



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 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, January 5, 2020. Precipitation estimates ranged from trace amounts of rain in multiple locations to 4.11 inches in Mayo (Lafayette County). The average mean temperature ranged from 54.6°F in Crestview (Okaloosa County) to 76.6°F in Key West (Monroe County).

Citrus

Maximum temperatures early in the week were in the mid to upper 80s, nearing record highs in several locations. A cold front dropped temperatures to the low to mid 40s in all citrus producing counties later in the week. The cooler weather is beneficial to the citrus crop, helping it to achieve cold heartiness for future cold snaps. Rainfall amounts ranged from trace amounts in several locations to just over one inch in Fellsmere (Indian River County). According to the January 2, 2020, U.S. Drought Monitor, parts of Collier, Glades, Hendry, Indian River, and Osceola counties experienced abnormally dry conditions. The remaining portion of the citrus growing region was drought free.

Early orange harvest was in full swing. Some processing plants were closed on December 25 and January 1 but resumed taking field run fruit after the holidays. Fruit harvested for the fresh market included white and red grapefruit, early and midseason oranges, tangerines, and tangelos.

Other grove activities included mowing, spraying, irrigation, and general grove maintenance.

Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested

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

Crop	For week ending			Previous Year
	Dec 15, 2019 (Preliminary)	Dec 22, 2019 (Preliminary)	Dec 29, 2019 (Preliminary)	Dec 30, 2018 (Actual)
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Early and Mid-oranges	2,405	2,872	1,580	1,800
Navel oranges	83	54	29	26
Red grapefruit	74	71	79	103
White grapefruit..	11	28	12	31
Tangerines and Tangelos	33	24	21	25
Total	2,606	3,049	1,721	1,985

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

Fruits and Vegetables

A wide range of fruits and vegetables were planted while others were harvested and brought to market. Vegetable growers continued preparing land and planting spring watermelons, among other spring crops. Some tomatoes and strawberries in Manatee County experienced pest and fungal pressures.

Livestock and Pastures

Cool season forages were progressing well in Santa Rosa County. Cattle remained in mostly good condition throughout the state.

Field Crops

Cover crops and small grains continued progressing well in Santa Rosa County. Sugarcane harvest continued.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 01/05/20

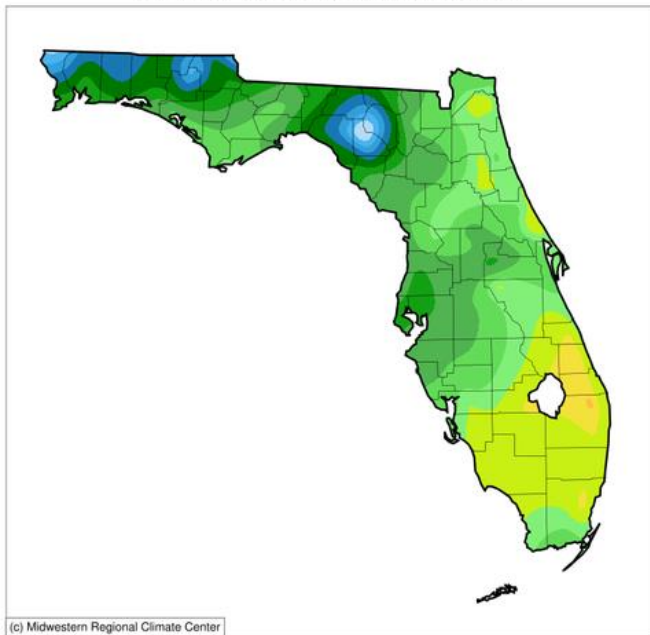
Topsoil	This week	Previous week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	0
Short.....	3	5
Adequate.....	89	87
Surplus.....	7	8

Condition for Week Ending 01/05/20

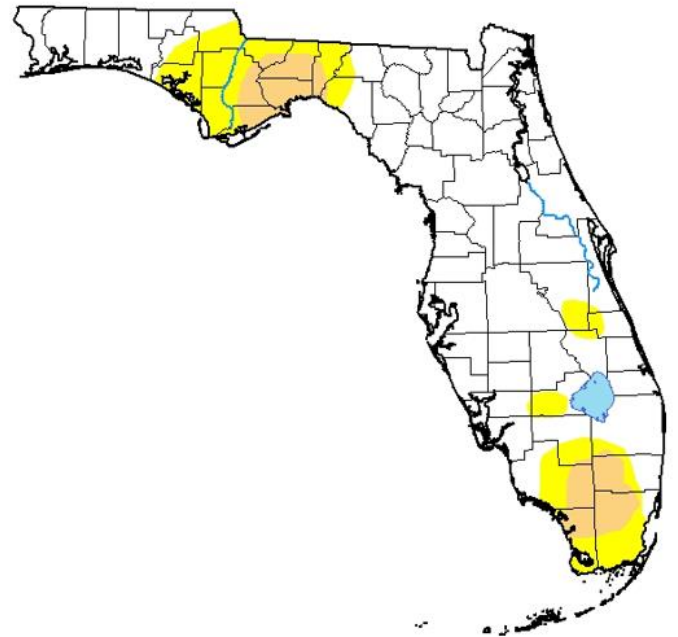
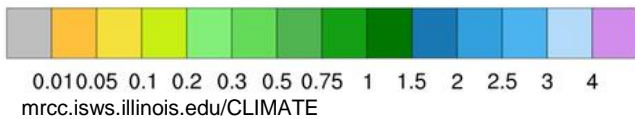
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	4	28	58	9
Pasture & range	1	13	35	48	3

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
December 30, 2019 to January 05, 2020



(c) Midwestern Regional Climate Center



Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

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