



WEATHER & CROPS



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CROP SUMMARY FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 16, 2003

Average rainfall and below average temperatures were characteristic for this week in Virginia. Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.8. There were several reports of high winds and heavy rains midweek damaging some corn and soybeans, as well as a few buildings. Pastures and livestock continue to do well as the cooler weather begins to set in. Small grain land preparations and seeding continued with some wheat and barley emerging. Barley seeding was very near completion. Peanut and corn harvesting activities were also very near completion. However, cotton and soybean harvesting activities continued in full swing. Other farming activities included stripping tobacco, baling hay, sampling soil, applying lime and fertilizer, putting equipment away for the winter, watching market prices, removing trees blown down from Hurricane Isabel, and getting ready for deer season.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE PERCENT

Week Ending	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
November 16	0	2	79	19
November 9	0	2	76	22
November 2	0	9	77	14
October 26	1	16	79	4
October 19	1	6	85	8

CROP CONDITION PERCENT

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pastures	1	4	23	55	17
Livestock	0	1	12	68	19
Other Hay	1	6	31	51	11
Alfalfa Hay	6	7	31	47	9

CROP PROGRESS PERCENT - WITH COMPARISONS

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Year Average
Corn for Grain Harvested	96	92	100	96
Soybeans Harvested	66	52	47	67
Winter Wheat Seeded	76	62	57	70
Barley Seeded	96	92	96	96
Peanuts Combined	97	92	91	98
Cotton Harvested	60	48	79	79

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 16, 2003

WEATHER STATION	TEMPERATURE (degrees Fahrenheit)				PRECIPITATION (inches)		
	HI	LO	Average	Departure From Normal	TOTAL	Departure From Normal	Days
Blacksburg	68	25	42	-3	0.26	-0.44	3
Bremo Bluff	67	19	46	-3	0.38	-0.40	2
Burkes Garden	62	23	41	-1	0.81	0.02	3
Camp Pickett	78	28	47	-3	0.09	-0.68	1
Chatham	76	26	44	-4	0.48	-0.29	2
Dale Enterprise	62	21	41	-5	1.21	0.57	2
Danville AG	80	32	48	-2	0.05	-0.70	2
Floyd	71	23	42	-3	0.70	-0.14	2
Free Union	68	21	45	-6	0.88	0.02	1
Glasgow	66	26	45	-3	0.82	0.12	2
Hillsville	71	27	43	-3	0.39	-0.44	1
Lake Of The Woods	64	24	44	-4	0.84	-0.01	2
Lynchburg	70	27	47	-2	0.53	-0.21	2
Mount Weather	60	24	39	-5	0.67	-0.17	2
Norfolk	80	39	57	4	0.02	-0.62	1
Piedmont Rsrch. Stat.	64	24	45	-4	1.27	0.42	2
Pulaski	67	26	43	-3	0.28	-0.31	3
Richlands	66	27	44	4	0.95	0.16	5
Richmond	72	29	50	0	0.02	-0.75	1
Roanoke	71	29	48	-2	0.52	-0.25	2
Saltville	67	28	44	-3	0.67	-0.03	4
Somerset	64	20	44	-5	1.51	0.66	1
Staunton	61	24	41	-5	1.42	0.72	3
Stuart	77	29	47	-2	0.22	-0.62	2
The Plains	60	19	42	-6	0.75	-0.09	2
Washington Dulles	61	21	45	-2	0.49	-0.28	2
Waynesboro	64	24	43	-3	1.21	0.51	1
Winchester	62	21	42	-4	0.95	0.21	2
Woodstock	63	22	43	-6	0.80	0.17	2
Wytheville	68	26	43	-2	0.65	0.02	3

Departure from Normal based on 1961-90 Normals.

Precipitation Days=Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more.