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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.

July 8, 2024

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Florida, there were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 7, 2024. Precipitation for the state ranged from no rain in a few locations to 7.1 inches in Homosassa (Citrus County). The average mean temperature ranged from 80.2°F at Palm Coast (Flagler County) to 89.0°F at Key West Naval Air Station (Monroe County).

Citrus

The Florida Citrus reports are unavailable this week. Reports will continue with the July 15th publication.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/08/24

Crop	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton - Squaring	55	36	45	51
Cotton - Setting Bolls	11	1	12	13
Peanuts - Pegging	63	49	62	64

Conditions for Week Ending 07/08/24

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	0	2	24	58	16
Cotton	0	7	49	43	1
Pasture and range	0	7	29	40	24
Peanuts	0	2	43	54	1

Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/08/24

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very Short	4	2
Short	13	12
Adequate	74	74
Surplus	9	12

Crops

Much of the state experienced wet and hot conditions throughout the week. Scattered thunderstorms and rain showers alleviated some dry conditions particularly in the Panhandle and western part of the peninsula. Producers in the Panhandle noted that the rain events slowed field activities, but greatly benefited the condition of row crops like peanuts, cotton, and corn. Nearly half of the cotton crop had squared, and some of the early planted crop began to set bolls. Most of the corn for grain and silage was near maturity, but producers noted dry land corn suffered from the recent short-term drought. In Jackson County, spring vegetable and melon harvest wrapped up. In Okaloosa and Walton Counties, about half of the hay producers had completed their second cutting. In Palm Beach County, rice harvest continued while sugarcane was in the grand growth phase. Other crops planted and harvested included long beans, bitter melon, other ethnic vegetables, and tropical fruit.

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pastures were in mostly good to fair condition. Rainfall helped improve the condition of dry pastures.

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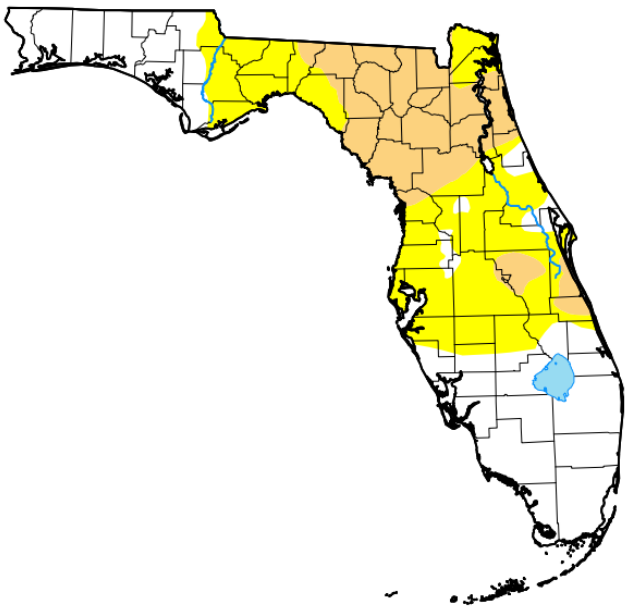
U.S. Drought Monitor
Florida



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	42.27	57.73	22.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week *06-25-2024*	34.04	65.96	25.13	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago *04-02-2024*	98.61	1.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-02-2024*	86.25	13.75	3.86	2.55	1.27	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-26-2023*	69.09	30.91	17.59	9.00	0.81	0.00
One Year Ago *07-04-2023*	87.98	12.02	4.37	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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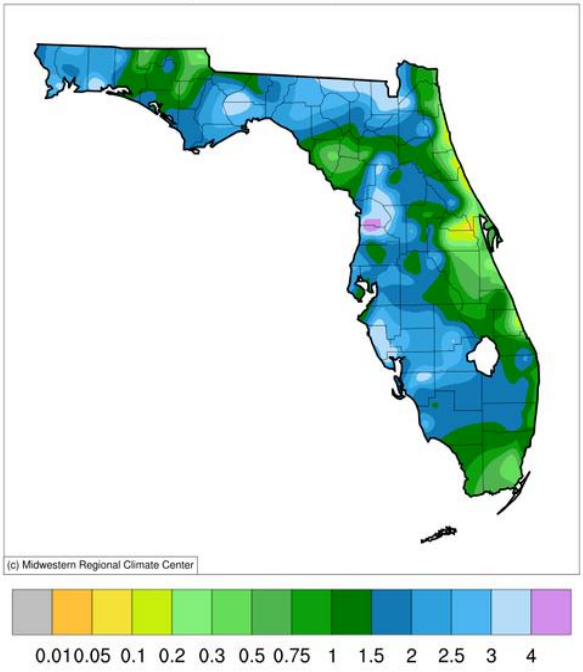
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 01, 2024 to July 07, 2024



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