



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 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 29, 2022. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain in some locations to 7.8 inches at Pensacola Regional Airport (Escambia County). The average mean temperature ranged from 74.0°F at Forrest Sherman Field (Escambia County) to 87.7°F at Key West International Airport (Monroe County).

Citrus

Temperatures climbed again throughout the citrus growing region this week, with highs in the high 80s to low 90s. The hottest readings were recorded at the Clermont (Lake County), Sebring (Highlands County), and Winter Haven (Polk County) stations, all hitting 93 degrees. The citrus belt received light to moderate rainfall associated with a large area of tropical moisture which overspread the state during the reporting period. The most rain fell in Mount Plymouth (Lake County) with 2.7 inches, followed by Clermont (Lake County) with 2.5 inches, and Winter Haven (Polk County) with 1.7 inches. Deficit rainfall over the last 90-day period remained constant in citrus producing counties. According to the May 19, 2022, U.S. Drought Monitor, dryness and drought continued to impact south Florida. Severe drought persisted in one small pocket of the southern portion of the citrus growing region, while a mixture of moderate drought and abnormal dryness remained across about half of the central area and large stretches of the southern, western, and Indian River areas.

Harvest of all varieties for fresh and processed use wound down as the season is coming to a close.

Grove operations included spraying pesticides and nutritionals, fertilizing, spraying herbicides, mowing, hedging, topping, removal of dead trees, replanting young trees, and general grove maintenance. Due to the lack of adequate rain over the past several weeks, irrigation was being run in all areas. The water level in canals and ditches remained low across the state.

Crops

Heavy rainfall helped dry conditions in the northern part of the state and the Panhandle. Dry conditions continued with limited rainfall in the middle and most of the southern parts of the state. The much-needed rainfall helped planting activities along with already planted crops in the Panhandle. With the favorable conditions, producers picked up planting peanuts and cotton after some had halted planting due to dry conditions. Cover crops were planted in the southern part of the state. A variety of fruits and vegetables were harvested throughout the state last week. Producers completed sugarcane harvest in the southern part of the state.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture and range remained in mostly fair and good condition. Pasture conditions in the northern part of the state improved after receiving much needed rainfall.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 05/29/22

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	7	2
Short.....	23	15
Adequate.....	64	70
Surplus.....	6	13

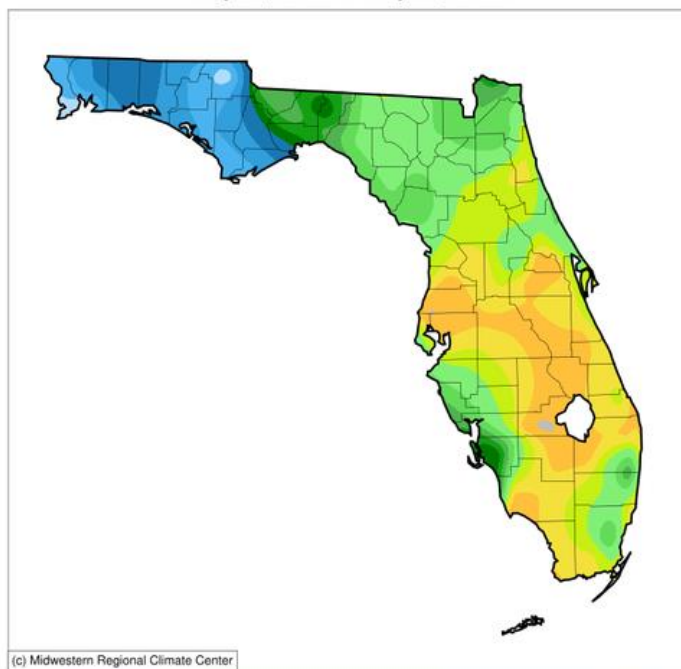
Crop Progress for Week Ending 05/29/22

Crop	Prev year (percent)	Prev week (percent)	This week (percent)	5 Year avg (percent)
Cotton - Planted.....	49	58	78	69
Peanuts - Planted.....	88	77	91	87

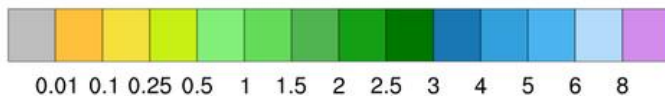
Conditions for Week Ending 05/29/22

Crop	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Cattle	1	4	23	60	12
Cotton.....	0	3	37	57	3
Pasture & range	6	13	28	36	17
Peanuts.....	0	2	21	76	1

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
May 23, 2022 to May 29, 2022

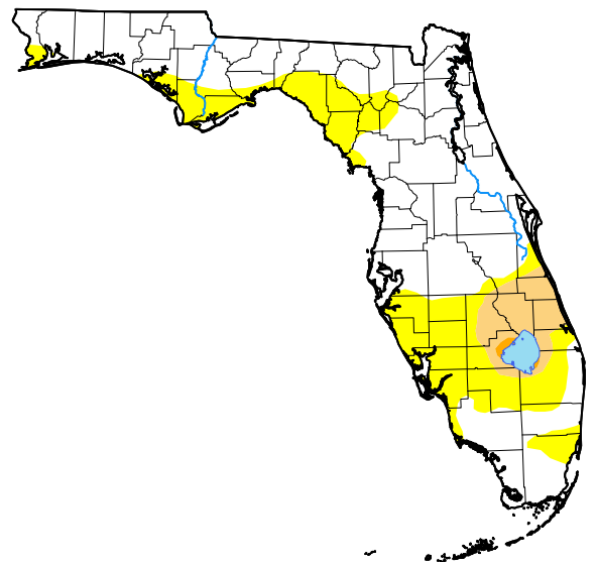


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U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



Intensity:



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