



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 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 14, 2021. Precipitation for the state ranged from little rain to 4.3 inches in Cocoa (Brevard County). The average mean temperature ranged from 56.8°F in Niceville (Okaloosa County) to 74.9°F at the Bahai Honda State Park (Monroe County).

Citrus

Maximum high temperatures continued to be seasonable across the citrus growing region this week, with observations in the mid-70's to the low-80's. The hottest readings were reported in Vero Beach (Indian River County), which hit 81 degrees, followed by Sebring (Highlands County), hitting 80 degrees. The citrus growing region received little rainfall during the reporting period as a weak cold front moved across the peninsula, resulting in most stations collecting an inch or less of precipitation. The most rain fell in Vero Beach (Indian River County), with 2.06 inches. According to the November 11, 2021, U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus growing region was drought free.

The citrus crop progressed as normal, with oranges tennis ball to baseball size and grapefruit larger than softball size. Field reports indicated color break in grapefruit groves as well as in early orange and early tangerine groves.

Growers harvested for the fresh market, with varieties including Hamlin and Navel oranges, along with Early Pride, Fallglo and Tango tangerines, and red grapefruit. Two processing plants were open and taking eliminations, while 13 packinghouses were shipping fruit.

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

Crops

Dry weather persisted through the week allowing harvest activities to catch up to the previous year. Cotton harvest is in full swing with most of the crop in fair condition. Nearly all peanuts were harvested with variable yields being reported. Peanut yields in well drained areas were good while lower lying fields were reported to be poor. A variety of fruits and vegetables were planted, harvested and marketed last week. Sugarcane continued to be harvested.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle remained in mostly good and excellent condition while pastures were in mostly fair to good condition. Cooler temperatures provided ideal conditions to plant winter grazing where adequate moisture allowed.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 11/14/21

| Topsoil | Previous week | This week |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) |
| Very short..... | 0 | 1 |
| Short..... | 12 | 10 |
| Adequate..... | 69 | 72 |
| Surplus..... | 19 | 17 |

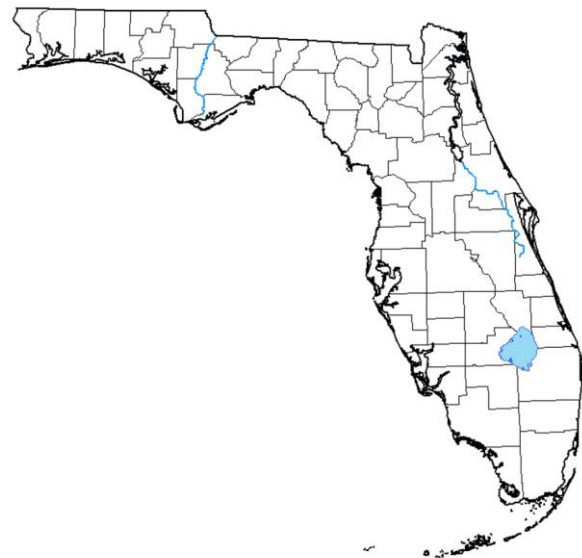
Crop Progress for Week Ending 11/14/21

| Crop | Prev year | Prev week | This week | 5 Year avg |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Cotton – Harvested..... | 34 | 29 | 40 | 47 |
| Peanuts – Harvested..... | 97 | 93 | 96 | 98 |

Conditions for Week Ending 11/14/21

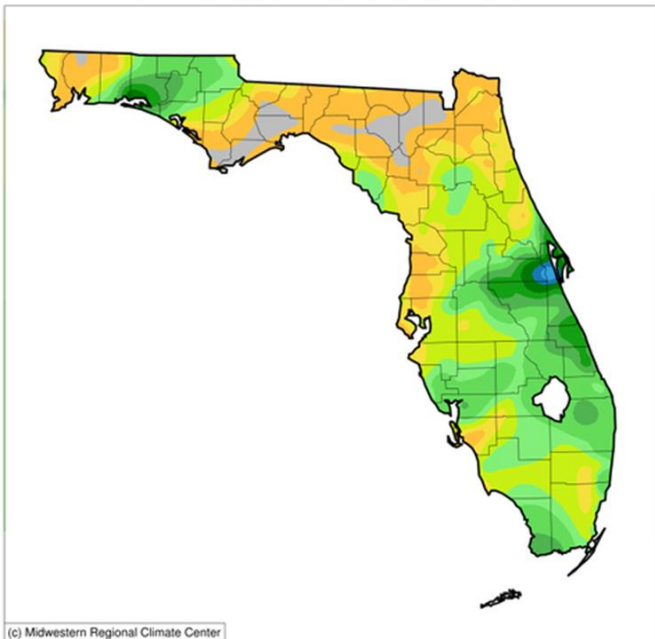
| Crop | Very poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Cattle | 1 | 2 | 20 | 61 | 16 |
| Cotton..... | 2 | 16 | 53 | 29 | 0 |
| Pasture & range | 2 | 5 | 36 | 49 | 8 |

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



Accumulated Precipitation (in)

November 08, 2021 to November 14, 2021



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Intensity:



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