranged from 78.6°F in Mayo (Lafayette County) to 83.6°F in Ft. Lauderdale (Broward County). Scattered rain fell across many parts of the state this week bringing some relief. There are still counties along the northern and eastern edges of the state dealing with abnormally dry conditions. Reporter comments from Brevard and Indian Counties indicate that it has been a dry hurricane season thus far.

Citrus

Temperatures remained elevated in the citrus producing counties, reaching the mid to high 90s in most areas. The highest temperature was in Pierson (Volusia County) at 98.56 degrees. Rainfall was reported at all of the seventeen monitored stations, ranging from a low of 0.1 inches in Clewiston (Hendry County) to a high of 4.03 inches in Umatilla (Lake County). The citrus belt continued to be affected by high temperatures, less than average rainfall, and abnormally dry conditions, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor last updated August 2, 2016.

Field workers report widespread irrigation across the citrus growing region. Other grove maintenance included spraying to combat the greening disease and mowing. Growers also continue to push dead and dying trees, resetting new trees as they are able.

Fruits and Vegetables

Vegetable growers continue to prepare the land for the upcoming season. Some early plantings may begin within the next few weeks. Crops coming to market include avocado, bitter melon, boniato, malanga, mango, okra, peas, and other tropical fruits.

Livestock and Pastures

Pasture quality remains in mostly good condition throughout the state. Some areas, where heavy rainfall was received over a short period of time, have reported standing water in pastures. Cattle continue to look good.

Field Crops

Corn shelling started this week in Escambia County. Sorghum planting is done in Lafayette County. Hay continues to be cut in Bradford, Dixie, Okeechobee, and Orange Counties. There were reports of armyworms and loopers in hay fields in Pasco County.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 08/08/16

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	3	9	1
Short	20	24	14
Adequate	60	55	73
Surplus.....	17	12	12

Crop Progress for Week Ending 08/08/16

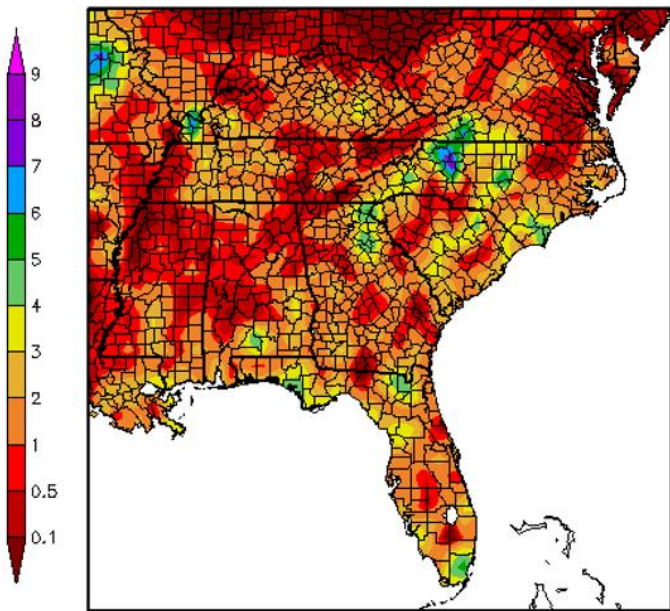
Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Peanuts - Pegging.....	98	96	96	94

Condition for week ending 08/08/16

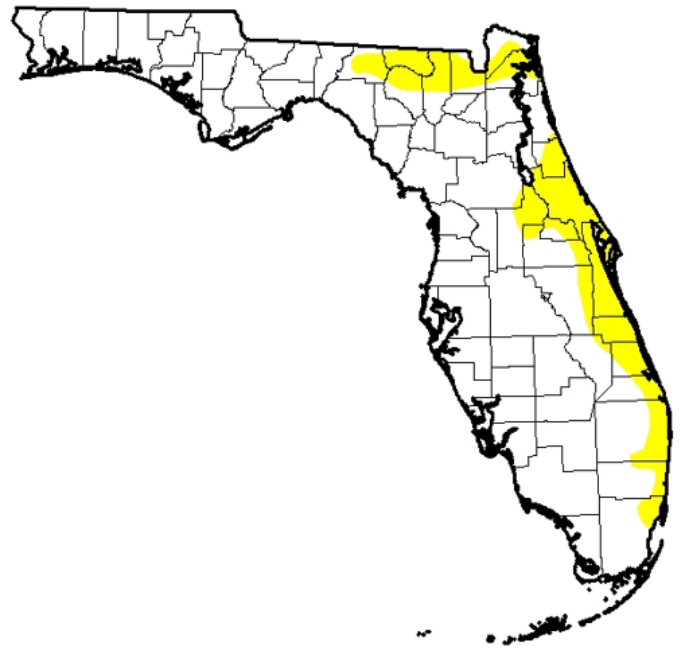
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	0	3	25	63	9
Pasture & Range...	3	7	25	49	16
Peanuts.....	2	4	24	65	5

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

Precipitation (in)
8/1/2016 - 8/7/2016



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



Intensity

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

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