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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 21, 2019. Precipitation estimates ranged from trace amounts of rain in multiple locations to 8.19 inches in Ellenton (Manatee County). The average mean temperature ranged from 80.5°F in Moore Haven (Glades County) to 87.8°F in North Miami Beach (Miami-Dade County).

Citrus

Maximum temperatures across the citrus growing region were in the low to upper 90s. The hottest reading was in Central Florida (Lake County) at 97°F. Seasonal rainfall patterns continued across the citrus region. Apopka (Orange County) had the most rainfall with 3.85 inches, followed by Zephyrhills (Pasco County) with 3.62 inches. According to the July 18, 2019 U.S. Drought Monitor, the complete citrus region remained drought free.

Valencia harvest is complete for the season.

Grove activities included mowing, herbiciding under the trees, spraying nutritionals and insecticides, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance. The new crop progressed well; grapefruits were approximately baseball size, early oranges were a little smaller than baseballs, and navels were approximately tennis ball size.

Fruits and Vegetables

Growers in Walton County were harvesting the last of the summer vegetables. Many growers in the southern peninsula began preparing land and sowing seed in transplant houses for fall crops. A variety of fruits and vegetables continued to be planted and brought to market this week.

Livestock and Pastures

Livestock producers in DeSoto County continued planting and cutting limpograss. Pasture quality continued to improve in the central and southern parts of the state due to adequate rainfall. Cattle condition remained mostly good throughout the state.

Field Crops

Peanuts were showing signs of heat stress due to dry conditions in Jackson County. Some of the peanut crop in Dixie County began showing yellowing leaves. Producers in Walton County reported harvesting the last of the corn, and expressed concerns about the recent dry spell producing a poor quality crop. The sugarcane crop continued looking good.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/21/19

Topsoil	This week	Previous week		
	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	15	5 11 79 5		

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/21/19

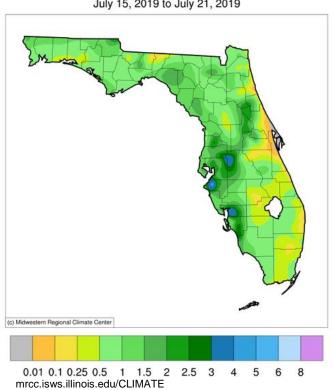
Crop stage	This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Squaring	88	68	62	NA
Cotton - Setting Bolls	50	20	34	NA
Peanuts - Pegging	84	71	74	83

Condition for Week Ending 07/21/19

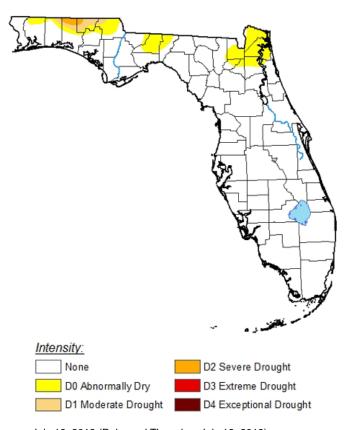
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cattle Cotton Pasture & range Peanut	0 0 2 0	2 4 4 0	20 55 17 40	60 41 57 51	18 0 20 9		

Accumulated Precipitation (in)

July 15, 2019 to July 21, 2019



U.S. Drought Monitor **Florida**



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