



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 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 29, 2020. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain in many locations to 2.6 inches in Daytona Beach (Volusia County). The average mean temperature ranged from 63.4°F in Bob Sikes Airport (Okaloosa County) to 77.3°F in Key West International Airport (Monroe County).

Citrus

Temperatures were normal for this time of year in the citrus growing region. Maximum temperatures in the citrus region ranged from the low to mid 80s. The highest maximum reading was in Mount Plymouth (Lake County), at 85°F. The citrus region received very little rain for the week, with only a few stations reporting any precipitation. According to the November 25, 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 early tangerines. Two processing plants were open for eliminations and sixteen packinghouses were shipping fruit. Plants should be opening this week for field run fruit.

Trees look healthy overall. Grove activities included mowing, applying herbicides under the trees, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance. Irrigation was run across the citrus growing region.

Crops

A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed. Some vegetable farmers in the southern part of the peninsula replanted crops lost during heavy rains the last few weeks. Weather conditions earlier in the month resulted in short supply and quality issues for some vegetable crops.

Much needed rain and cooler temperatures rolled into the Panhandle. Cotton harvest continued closer to completion. After a wet week, sugarcane harvest and planting returned to normal in the southern peninsula.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture and ranges remained in mostly good condition throughout the state. Farmers in the middle part of the peninsula planted winter grazing. Water receded in low lying areas and ponds.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/29/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	4	0
Short.....	11	10
Adequate.....	53	66
Surplus.....	32	24

Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/29/20

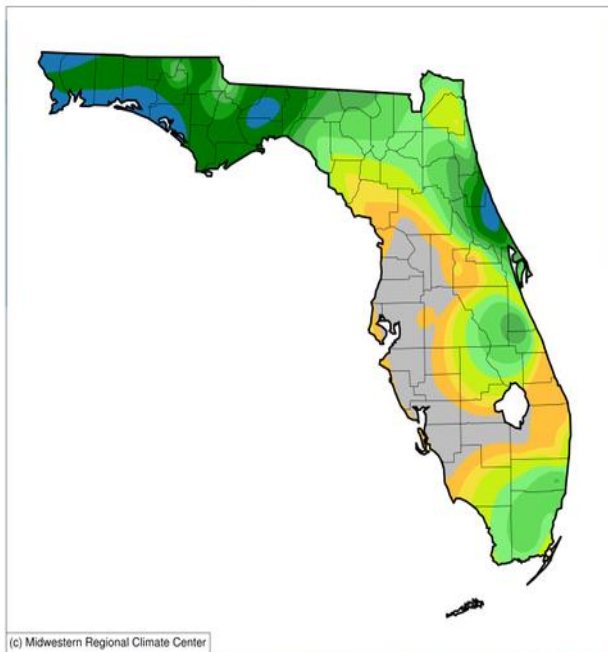
Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Harvested.....	90	57	70	78

Condition for Week Ending 11/29/20

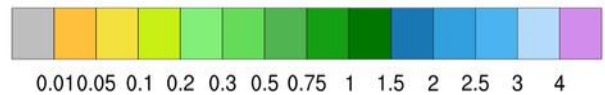
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	1	2	18	63	16
Pasture & range	1	5	26	53	15

Accumulated Precipitation (in)

November 23, 2020 to November 29, 2020

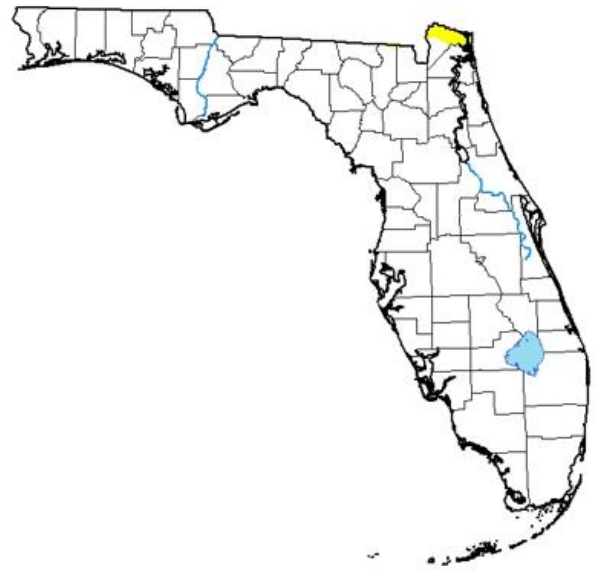


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U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



Intensity:

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

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