



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 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 4, 2023. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain to 5.2 inches in Fort Lauderdale (Broward County). The average mean temperature ranged from 72.9°F in Fernandina Beach (Nassau County) to 82.8°F at Marathon Airport (Monroe County).

Citrus

Temperatures were consistently in the mid to upper 80s across the citrus belt all week. Only a few stations reached 90 degrees. Rainfall was sporadic, with only one or two days of significant precipitation. Totals ranged from about two-tenths of an inch in several northern counties to 5.1 inches of rainfall in Clewiston (Hendry County). Of note, Lakeland (Polk County), in the central area, recorded 4.8 inches of rainfall for the week. According to the June 1, 2023, U.S. Drought Monitor, moderate to severe drought conditions subsided, and now cover only a portion of the western and northern areas of the citrus growing region. A fraction of the central area remains under moderate drought and abnormally dry conditions. The Indian River District is drought free.

Grove operations included spraying, fertilizing, mowing, hedging and topping. Nutrients are being injected through the drip lines and irrigation. Most owners are irrigating several times week. Heavy pushing and resetting of groves was observed in the southern area, and some pushing of older trees and resetting was also seen in the central area and Indian River District. Field personnel reported next year's fruit sizing well.

Crops

The southern half of the state received a significant amount of rain last week, while the northern half received very little precipitation. In areas where conditions allowed, operators made strong progress in cotton and peanut planting, with both crops nearing completion. Crops that were harvested last week included watermelon, tomatoes, melons, potatoes, avocados, and okra. In the Southern part of the state, reporters noted that rice planting neared completion while sugarcane harvest was delayed by heavy rains.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle were reportedly in mostly fair to good condition, as were the pastures they grazed on. Reporters noted that heavy rain in some areas helped improve pasture conditions.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 6/4/23

Crop	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Planted.....	89	76	88	79
Peanuts - Planted.....	94	81	91	93

Conditions for Week Ending 6/4/23

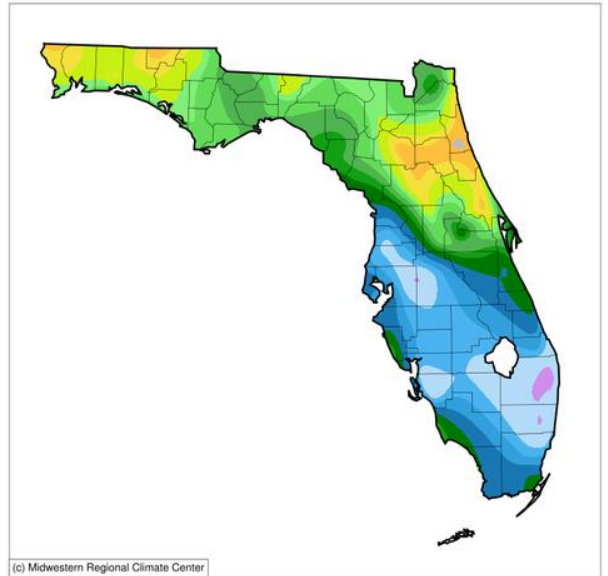
Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	1	5	26	55	13
Cotton.....	0	0	17	80	3
Pasture & range....	1	4	34	45	16
Peanuts.....	0	0	13	86	1

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 6/4/23

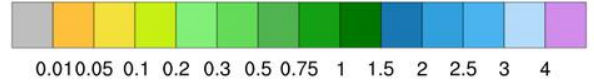
Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....		3
Short.....		19
Adequate.....		64
Surplus.....		14

Accumulated Precipitation (in)

May 29, 2023 to June 04, 2023



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U.S. Drought Monitor Florida

May 30, 2023

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	73.96	26.04	14.03	8.01	0.00	0.00
Last Week 05-23-2023	51.84	48.16	25.57	15.19	8.47	0.00
3 Months Ago 02-28-2023	12.04	87.96	64.54	0.00	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 05-31-2022	82.82	17.18	5.55	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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