

United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Florida Crop Progress and Condition Report



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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 4, 2017. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in Key West (Monroe County) to 6.45 inches in Orlando (Orange County). The average mean temperatures ranged from 85.0°F in Key West (Monroe County) to 77.4°F in Milton (Santa Rosa County). Rainfall this week has proven beneficial to crops and pastures. Still more moisture is needed to relieve drought conditions throughout most of the state.

Citrus

Daily temperatures in the citrus region were mostly average or higher. All stations had at least three days in the 90s. The highest recorded temperature was 100°F in Lake County. Rainfall was widespread but highly variable, with all monitored stations receiving some amount of precipitation. Muce (Glades County) reported the most rainfall with 3.92 inches. According to the May 30, 2017, U.S. Drought Monitor, the short term rainfall has not had a large impact on the drought conditions. The complete central production area and portions of each of its surrounding counties are still in an extreme drought. The remainder of the citrus region is between moderate and severe drought.

Valencia orange harvest is about over for the season. Only one or two processing plants remain open. Most fresh fruit houses have closed for the season.

Ditches and canals are still dry in most areas. Irrigation has been cut back some due to the rainfall on several days, but growers continue to keep water in the ground and on the trees. Some owners are replanting in existing groves, others are pushing old blocks and planting new varieties on existing land. Other grove activity included herbiciding, fertilizing, brush removal, and general grove maintenance.

Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested

[In thousands of 1-3/5 bushel boxes]

Crop	F	Previous Year		
Сюр	May 21, 2017	May 28, 2017	Jun 4, 2017	Jun 5, 2016
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Early and Mid-				
oranges	0	0	*	*
Valencia oranges	1,954	1,450	*	*
Navel oranges	0	0	*	*
White grapefruit	1	0	*	*
Red grapefruit	9	0	*	*
Tangelos	0	0	*	*
Temples	0	0	*	*
Sunburst tangerines	0	0	*	*
Honey tangerines	10	0	*	*
Total	1,974	1,450	*	*

* Information unavailable at time of publication.

http://www.citrusadministrativecommittee.org/bulletins/reports.html

Fruits and Vegetables

Melon harvest is underway in Gilchrist County. Southern pea planting activities were reported in Bradford County, where cucumber, okra, squash, and strawberry harvesting is ongoing. Although a variety of crops continue coming to market, vegetable season continues winding down.

Livestock and Pastures

Pastures are beginning to improve and show growth in multiple locations due to the recent rainfall events. Cattle remain in mostly fair condition.

Field Crops

Peanut and soybean planting in Jackson County is progressing well, along with small grains harvesting. Potato harvest is ongoing in Flagler, Putnam, and Suwannee Counties.

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 06/04/17

Topsoil	This week	Previous week	5 year avg	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short Short Adequate Surplus	8 27 51 14	28 44 27 1	3 27 64 6	

Accumulated Precipitation (in)

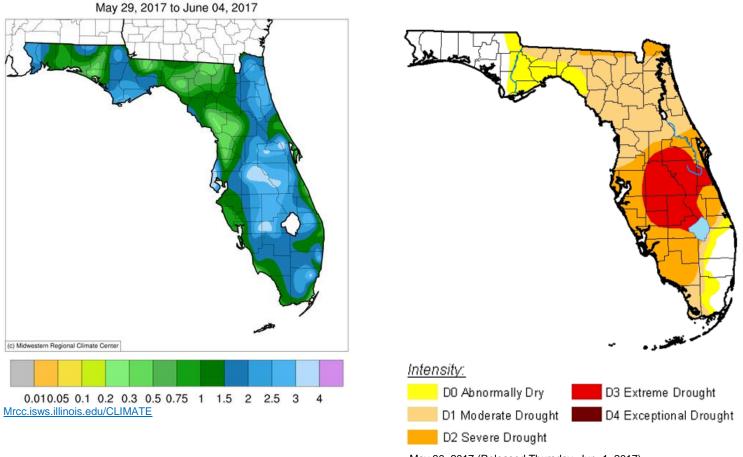
Crop Progress for Week Ending 06/04/17

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This week	Prev week	Prev year	5 Year avg		
(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
83	77	NA	NA		
6	0	NA	NA		
93	84	92	87		
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Condition for week ending 06/04/17

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	3	23	44	27	3
Cotton	1	1	39	48	11
Pasture & range	7	35	34	23	1
Peanuts	0	0	50	36	14

U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



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