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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 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 9, 2017. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in multiple locations to 4.5 inches in Naples (Collier County). The average mean temperatures ranged from 80.4°F in Niceville (Okaloosa County) to 87.1°F in Miami (Miami-Dade County). Less rainfall this week proved beneficial to farmers who had been waiting for their fields to dry out in order to apply nutrients and pesticides.

Citrus

Daily temperatures across the citrus region were above average, with most days reaching the lower to mid-90s. The highest recorded temperature in the northern region was in Clermont (Lake County) at 98°F and in the southern region was Sebring (Highlands County) at 98°F. All areas received rainfall during the week. About a third of the monitored counties had more than an inch of rainfall. The most rainfall recorded was in Clermont (Lake County) at 3.03 inches, followed by Kenansville (Osceola County) at 2.82 inches. According to the July 4, 2017, U.S. Drought Monitor, the complete citrus growing region is drought free.

Grove activity is slow in the citrus groves. Only a few growers are irrigating. Some are fertilizing, or performing general grove maintenance. The fruit and trees are responding well to the rainfall, showing good signs of growth with new leaves on the trees.

Fruits and Vegetables

Crops coming to market this week include avocado, bitter melon, boniato, malanga, mango, okra, and tropical fruit.

Livestock and Pastures

Pasture conditions continue to improve with rainfall. Cattle in Brevard and Indian River Counties are looking healthy and there are a lot of calves in herds. Cattle and pasture conditions are generally good throughout the state.

Field Crops

Peanuts in Jackson County are looking good. Farmers were able to get into the fields in order to apply fungicides and take care of some weed control. It is still too wet to get in to many fields in Holmes County. Corn harvesting activities were reported in Dixie County. Producers in Lafayette County reported harvesting tobacco and cutting sileage this week. A mix of sun and light rain over the course of the week has helped the sugarcane and rice to develop in Palm Beach County.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/9/17

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 year avg	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short Short Adequate Surplus	0 11 76 13	0 10 73 17	2 14 73 11	

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/9/17

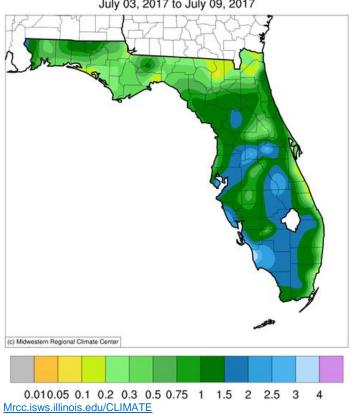
Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Squaring Cotton - Setting Bolls	69 8	51 1 49	NA NA 77	NA NA 63
Peanuts - Pegging	66	49	//	03

Condition for week ending 07/9/17

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Crop	Very poor	Poor	Poor Fair		Excellent				
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)				
Cattle Cotton Pasture & range Peanuts	1 3 1 1	5 15 7 5	22 35 18 20	66 33 62 65	6 14 12 9				

Accumulated Precipitation (in)

July 03, 2017 to July 09, 2017



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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