

February 5, 2025

**South Carolina:** January temperatures were 3.3 to 7.0 degrees cooler than historic averages depending on location. Total rainfall during the month ranged from 0.4 inches in Horry County to 4.8 inches in Darlington County. Most of the state received snow during the month, with Horry County having the most at 6.0 inches. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 56 percent of the state had abnormally dry conditions and 28 percent had moderate drought conditions by month's end, compared to 58 percent abnormally dry and 17 percent with moderate drought at the month's beginning. The state experienced unseasonably cold temperatures and snow during the month. Some damage was noted in the Lowcountry due to the snow and ice. These weather conditions also slowed the growth of small grains and winter grazing. Livestock were noted to be in good condition; however, producers were having to feed more hay. Producers began preparing fields by applying lime and pre-plant fertilizers.