

Extension Agricultural Weather Report

September 07, 2020 - September 14, 2020

STATEWIDE CROP SUMMARY

(Data provided by the National Agricultural Statistics Service Crop Progress and Condition Report)

General

There were 5.6 days suitable for field work. Precipitation estimates ranged from trace amounts in multiple locations to 12.6 inches in Bahia Honda State Park (Monroe County). The average temperature ranged from 78.8°F in Naples (Collier County) to 84.1°F in Sanford (Seminole County).

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle and pasture condition remained mostly good throughout the state. Wet conditions caused nuisance mosquito activity.

Fruits and Vegetables

A variety of fruits and vegetables continued being planted and marketed. Vegetable growers in the southern peninsula continued field preparations for fall planting. Some growers laid plastic for winter crops, but were delayed due to wet conditions.

Field Crops

Rainfall continued causing local flooding in parts of the panhandle and affecting peanut harvest. Some peanut producers reported white mold and rust. Hay cutting and baling continued in the panhandle and northern peninsula, but were slowed by tropical storm rains. Sugarcane planting was slowed, with more expected before harvest begins in the next few weeks.

Citrus

Maximum temperatures were in the high 80s to low 90s across the region. The citrus growing region received widespread moderate to heavy rainfall, with St. Cloud (Osceola County) receiving 7.0 inches, Bartow (Polk County) receiving 4.6 inches, and Lorida (Highlands County) receiving 4.0 inches.

According to the September 10, 2020 U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus growing region was drought free.

Next season's early oranges were approximately baseball sized, Valencia oranges were approximately tennis ball to baseball sized, and grapefruit were approximately softball in size and larger.

Grove activities included mowing, spraying, herbicide, copper, and pesticide application, fertilizing, removal of dead trees, and general grove maintenance. Field workers reported low water levels in Indian River area ditches.

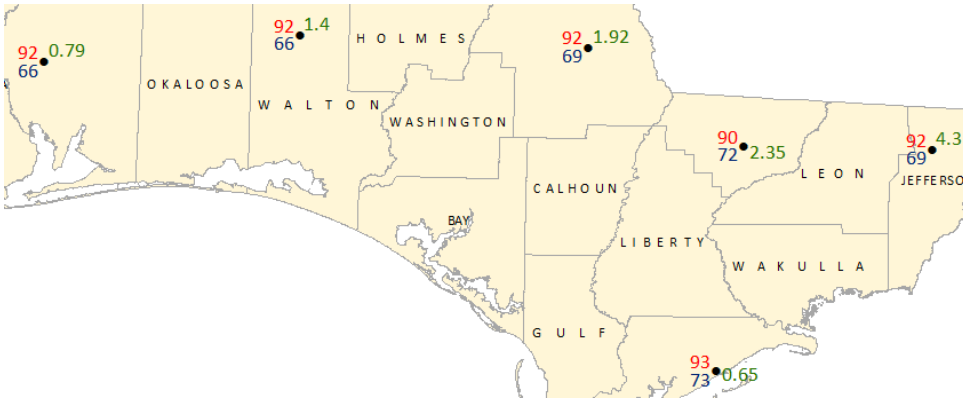
Soil Moisture Summary

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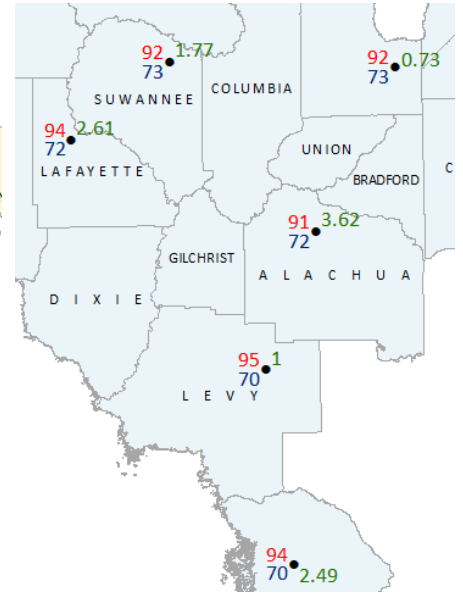
TOPSOIL	THIS WEEK (%)	PREVIOUS WEEK (%)
Very Short	0	1
Short	10	3
Adequate	75	68
Surplus	15	28

Weekly Temperature & Rainfall Data from FAWN Stations by District

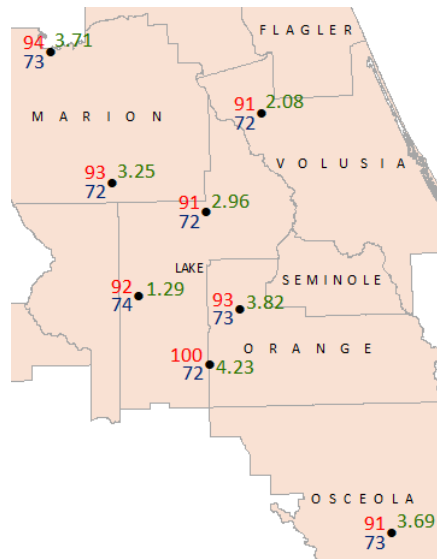
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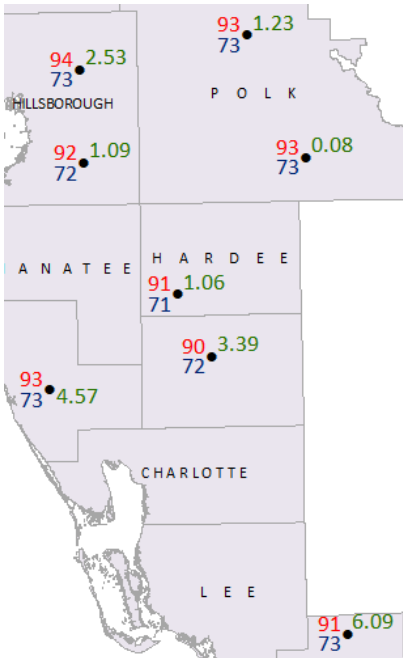
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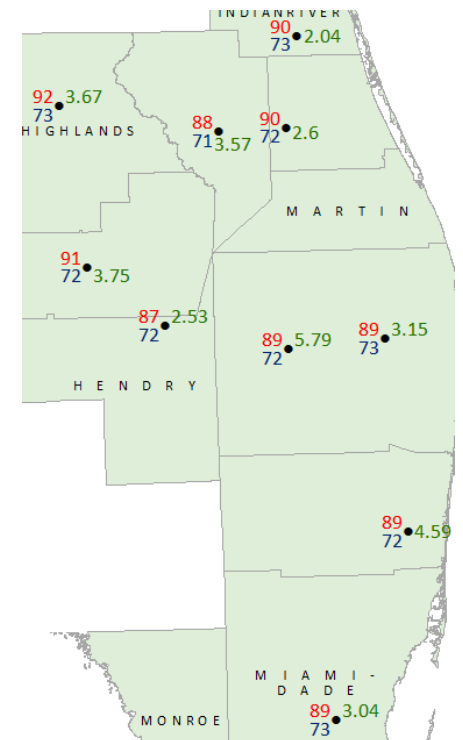
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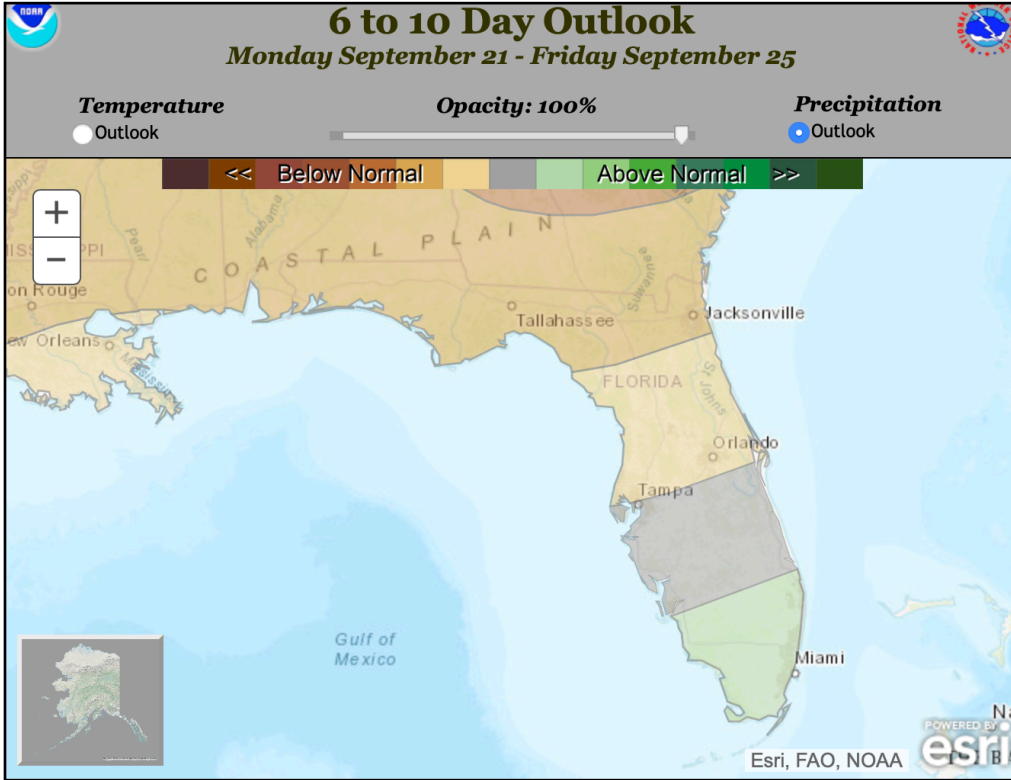
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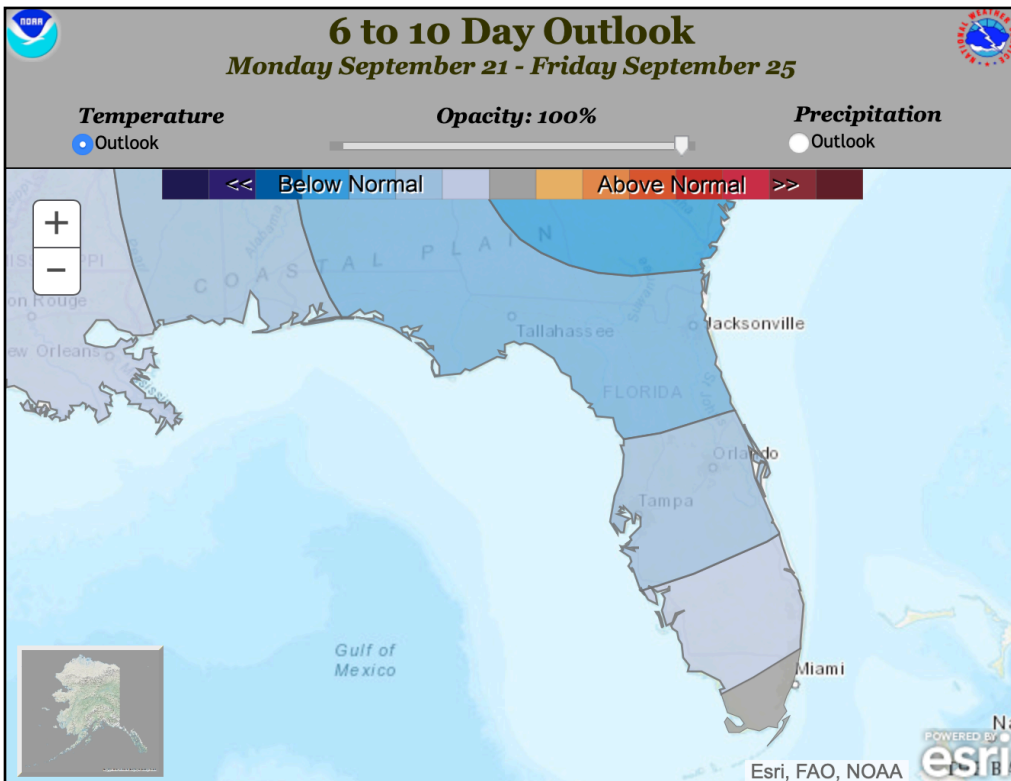
● 7-day rainfall (inches) ● 7-day Maximum Temperature (°F) ● 7-day Minimum Temperature (°F)



NWS 6-10 DAY OUTLOOK



NWS 6-10 day Rainfall Outlook



NWS 6-10 day Temperature Outlook

