



Crop Progress and Condition

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Agricultural News: Farming activities for the month of December included feeding hay, observing livestock for illness, and harvesting late season soybeans. Weather conditions have been a mix of both warmer and colder temperatures with some rain. The average high temperatures during the month of December were mostly in the upper 40s. The average low temperatures during the month of December were mostly in the 30s. Monthly precipitation amounts ranged between 2 to 4.5 inches. There are abnormally dry to severe drought conditions in the State.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 1/5/25

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	20	76	3
Subsoil	1	30	67	2
Hay & Roughage	2	26	67	5

CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 1/5/25

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Barley	1	4	53	39	3
Pasture	15	20	32	29	4
Winter Wheat	2	4	49	43	2
Livestock	1	5	44	42	8

Forage Percent Obtained from Pastures	This Month	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%
Feed Obtained from Pastures	20	17	-

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending January 5, 2025

City	Temperature				Precipitation				
	Avg. high	Avg. low	Avg. mean	Avg. dep. from normal *	Last Week	Since Dec. 1	Dec. 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1, 2024 to Dec. 31, 2024	Jan. 1, 2024 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	46.9	28.3	37.6	+1.2	0.42	4.66	+0.6	43.48	+0.72
Norfolk	53.0	35.3	44.1	+1.0	0.12	2.97	-0.8	49.48	+0.30
Richmond	50.7	28.9	39.8	+0.8	0.28	2.27	-1.8	47.64	+2.14
Roanoke	44.4	29.6	37.0	-1.5	0.46	3.37	-0.2	39.83	-2.99
Wash/Dulles	45.9	28.6	37.2	+2.5	0.41	3.39	-0.4	34.37	-8.87

*Normals value based on 1991-2020 normals data. Source: NOAA Southeast Regional Climate Center <https://www.sercc.com/>.
Drought information can be found at <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?VA>.