



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, January 10, 2021. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain in a few locations to 3.6 inches in Naples (Collier County). The average mean temperature ranged from 49.3°F in Niceville (Okaloosa County) to 69.9°F in Key West International Airport (Monroe County).

**Citrus**

Temperature varied this week in citrus producing counties. The beginning of the week had maximum temperatures in the citrus growing region ranging from the low 70s to low 80s. By midweek a cold front dropped temperatures to the mid to high 40s in several locations. The citrus region received very little rain for the week, with only a few stations reporting any precipitation. According to the January 7, 2020, U.S. Drought Monitor, abnormally dry conditions covered most of Marion County, and very small parts of Putnam and Lake County. The rest of the citrus growing region remained drought free.

Harvesting for the fresh market included early and mid-season non-Valencia oranges, Navels, grapefruit, and tangerines and tangelos. Weekly early orange harvest and mandarin harvest continues to be less than last season. Grapefruit harvest has been about the same.

Grove activities included mowing, hedging, topping, spraying and general grove maintenance. Irrigation was run in most areas. Field personal have noticed several groves with new trees in the ground. Grove owners have been busy pulling out old trees and replanting.

**Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested**

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

| Crop                          | For week ending               |                               |                              | Previous Year           |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                               | Dec 20, 2020<br>(Preliminary) | Dec 27, 2020<br>(Preliminary) | Jan 3, 2021<br>(Preliminary) | Jan 5, 2020<br>(Actual) |
|                               | (boxes)                       | (boxes)                       | (boxes)                      | (boxes)                 |
| Early and Mid-oranges .....   | 2,175                         | 1,134                         | 2,411                        | 2,834                   |
| Navel oranges ....            | 43                            | 17                            | 12                           | 44                      |
| Red grapefruit ....           | 101                           | 81                            | 120                          | 102                     |
| White grapefruit..            | 11                            | 6                             | 24                           | 16                      |
| Tangerines and Tangelos ..... | 32                            | 26                            | 20                           | 36                      |
| <b>Total .....</b>            | <b>2,362</b>                  | <b>1,264</b>                  | <b>2,587</b>                 | <b>3,032</b>            |

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

**Crops**

A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed. Rain was sporadic across the state with the Panhandle receiving most of the rainfall. Vegetable growers started to transition to spring crops. There was no pest pressure or damage reported to vegetable crops.

Cotton harvest has concluded in the state. Sugarcane planting and harvesting continued in the southern part of the state. There was no sugarcane damage reported as a result of the cold weather.

**Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle and pasture and ranges remained in mostly fair to good condition throughout the state. Cold, cloudy, and wet conditions, along with seasonal declines led to lower pasture condition ratings.

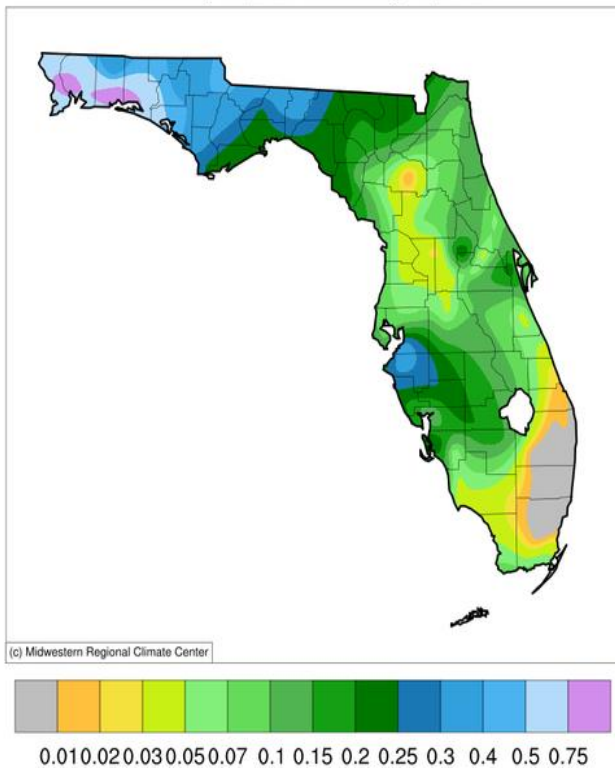
### Soil Moisture for Week Ending 01/10/21

| Topsoil          | Previous week | This week |
|------------------|---------------|-----------|
|                  | (percent)     | (percent) |
| Very short ..... | 1             | 2         |
| Short.....       | 18            | 26        |
| Adequate.....    | 73            | 65        |
| Surplus.....     | 8             | 7         |

### Condition for Week Ending 01/10/21

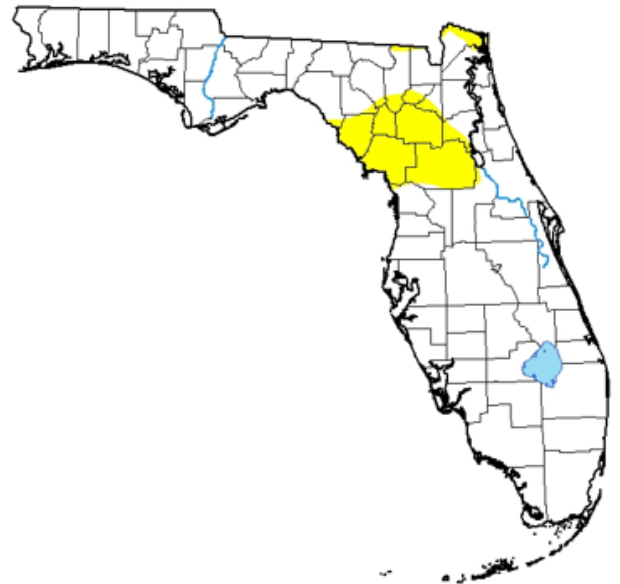
| Crop                  | Very poor | Poor      | Fair      | Good      | Excellent |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                       | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Cattle .....          | 1         | 3         | 35        | 53        | 8         |
| Pasture & range ..... | 3         | 18        | 41        | 34        | 4         |

**Accumulated Precipitation (in)**  
January 04, 2021 to January 10, 2021



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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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