



United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service  
**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 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 22, 2020. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain in many locations to 3.3 inches in Daytona Beach International Airport (Volusia County). The average mean temperature ranged from 58.4°F in Whiting Field (Santa Rosa County) to 78.6°F in Curry Hammock State Park (Monroe County).

### Citrus

Temperatures were normal for this time of year in the citrus growing region. Daily highs were mostly in the mid to high 70s, with one or two days in the 80s. Most rain gauge stations showed less than an inch of rainfall for the week. Only the Indian River District had stations with over one and a half inches of rainfall. According to the November 19, 2020, U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus growing region remained drought free.

Harvesting for the fresh market included Navel and Hamlin oranges, spot picking of red and white grapefruit, and Fallglo and Early Pride tangerines. Several owners were testing fruit maturity on early variety oranges for field run. Two processing plants were open and sixteen packinghouses were shipping fruit.

Trees look healthy overall. Growers are continuing with normal production practices this time of the year, mostly mowing middles, putting out herbicides, and minimal spraying. Irrigation is being run in areas where the rain has not been as heavy.

### Crops

A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed. Some vegetable farmers in the southern part of the peninsula had to replant their crops as a result of flooding from Tropical Storm Eta.

With no rain in most parts of the Panhandle, cotton producers were able to ramp up harvest. Despite this progress, harvest remained behind normal. Peanut farmers were able to finish up harvest as well. Sugarcane harvest continued, but planting was delayed due to wet conditions.

### Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture and ranges remained in mostly good condition throughout the state. In the southern part of the peninsula, pastures dried out after being flooded by Tropical Storm Eta. Dry conditions in the Panhandle were not favorable for winter forages.

### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/22/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	0	4
Short.....	9	11
Adequate.....	53	53
Surplus.....	38	32

### Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/22/20

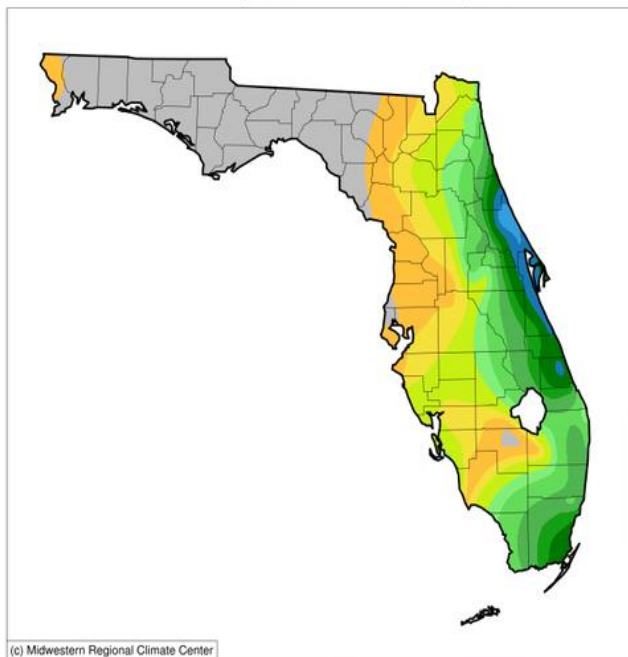
Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Harvested.....	81	36	57	66

### Condition for Week Ending 11/22/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle .....	1	2	24	57	16
Cotton.....	12	34	45	9	0
Pasture & range .....	1	7	31	48	13

#### Accumulated Precipitation (in)

November 16, 2020 to November 22, 2020



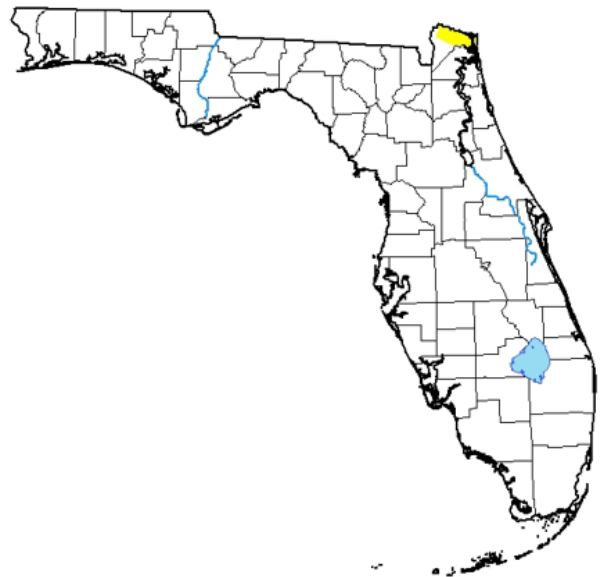
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### U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



#### Intensity:

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

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