

Extension Agricultural Weather Report

October 03, 2022 - October 10, 2022

STATEWIDE CROP SUMMARY

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

General

There were 6.2 days suitable for field work.

Precipitation estimates ranged from no rain in some locations to 2.7 inches in Hollywood (Broward County). The average temperature ranged from 67.3°F in Cross City (Dixie County) to 86.4°F in Key West (Monroe County).

Livestock and Pastures

Cattle, pasture, and range condition remained mostly fair to good.

Flooded pastures in the southern part of the state forced producers to relocate or sell cattle.

Dry conditions in the northern part of the state limited pasture growth.

Crops

Hurricane impact assessment continues, with some areas receiving over 20 inches of rainfall and sustaining flooding, and crop, livestock, and structural damage.

Mostly dry conditions in the northern part of the state allowed producers to continue to dig and harvest peanuts.

Cotton bolls were mostly open across the state and harvest was picking up.

Some already planted vegetable, strawberry, tomato, and watermelon fields suffered hurricane damage and loss, so many producers delayed additional planting.

Sugarcane harvest kicked off after some delay.

Citrus

Maximum temperatures across the citrus growing region were in the mid 80s, with Clermont (Lake County) reaching 86°F, followed by Sebring (Highlands County) at 85°F.

Clermont (Lake County) received the most rainfall at 0.3

inches.

According to the October 6th, 2022 U.S. Drought Monitor, the entire citrus growing region was drought free.

Field assessments showed varying levels of hurricane damage to groves across the region, with reports of leaf loss, downed limbs, and split and leaning trees. Some crews tried to reposition uprooted and leaning trees.

Grove flooding limited field access in many locations.

Washed out bridges and downed power lines were reported.

Next season's crop was progressing well, with oranges about tennis ball to baseball size, and grapefruit larger than softball size.

Grove activities included pesticide, herbicide, nutritional, and fertilizer application; limited mowing; dead tree removal; young tree replanting; canal dredging; and general grove maintenance.

Field personnel continued to observe color break on most early oranges, and some beginning on mid season varieties.

Irrigation was run in all areas as needed.

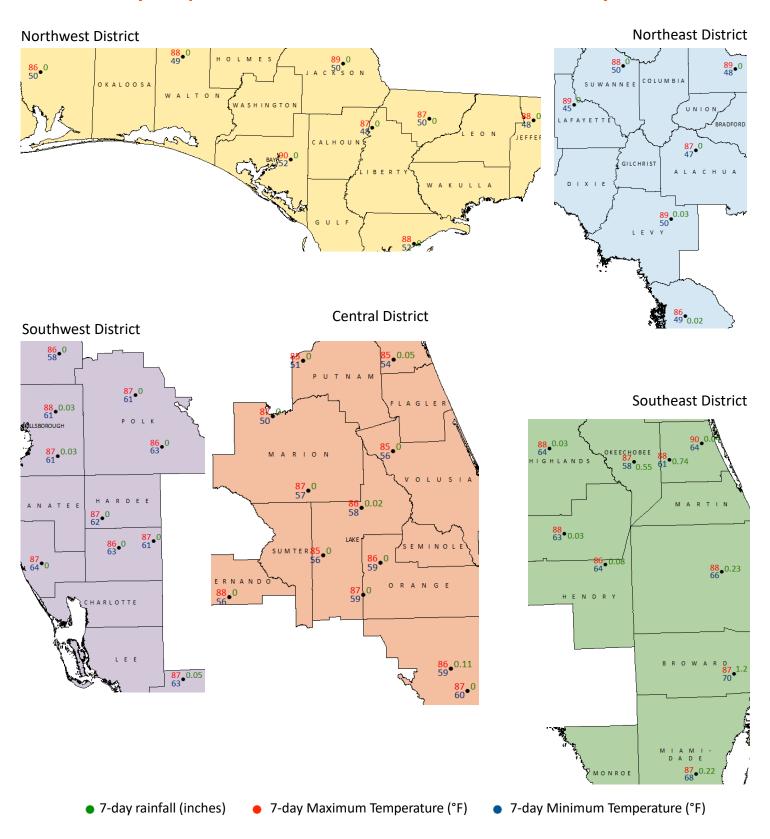
Soil Moisture Summary

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TOPSOIL	THIS WEEK (%)	PREVIOUS WEEK (%)
Very Short	10	17
Short	14	10
Adequate	30	42
Surplus	46	31

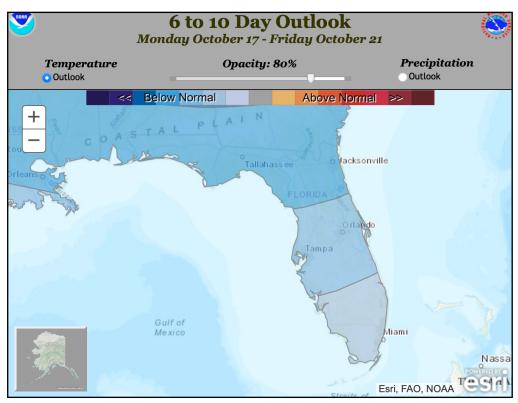


Weekly Temperature & Rainfall Data from FAWN Stations by District

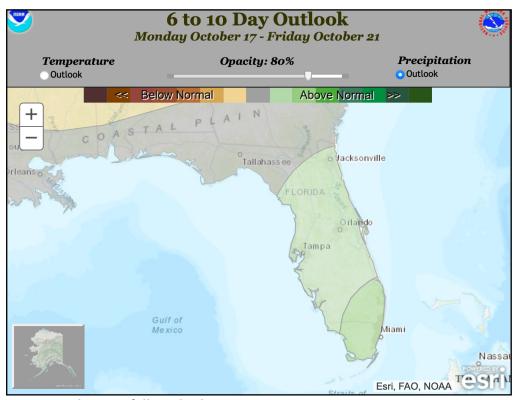




NWS 6-10 DAY OUTLOOKS



NWS 6-10 day Temperature Outlook



NWS 6-10 day Rainfall Outlook

