

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 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 20, 2021. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain in some locations to 7.0 inches in Valrico (Hillsborough County). The average mean temperature ranged from 78.9°F in Tarpon Springs (Pinellas County) to 84.2°F at John Pennekamp State Park (Monroe County).

Citrus

High temperatures ranged from the mid-80s to the low-90s throughout the citrus growing region. The hottest readings were recorded at the Clermont station (Lake County) with 92 degrees, followed by the Vero Beach station (Indian River County) with 91 degrees. Moderate amounts of rain fell across the citrus growing region, though some locations reported several inches of precipitation. The most rainfall was recorded in Ruskin (Hillsborough County) at 3.93 inches. According to the June 17, 2021, U.S. Drought Monitor, several counties in all citrus growing areas excluding the western area experienced abnormally dry conditions. Additionally, portions of Collier, Hendry and Martin counties showed moderate drought.

This season's citrus harvest was complete. Utilization for the remainder of the year will be from cold storage or fresh squeeze fruit. Next season's crop progressed as normal, with oranges about golf ball size and grapefruit approximately baseball size.

Grove operations included spraying, mowing, applying herbicide, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance. Ditches and canals remained low due to deficit rainfall. Reservoirs continued to be utilized to refill ditches for irrigation. Irrigation was being run on several days in all areas.

Crops

A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed last week. Rain continued to increase soil moisture with producers noting the slow start to the rainy season. Cotton and peanut planting were nearly completed in the state, but with slow development. Cotton squaring and peanuts pegging remained behind previous year's average though their condition continued to improve. Sugarcane growers irrigated and fertilized their crop in the southern part of the peninsula.

Livestock and Pastures

Rain continued to improve pasture quality. Cattle conditions increased to mostly good condition throughout the state.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/20/21

Topsoil	Previous week	This week		
	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	8 32 60 0	2 19 77 2		

Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/20/21

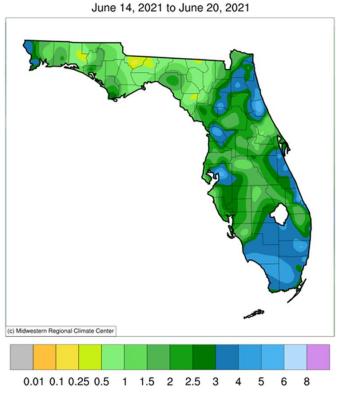
Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg		
(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
94	93	98	96		
24	3	7	21		
0	NA	0	0		
100	98	99	99		
29	6	16	24		
	(percent) 94 24 0 100	(percent) (percent) 94 93 24 3 0 NA 100 98	(percent) (percent) (percent) 94 93 98 24 3 7 0 NA 0 100 98 99		

(NA) Not available.

Condition for Week Ending 06/20/21

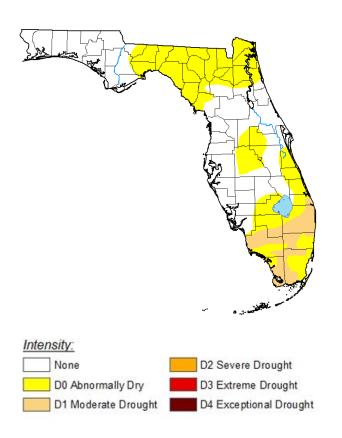
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cattle Cotton Pasture & range Peanuts	1 1 2 2	5 1 8 3	27 53 31 30	47 45 46 65	20 0 10 0		

Accumulated Precipitation (in)



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U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



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