

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 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 24, 2018. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in Niceville (Okaloosa County) and Jacksonville Beach (Duval County) to 5.1 inches in Orlando (Orange County). The average mean temperature ranged from 81.1°F in Fort Pierce (Saint Lucie County) to 85.9°F in Apalachicola (Franklin County) and Sanborn (Wakulla County).

Citrus

The citrus region continued to receive spotty, mostly convective thunderstorm activity. In the northern area, Orlando West (Orange County) had the most rainfall for the week at 5.09 inches. In the southern area, the most rainfall recorded was in Muse (Glades County) at 2.12 inches for the week. Most stations in the Indian River district and the central and western citrus growing areas received less than an inch of rainfall for the week. Warm weather over the complete citrus region produced highs on most days in the low to mid 90s. The warmest maximum temperatures were in Avon Park (Polk County) and Clermont (Lake County) at 97°F. According to the June 21, 2018 U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus region was drought free.

Irrigation continued to run daily across the citrus region. Owners continued with robust grove maintenance schedules. Most were busy spraying, fertilizing, herbiciding and mowing. Field workers were reporting good fruit sets and good sizes. Owners have a positive outlook for the new season's crop.

Fruits and Vegetables

Crops harvested included avocado, bitter melon, boniato, malanga, mango, and okra. Land preparation for the fall planting season was hindered by daily afternoon rains.

Livestock and Pastures

Pasture quality was mostly good, and cattle were fattening nicely.

Field Crops

Hay cutting was underway in several counties across the northern portion of the state. Field corn was looking good and was ready or nearly ready for harvest. Silage harvest began in Gilchrist County. Sugarcane and rice were doing well.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 6/24/18

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	0 9 76 15	0 7 73 20	2 13 74 11

Crop Progress for Week Ending 6/24/18

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Squaring	27	14	25	NA
Cotton - Setting Bolls	0	NA	NA	NA
Peanuts - Pegging	17	8	38	31

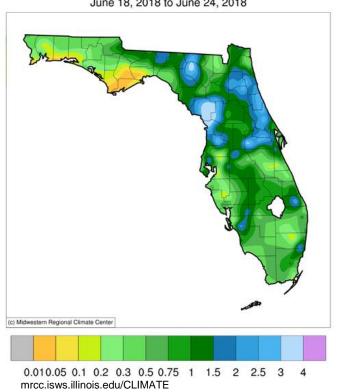
Condition for Week Ending 6/24/18

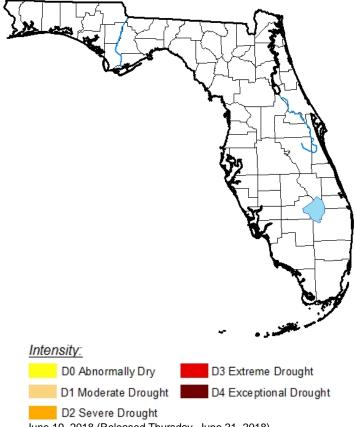
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
Cattle	1	2	21	55	21			
Cotton	1	3	19	65	12			
Pasture & range	1	4	20	59	16			
Peanuts	0	1	16	73	10			

U.S. Drought Monitor **Florida**

Accumulated Precipitation (in)

June 18, 2018 to June 24, 2018





June 19, 2018 (Released Thursday, June 21, 2018) http://droughtmonitor.unl