



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 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 14, 2019. Precipitation estimates ranged from 0.06 inches in Neptune Beach (Duval County) to 9.51 inches in St. Petersburg (Pinellas County). The average mean temperature ranged from 80.7°F in Jasper (Hamilton County) to 85.4°F in Jacksonville (Duval County).

### Citrus

Maximum temperatures across the citrus growing region were in the low to mid 90s. The hottest reading was in Mount Plymouth (Lake County) at 94°F. A broken, highly-variable rainfall fell across the region. The central and southern citrus regions received daily showers while the other regions received minimal rainfall throughout the week, resulting in dryer soil conditions. Lady Lake (Lake County) had the most rainfall with 5.91 inches. According to the July 11, 2019 U.S. Drought Monitor, the complete citrus region remained drought free.

Valencia harvest is complete for the season.

Grove activities included mowing, herbiciding, irrigating, spraying, fertilizing, hedging, and general grove maintenance. The new crop is progressing well; early oranges and navels are approximately tennis ball size.

### Fruits and Vegetables

Watermelon harvesting activities were reported in St. Lucie County. A variety of fruits and vegetables continued to be planted and brought to market this week.

### Livestock and Pastures

Livestock producers in DeSoto County planted and cut limpoggrass. Feeder bands from Tropical Storm Barry provided rainfall to central and south counties, slightly improving pasture quality. Cattle condition remained mostly good throughout the state.

### Field Crops

Continued drought conditions in some areas of the Panhandle slowed crop progress. Cotton and peanut condition declined. Producers harvested hay in several counties. Tobacco harvesting was underway in Lafayette County.

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/14/19

Topsoil	This week	Previous week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	5	6
Short.....	11	10
Adequate.....	79	80
Surplus.....	5	4

### Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/14/19

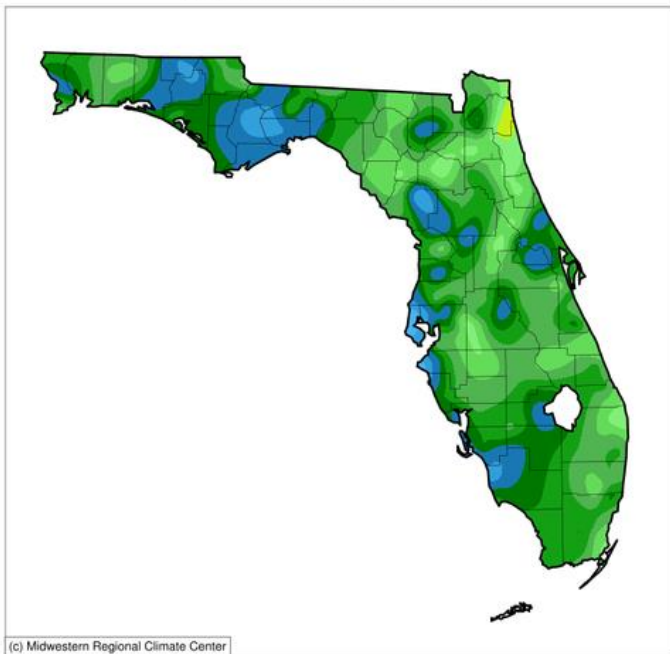
Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Squaring.....	68	65	52	NA
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	20	17	12	NA
Peanuts - Pegging.....	71	68	64	74

### Condition for Week Ending 07/14/19

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	0	4	17	68	11
Cotton.....	3	12	58	26	1
Pasture & range.....	2	5	16	64	13
Peanut.....	1	9	37	50	3

## U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

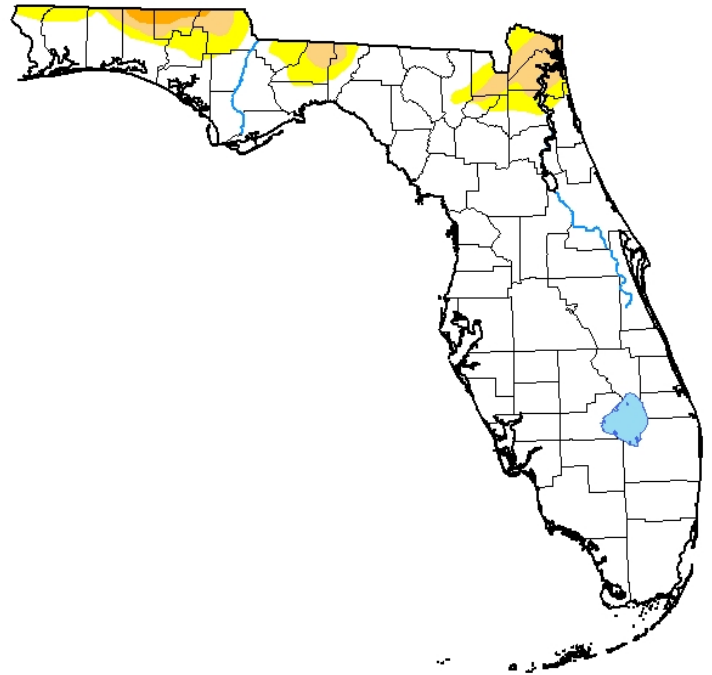
Accumulated Precipitation (in)  
July 08, 2019 to July 14, 2019



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#### Intensity:

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

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