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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 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 2, 2019. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in multiple locations to 3.11 inches in Archer (Alachua County). The average mean temperature ranged from 78.3°F in Vero Beach (Indian River County) to 87.6°F in Jacksonville (Duval County).

Citrus

The citrus growing region had another week of very warm temperatures. Daily highs were consistently in the low to mid 90s, with maximum temperatures reaching 97 to 99°F in several counties. Only a couple of counties received rainfall during the week, and only on one or two days. The most recorded rainfall was in Palmdale (Glades County) at 1.08 inches. According to the May 28, 2019 U.S. Drought Monitor, abnormally dry conditions have spread to several northern counties of Florida, but at this point the complete citrus growing region remains drought free.

Valencia harvest, although showing signs of slowing, still continued through the end of May. Two and a half million boxes were harvested for the week ending May 26, 2019, compared to 81,000 boxes last season. Harvest this season is projected to finish sometime in June.

Grove activities included mowing, applying herbicide under the trees, spraying nutritionals and insecticides, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance. Resets were being planted as they became available. Next year’s fruit is growing as normal, approximately golf ball size on oranges, larger for grapefruit. Irrigation was running several times a week in most areas.

Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested

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

Crop	For week ending			Previous Year
	May 12, 2019 (Final)	May 19, 2019 (Final)	May 26, 2019 (Preliminary)	May 27, 2018 (Actual)
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Valencia oranges.....	3,363	3,056	2,505	81
Red grapefruit	11	1	1	0
Tangerines and Tangelos	2	0	0	0
Total.....	3,376	3,057	2,506	81

Source: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service Fruit and Vegetable Division

Fruits and Vegetables

Watermelon harvesting began in Union County. Vegetable growers throughout the southern peninsula continued cleaning equipment and fields to fallow them for the summer. A variety of fruits and vegetables continued to be planted and brought to market this week.

Livestock and Pastures

Pasture conditions continued deteriorating due to hot, dry conditions. Surface water sources for livestock continued drying up. Cattle condition was mostly fair to good throughout the state.

Field Crops

Multiple growers reported not being able to plant crops due to the dry conditions throughout the Panhandle and northern peninsula. Hay cutting activities were reported in Osceola County. Producers in Flagler and Putnam counties were harvesting the last of the potatoes.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/03/19

Topsoil	This week	Previous week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	26	26
Short.....	31	38
Adequate.....	38	35
Surplus.....	5	1

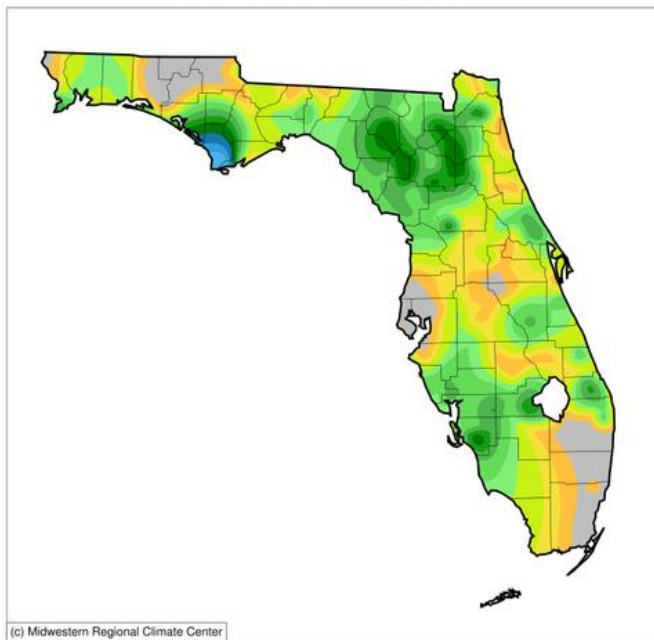
Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/03/19

Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Planted	78	75	73	80
Cotton - Squaring	0	NA	0	1
Peanuts - Planted.....	90	86	87	87

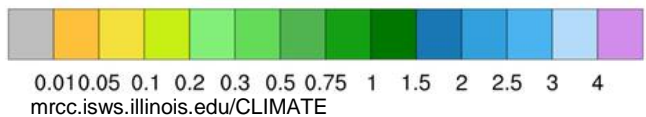
Condition for Week Ending 06/03/19

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	6	27	49	17
Cotton.....	17	32	50	1	0
Pasture & range	3	16	29	41	11
Peanut.....	3	3	55	38	1

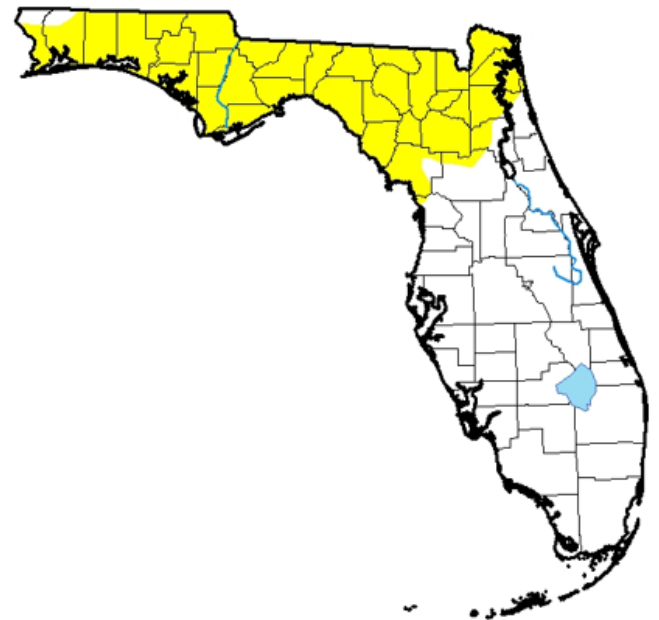
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 27, 2019 to June 02, 2019



(c) Midwestern Regional Climate Center



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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<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>