

United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service

Florida Crop Progress and Condition Report



Cooperating with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the UF/IFAS Extension Service Southern Region, Florida Field Office · 851 Trafalgar Court Suite 310 E · Maitland, FL 32751 · (407) 648-6013 · (855) 271-9801 FAX www.nass.usda.gov

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.

September 13, 2021 Media Contact: Mark Hudson

General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, September 12, 2021. Precipitation for the state ranged from little rain to 4.51 inches in Perrine (Miami-Dade County). The average mean temperature ranged from 76.8°F in Jasper (Hamilton County) to 85.5°F in Bahia State Park (Monroe County).

Citrus

The summer heat moderated a bit in the citrus growing region this week, with reports of high temperatures ranging from the high-80's to the low-90's. The hottest readings were recorded at the Clermont (Lake County), Vero Beach (Indian River County), and Sebring (Highlands County) stations, all reporting 92 degrees. Precipitation totals continued at a seasonable level across the citrus growing region, with most stations reporting one to two inches of rain. The most rain fell in Bartow (Polk County) with 1.88 inches, followed by Mount Plymouth (Lake County) with 1.83 inches. According to the September 9, 2021, U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus growing region remained drought free.

Next season's crop progressed as normal, with oranges tennis ball to baseball size and grapefruit softball size or larger.

Grove operations included spraying pesticides and nutritional formulas, mowing, applying herbicide and fungicide, fertilizing, removal of dead trees, replanting new trees, and general grove maintenance. Irrigation was being run in several areas.

Crops

A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted and marketed last week. Heavy rains limited hay cutting and other field work. Cotton remained in mostly good condition and continued to develop slowly. Peanuts dug and harvested slowed because of the wet conditions but are not significantly behind historic levels.

Livestock and Pastures

Pastures remained in mostly good and excellent condition. Cattle remained in mostly good condition.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 09/12/21

Topsoil	Previous week	This week		
	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short Short	0 2 72	0 4 70		
AdequateSurplus		26		

Crop Progress for Week Ending 09/12/21

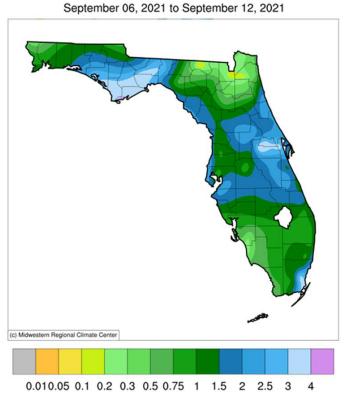
Crop	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton – Bolls Opening	33	19	24	42
Peanuts - Dug	26	13	21	22
Peanuts – Harvested	19	10	13	14

Condition for Week Ending 09/12/21

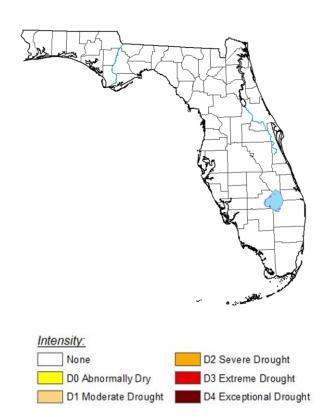
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
Cattle Cotton Pasture & range Peanuts	1 1 1 2	2 2 3 2	12 31 13 22	63 66 55 74	22 0 28 0			

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

Accumulated Precipitation (in)



mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE



Sep 7, 2021 (Released Thursday, Sep 9, 2021) https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/