



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 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 18, 2023. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain to 11.3 inches at Pensacola Regional Airport (Bay County). The average mean temperature ranged from 78.4°F at Crestview Airport (Okaloosa County) to 86.6°F at Marathon Airport (Monroe County).

Citrus

Temperatures were seasonally warm in the citrus growing region last week, with average highs in low to mid 90's. The highest average maximum temperature was at the Central Florida station (Lake County) with 95 degrees. Several counties across the citrus producing area had average highs of 93 or 94 degrees. The citrus belt received moderate to heavy showers on two to three days during the reporting period, with the most rainfall in the central and northern areas. Mount Plymouth (Lake County) recorded 4.1 inches; Lakeland (Polk County) had 3.1 inches. In the southern area, the heaviest rainfall was in Muse (Glades County) at 1.6 inches for the week. According to the June 15, 2023, U.S. Drought Monitor, conditions improved somewhat, eliminating all severe drought, leaving moderate drought and abnormally dry conditions only along the west coast of the peninsula, and in the western portion citrus of the growing region. The remainder of the citrus growing region was drought free.

Grove operations included spraying pesticides and nutritionals, fertilizing, spraying herbicides, mowing, topping, hedging, removal of dead trees, replanting young trees, and general grove maintenance. Irrigation was being run as needed, while water levels in canals and ditches were low. Field personnel reported next year's fruit sizing well.

Crops

The northern half of the state received a significant amount of rain last week, with some areas receiving over 10 inches of rain. The southern half of the state received moderate amounts of precipitation. Due to the heavy rain, many operators were unable to conduct field work throughout much of the week. In areas where conditions allowed, operators nearly completed cotton and peanut planting. Cotton squaring and peanut pegging both started to pick up steam and make good progress. Crops that were harvested last week included mango, potatoes, and okra. Reporters noted that sugarcane harvest was completed, and rice planting is expected to begin in the next few weeks.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures were reported in mostly fair to good condition.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 6/18/23

Crop	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Planted.....	98	95	98	96
Cotton - Squaring.....	5	4	15	14
Peanuts - Planted.....	99	96	98	99
Peanuts - Pegging.....	17	3	18	17

Conditions for Week Ending 6/18/23

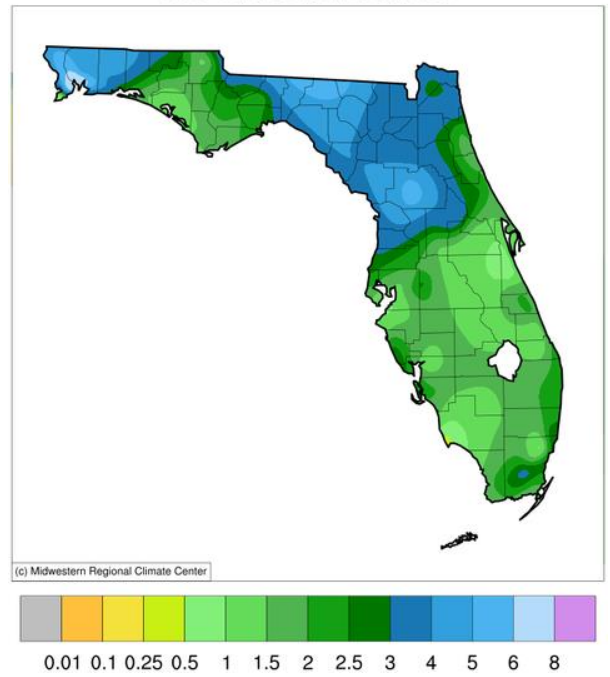
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	1	2	26	54	17
Cotton.....	0	0	32	60	8
Pasture & range....	2	7	29	38	24
Peanuts.....	2	3	22	69	4

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 6/18/23

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	9	2
Short.....	22	10
Adequate.....	58	70
Surplus.....	11	18

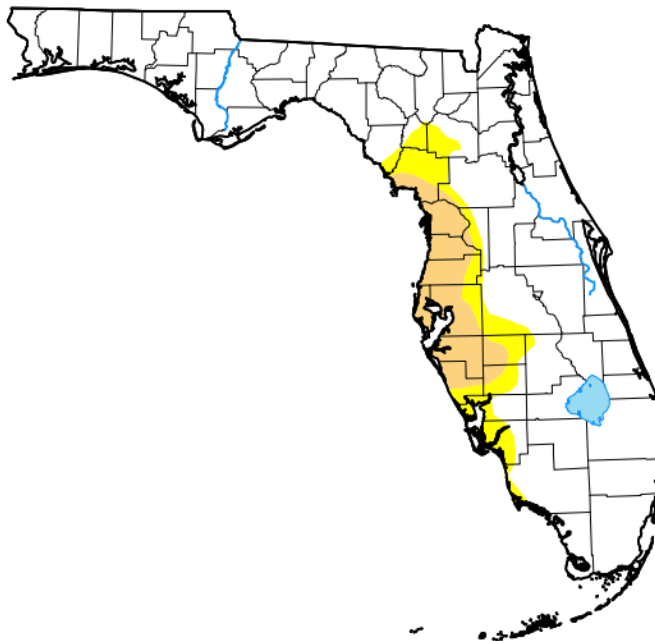
Accumulated Precipitation (in)

June 12, 2023 to June 18, 2023



<https://mrcc.purdue.edu/CLIMATE/>

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



June 13, 2023

(Released Thursday, Jun. 15, 2023)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	83.10	16.90	8.62	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-06-2023	82.10	17.90	8.62	1.69	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 03-14-2023	9.69	90.31	69.74	9.84	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2023	56.61	43.39	30.80	19.77	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2022	91.16	8.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 06-14-2022	89.13	10.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

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

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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