



United States Department of Agriculture  
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**Florida Crop Progress  
and Condition Report**



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This report contains data collected each week from respondents across the state whose occupations provide them opportunities to discuss agricultural production with farmers in their counties as well as to make visual observations. We thank all who have contributed to this report.

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**General**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 7, 2020. Precipitation for the state ranged from 0.2 inches in Curry Hammock State Park (Monroe County) to 12.1 inches in Port Salerno (Martin County). The average mean temperature ranged from 75.4°F in Jasper (Hamilton County) to 84.5°F in Key West (Monroe County).

**Citrus**

The citrus growing region had seasonably warm temperatures all week. Daily highs were in the mid 80s to mid 90s. The highest maximum reading was in Mt. Plymouth (Lake County), at 95°F. An abundance of rainfall fell across much of the citrus region. The majority of the citrus producing counties received between 2 and 4 inches of rain. The most recorded rainfall was in Lakeland (Polk County), at 9.03 inches. According to the June 4, 2020, U.S. Drought Monitor, parts of Lake, Marion, Putnam, and Volusia counties were showing abnormally dry conditions. The remaining portion of the citrus growing region was drought free.

Valencia harvest continued winding down for the season. All other varieties were finished.

Next season’s fruit progressed well. Oranges were approximately golf ball size, and grapefruit were larger. Reports from the field indicated that growers were pushing non-productive trees and resetting as trees became available. Grove activities included mowing, hedging, applying herbicide under the trees, spraying nutritionals and insecticides, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance.

**Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested**

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

Crop	Previous Year	For week ending		
	June 2, 2019 (Actual)	May 17 2020 (Final)	May 24 2020 (Final)	May 31 2020 (Preliminary)
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Valencia oranges.....	1,940	2,600	624	56
Red grapefruit....	0	1	0	0
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>2,601</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>56</b>

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

**Crops**

A variety of fruits and vegetables continued being planted and marketed. Vegetable growers in the southern peninsula continued cleaning up and fallowing fields, as well as planting cover crops. Significant rainfall caused by Tropical Storm Cristobal created flooding in some areas. Watermelon growers in the northern peninsula expressed concern that the storm may cause cracking in some of the crop remaining in the field. Pest pressures were reported by cotton and peanut producers in the Panhandle. Producers in the Panhandle and northern peninsula reported southern corn rust, as well as disease pressures on peanuts. Small grains harvesting was wrapping up in the Panhandle.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle remained in mostly good condition throughout the state. Some producers continued holding calves longer than normal due to the depressed prices. Improving pasture conditions continued throughout the state due to recent rain events although flooding was reported in low-lying pastures.

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/07/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	3	1
Short.....	17	7
Adequate.....	67	68
Surplus.....	13	24

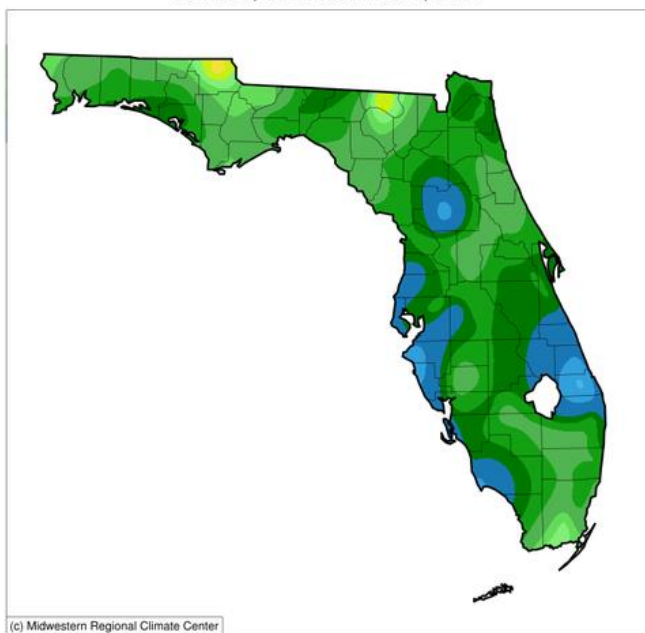
### Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/07/20

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Planted.....	86	81	88	85
Cotton - Squaring.....	7	0	1	5
Peanuts - Planted.....	94	93	97	93
Peanuts - Pegging.....	1	NA	1	1

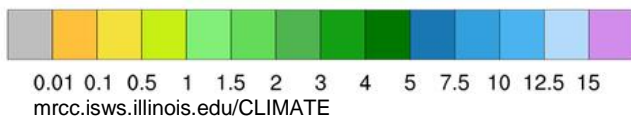
### Condition for Week Ending 06/07/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	0	3	23	63	11
Cotton.....	0	1	47	50	2
Pasture & range.....	1	5	24	57	13
Peanuts.....	0	2	29	66	3

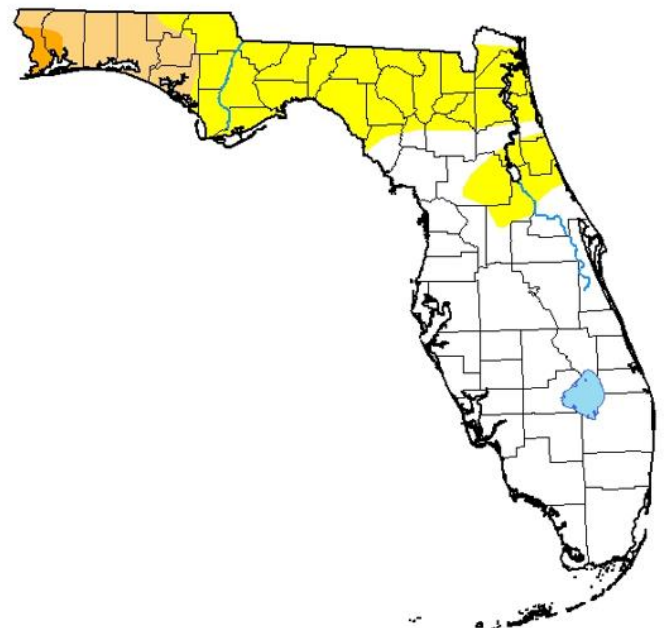
Accumulated Precipitation (in)  
June 01, 2020 to June 07, 2020



(c) Midwestern Regional Climate Center



### 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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