



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 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 13, 2016. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in several locations, including Balm (Hillsborough County), Citra (Marion County), and Marianna (Jackson County) to 0.22 inches in Jay (Santa Rosa County). The average mean temperatures ranged from 59.8°F in DeFuniak Springs (Walton County) to 74.0°F in Ft. Lauderdale (Broward County). The drought continued this week with more counties in the Panhandle experiencing abnormally dry conditions. Farmers across the state all express an immediate need for rainfall.

**Citrus**

Temperatures were about average this week in the citrus belt. Highs were in the upper 70s to mid-80s, while temperatures at night were mostly in the 50s and 60s. None of the eighteen monitored stations recorded significant precipitation for the week. In the past 30 days only Vero Beach (Indian River County) and Pierson (Volusia County) have recorded more than an half of an inch of rainfall. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor last updated November 8, 2016, the complete citrus region remains drought free.

Weekly harvesting is still only for the fresh market. Fallglo tangerine harvest appears to be winding down; Sunburst tangerine harvest is lagging this season. Field observations indicate that sizes have been very small on all early tangerine varieties. Other citrus being harvested for the fresh market includes early oranges, Ambersweet and Navel oranges, white and red grapefruit. Only a couple of plants are processing packinghouse eliminations. Growers are mowing before harvest. Irrigation is being run 2-3 days a week in most well cared for groves due to the dry weather over the past several weeks.

**Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested**

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

Crop	For week ending			Previous Year
	Oct 30, 2016	Nov 6, 2016	Nov 13, 2016	Nov 15, 2015
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Early and Mid-oranges.....	40	50	69	116
Ambersweet .....	1	1	0	2
Navel oranges.....	20	27	32	71
White grapefruit.....	24	28	56	48
Red grapefruit .....	115	181	193	230
Tangelos.....	0	0	1	5
Sunburst tangerines	0	2	11	59
Fallglo tangerines...	33	27	20	1
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>532</b>

**Fruits and Vegetables**

Vegetable growers continue to irrigate, prepare land, and plant crops. Leafy greens and cabbage are being planted in Flagler and Putnam Counties. Crops coming to market this week include avocado, bitter melon, boniato, cucumber, eggplant, herbs, malanga, okra, pepper, star fruit, squash, tomato, watermelon, zucchini, and other tropical fruits.

**Livestock and Pastures**

The lack of rain continues to impact pasture conditions throughout much of the state. Water sources are drying out. Winter forages are not able to be planted in many locations due to the dry soil. Some exceptions, where the pastures are green and improving, are located in the southern part of the state. Cattle continues to be in mostly good condition, but with slight declines reported.

**Field Crops**

Cotton harvesting activities continue in Okaloosa, Walton, and Washington Counties. The peanut harvest is nearly complete, but there are some areas that remain too dry to dig. Sugarcane harvest continues unimpeded in Glades, Hendry, and Palm Beach Counties.

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/13/16

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	27	15	4
Short .....	28	24	29
Adequate .....	43	55	61
Surplus.....	2	6	6

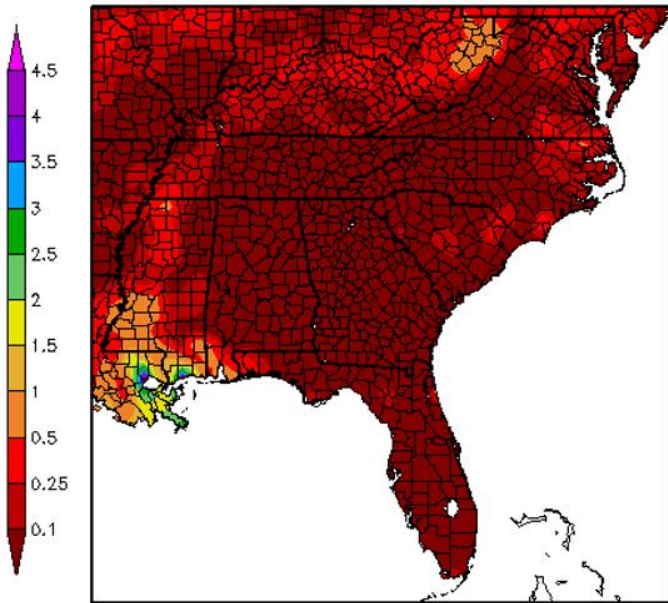
### Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/13/16

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Peanuts - Harvested.....	99	96	95	97

### Condition for week ending 11/13/16

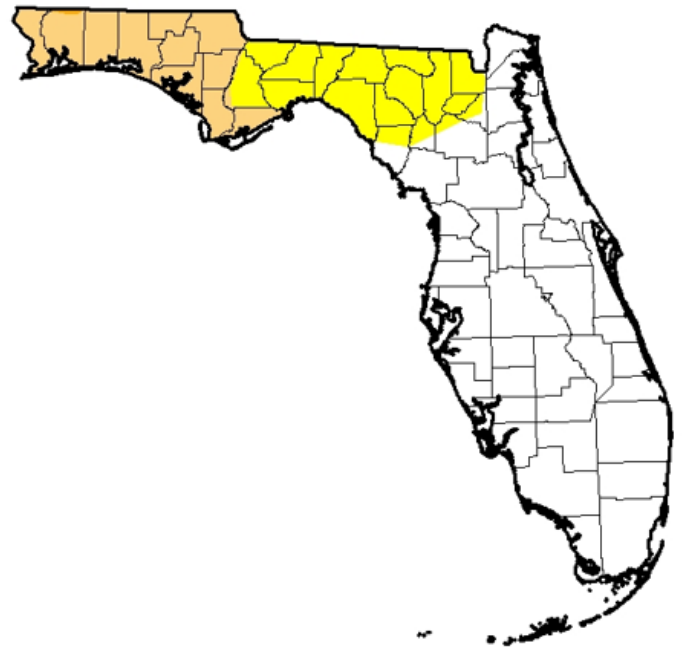
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	0	2	34	55	9
Pasture & Range...	4	14	40	38	4

Precipitation (in)  
11/7/2016 - 11/13/2016



Generated 11/14/16 at HPRCC using provisional data. Regional Climate Centers.  
<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>