



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, February 9, 2020. Precipitation estimates ranged from 0.04 inches in John Pennekamp State Park (Monroe County) to 6.6 inches in Milton (Santa Rosa County). The average mean temperature ranged from 54.7°F in Tallahassee (Leon County) to 72.8°F in Key West (Monroe County).

Citrus

Maximum temperatures in the citrus growing region ranged from the lower to upper 80s. The highest maximum reading was in Vero Beach (Indian River County), at 88°F. The greatest rainfall was in Lake Placid (Highlands County), at 1.27 inches. According to the February 6, 2020, U.S. Drought Monitor, abnormally dry conditions continued in the western citrus growing area and parts of the central area. The remaining portion of the citrus growing region was drought free.

Packinghouses were packing midseason oranges, grapefruit, and several mandarin varieties. They also began packing Valencia oranges. Non-Valencia harvest was in full swing and is expected to run late into February.

Grove operations included fertilizing, hedging, and applying herbicide. Caretakers were mowing groves before harvest. Irrigation was run several times per week in most areas. On the east coast, ditches and reservoirs were low. Field staff reported seeing more signs of early bloom.

Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested

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

Crop	For week ending			Previous Year
	Jan 19, 2020 (Final)	Jan 26, 2020 (Preliminary)	Feb 2, 2020 (Preliminary)	Feb 3, 2019 (Actual)
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Early and Mid-oranges	3,227	3,022	2,731	2,756
Navel oranges	57	26	11	14
Valencia oranges	2	6	27	6
Red grapefruit	200	233	220	170
White grapefruit..	41	21	55	53
Tangerines and Tangelos	79	51	54	31
Total	3,606	3,359	3,098	3,030

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

Fruits and Vegetables

High winds were reported in several counties throughout the state. Some crops in the southern peninsula experienced tattered leaves, blooms knocked off, and scarred fruit. Strawberry producers in Manatee County continued struggling with pestalopsis. A wide range of fruits and vegetables were planted while others were harvested and brought to market.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle remained in mostly good condition throughout the state. Cattle were grazing in pastures in Brevard and Indian River counties. Some supplemental feeding was reported in St. Lucie County where pastures were still dry.

Field Crops

Potato planting activities were reported in Flagler and Putnam counties. Sugarcane harvest continued.

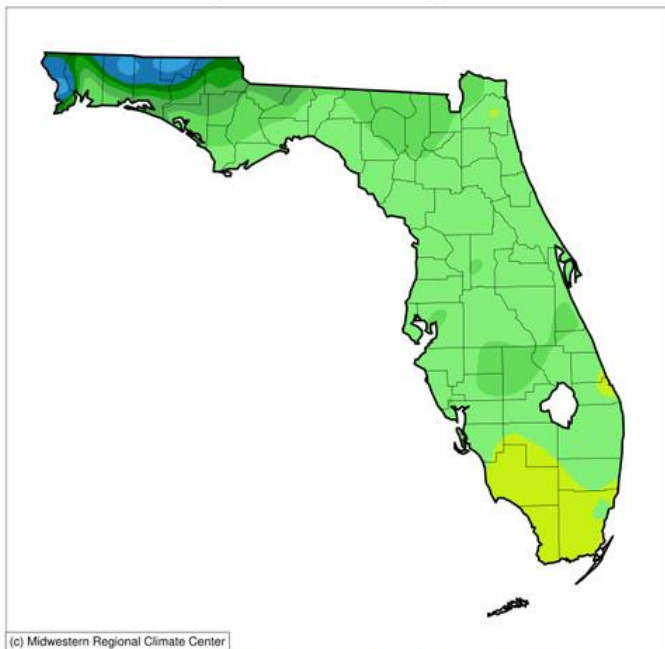
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 02/09/20

Topsoil	This week	Previous week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	2
Short.....	15	14
Adequate.....	80	81
Surplus.....	3	3

Condition for Week Ending 02/09/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	4	26	58	11
Pasture & range	4	14	35	33	14

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
February 03, 2020 to February 09, 2020

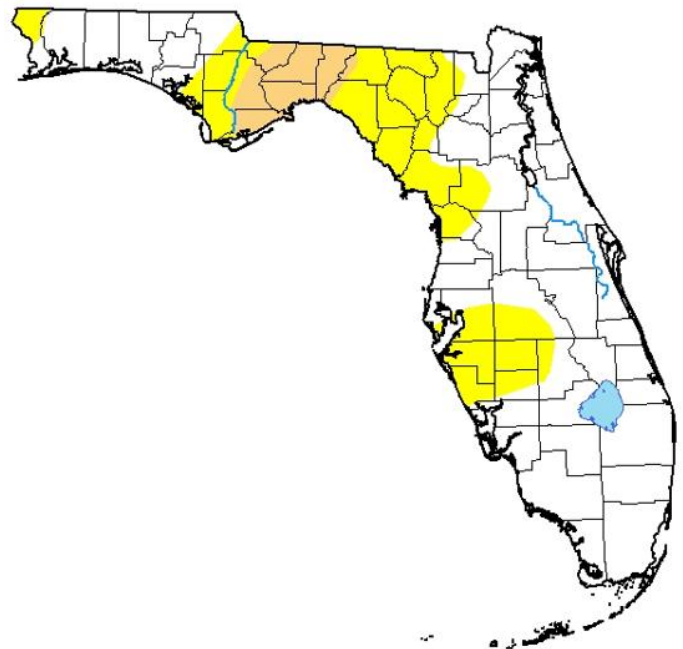


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U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



Intensity:

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

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