



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 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 4, 2021. Precipitation for the state ranged from 0.4 at the Key West Airport (Monroe County) to 7.2 inches in Sebring (Highlands County). The average mean temperature ranged from 76.3°F in Glen St. Maty (Baker County) to 83.2°F in Cape (Miami-Dade County).

Citrus

High temperatures were moderated this week due to widespread rainfall throughout the citrus growing region, with readings ranging from the mid- to high-80s. The hottest readings were recorded at the Vero Beach station (Indian River County) with 89 degrees, followed by the Central Florida station (Lake County) with 88 degrees. Moderate amounts of rain again fell across the citrus growing region, though some locations reported high amounts of precipitation, with several inches of rainfall being observed in some places. The most rainfall was recorded in Sebring (Highlands County) at 7.24 inches, followed by Clermont (Lake County) at 4.19 inches. According to the July 1, 2021, U.S. Drought Monitor, portions of some counties in the Western, Central, and Southern citrus growing areas experienced abnormally dry conditions.

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, hedging, topping, applying herbicide, fertilizing, and general grove maintenance. Ditches and canals remained low in some areas due to deficit rainfall. Reservoirs continued to be utilized to refill ditches for irrigation. Irrigation was being run intermittently in areas that have received lesser amounts of rainfall.

Crops

A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed last week. Rain continued to increase soil moisture and flooding was reported in several areas. Some crops were stressed by the constant wet conditions. Producers were concerned about how Hurricane Elsa would impact crops in already saturated fields. Development of cotton remained behind the average as a result of dry conditions early in the growing season. Peanut development progressed well. Heavy rain decreased peanut and cotton conditions. Persistent rainfall continued to interrupt hay cutting and hinder fertilizer and pesticide applications in some parts of the state.

Livestock and Pastures

Rain continued to improve pasture quality. Cattle remained in mostly good condition throughout the state.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/04/21

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	0
Short.....	10	9
Adequate.....	73	69
Surplus.....	16	22

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/04/21

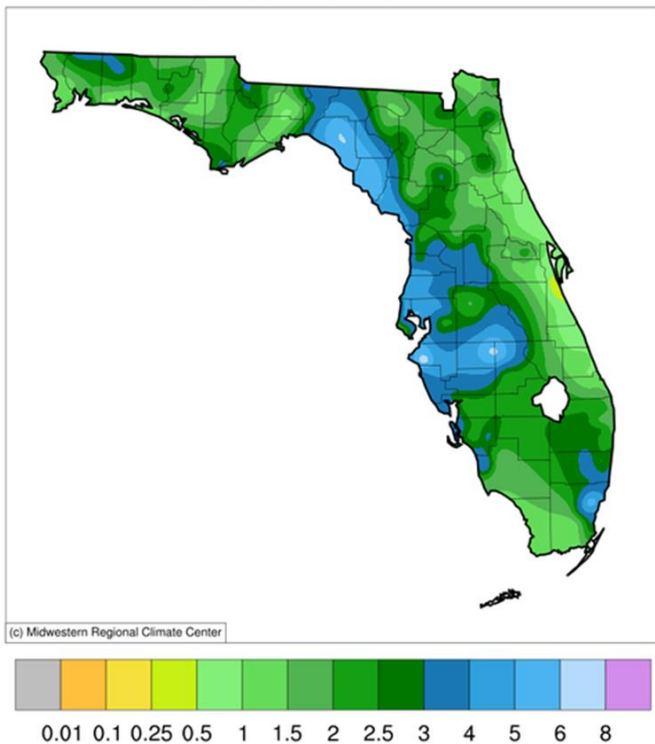
Crop	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Squaring.....	48	14	34	48
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	10	1	8	6
Peanuts - Pegging.....	58	31	53	56

Condition for Week Ending 07/04/21

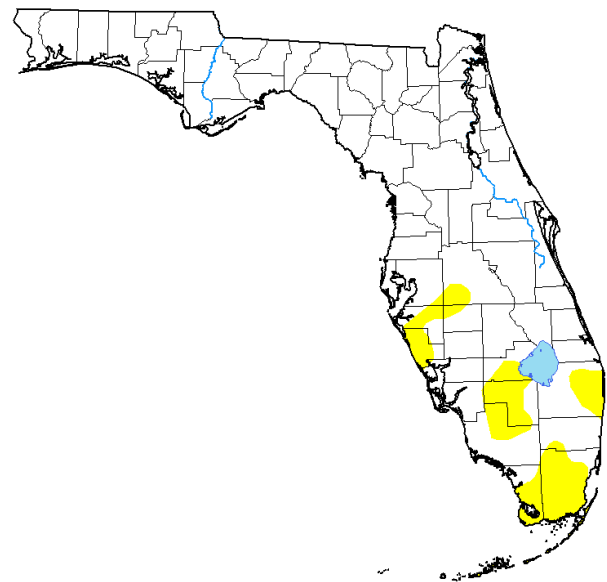
Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle.....	1	8	30	53	8
Cotton.....	4	6	51	38	1
Pasture & range.....	1	4	30	60	5
Peanuts.....	2	4	42	51	1

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
June 28, 2021 to July 04, 2021



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Intensity:

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

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