

### **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 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, January 26, 2020. Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in multiple locations to 3.10 inches in Pompano Beach Highlands (Broward County). The average mean temperature ranged from 43.9°F in Crestview (Okaloosa County) to 66.9°F in Key West (Monroe County).

#### **Citrus**

Maximum temperatures in the citrus growing region ranged from the mid 70's to the mid 80's. The highest maximum reading was in Palm Dale (Glades County), at 85°F. The greatest rainfall was in Vero Beach (Indian River County), at 1.16 inches. According to the January 23, 2020, U.S. Drought Monitor, in the southern area, parts of Hendry and Collier counties were showing abnormally dry conditions. The remaining portion of the citrus growing region was drought free.

Packinghouses are packing midseason tangerines. Minneola tangelos and Honey tangerines (Murcotts). Processing plants are taking field run fruit and packinghouse eliminations. Non-Valencia harvest is in full swing. For the second week in a row, weekly early and midseason orange harvest surpassed three million boxes for this season.

Grove operations included spot picking grapefruit followed by minimal spraying. Irrigation was run several times a week in most areas. Field staff reported seeing a little bit of early bloom.

#### **Citrus Estimated Boxes Harvested**

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

Crop	F	Previous Year		
	Jan 5, 2020	Jan 12, Jan 20, 2020 2020		Jan 20, 2019
	(Final) (Preliminary) (Pre		(Preliminary)	(Actual)
	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)	(boxes)
Early and Mid-				
oranges	2,834	3,089	3,200	2,822
Navel oranges	44	60	55	32
Red grapefruit	102	171	186	171
White grapefruit	16	38	36	46
Tangerines and				
Tangelos	36	66	64	67
Total	3,032	3,424	3,541	3,138

Source: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service Fruit and Vegetable Division

#### Fruits and Vegetables

Strawberry harvesting began in Bradford County. Multiple vegetable varieties were being planted and harvested in the southern part of the state. Some of the vegetable crop sustained wind damage from last week's cold front; however, frost damage was prevented.

#### **Livestock and Pastures**

Cattle were looking good throughout the state, despite some pastures being in poor condition.

#### **Field Crops**

Sugarcane harvest continued.

#### **Soil Moisture for Week Ending 01/26/20**

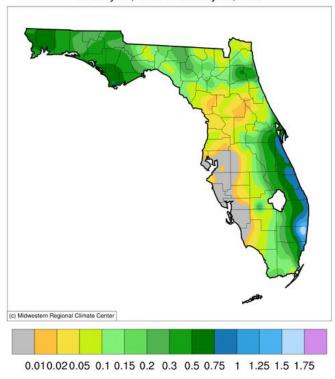
Topsoil	This week	Previous week	
	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short Short Adequate Surplus	21	4 18 75 3	

#### Condition for Week Ending 01/26/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle Pasture & range	3 1	2 18	20 31	49 33	26 17

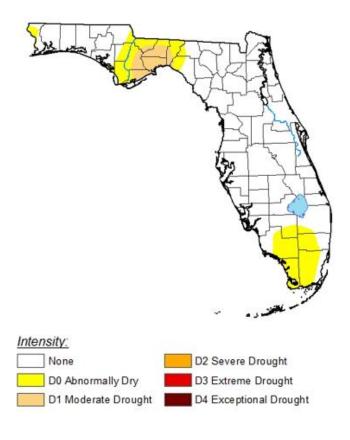
#### Accumulated Precipitation (in)

January 20, 2020 to January 26, 2020



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## U.S. Drought Monitor Florida



January 21, 2020 (Released Thursday, Jan. 23, 2020) https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/