



# Crop Progress and Condition

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**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.0. Field activities for the week included planting barley and wheat, and harvesting cotton, peanuts, and soybeans. Weather conditions were mild with scattered precipitation; average temperatures went up a little this week and reported precipitation amounts ranged from 0.17 of an inch to 2.92 inches. High temperatures were in the upper 60s to 70s, and lows were in the middle 30s to lower 50s.

### SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/01/15

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	12	83	4
Subsoil	1	9	86	4

- Represents zero.

### CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/01/15

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Barley	-	-	13	75	12
Cotton	-	7	26	65	2
Hay, Alfalfa	-	5	34	56	5
Hay, Other	1	13	34	49	3
Soybeans	4	16	33	44	3
Pasture	2	14	34	44	6
Livestock	1	6	21	58	14

-Represents zero.

### CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/01/15

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Barley planted	75	64	86	90
Corn for grain harvested	93	90	87	93
Cotton harvested	51	36	34	52
Peanuts harvested	75	55	87	76

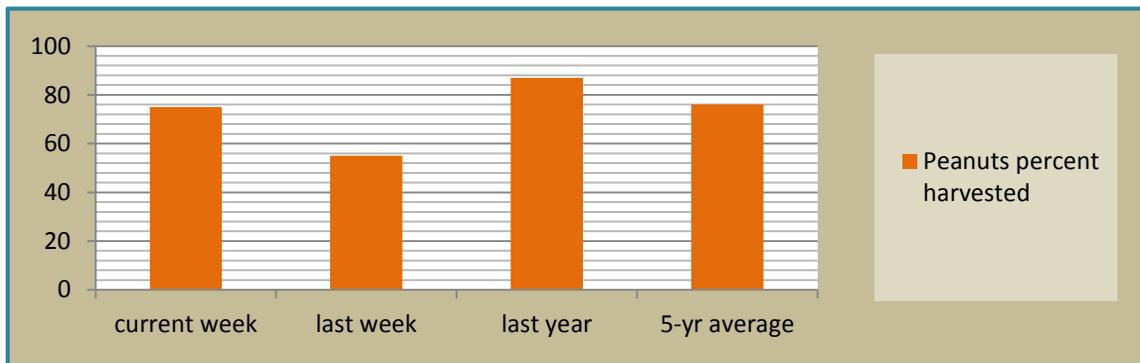
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**CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/01/15**

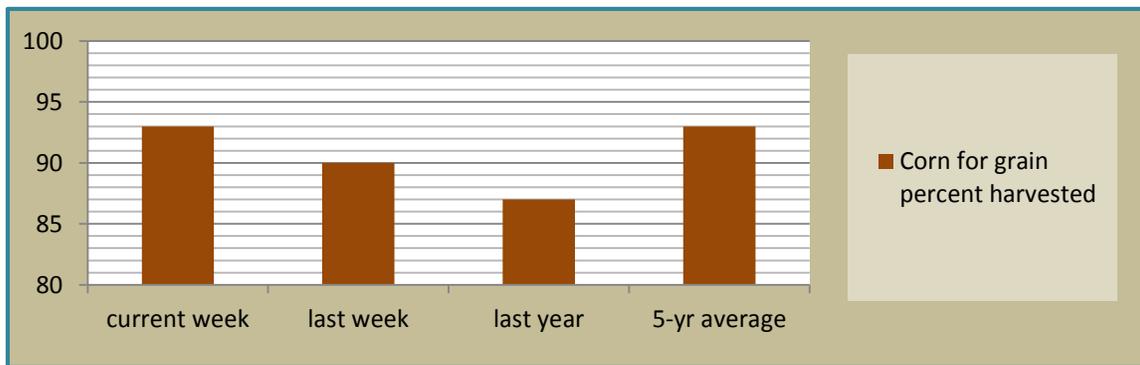
Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Soybeans dropping leaves	93	90	95	95
Soybeans harvested	47	33	42	40
Winter wheat planted	52	40	41	52

- Represents data not available.

**PEANUTS HARVESTED for week ending 11/01/15**



**CORN FOR GRAIN HARVESTED for week ending 11/01/15**



**Weather Summary- For the week ending November 01, 2015**

City	Temperature						Growing degree days (modified base 50)		Precipitation				
	Avg. max.	Avg. min.	High max.	Low min.	Avg.	Avg. dep. from normal *	Mar. 1 to Oct. 31	Mar. 1 to Oct. 31 norm	Last Week	Since Sept. 1	Sept. 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1 to date	Jan. 1 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	61	45	69	34	53	0	4040	3835	1.48	11.03	3.78	35.77	-1.10
Norfolk	69	57	78	53	63	5	4875	4309	0.17	8.42	0.91	41.54	1.98
Richmond	66	47	75	39	57	2	4684	4170	0.78	6.66	-0.90	39.36	1.52
Roanoke	61	47	71	35	54	1	4250	NA	2.92	14.45	7.44	45.86	9.47
Wash/Dulles	63	42	70	34	53	2	4076	NA	2.07	6.23	-0.93	33.52	-1.76

\* Normal based on 1971-2000 data. NA-Not available. Source: NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov>. Source: USDA, NASS, Virginia Field Office.

**REPORTER COMMENTS BY COUNTY –** Comments are based on remarks made by extension agents, farmers, commodity specialists, and other knowledgeable individuals.

**CENTRAL**

**APPOMATTOX (Bruce Jones)**

Dark tobacco is being "stripped" and boxed for market. Many growers had their first sale day for the season on Friday, October 30. Soybean harvest continued on Saturday, October 31 due to the previous wet soil conditions. The seed quality of the later planted soybeans is much better than early planted soybeans. There is still some wheat to be planted when soil conditions allow.

**CAROLINE (Mike Broaddus)**

Nothing new to report, a typical, and average fall.

**EASTERN****ESSEX (Keith Balderson)**

Rainfall during the week restored topsoil moisture and will help with the continued establishment of wheat and cover crops. Progress on soybean harvest was delayed due to damp conditions.

**NORTHAMPTON (Ursula Deitch)**

Soybean harvest and small grains planting continues.

**SOUTHEASTERN****BRUNSWICK (Cynthia Gregg)**

After frosts, leaves on soybeans began dropping quickly. As fields began to dry out some producers were able to get some harvesting completed. Some soybeans are showing damage from the weather we had a few weeks ago.

**CHESAPEAKE CITY (Watson Lawrence Jr.)**

Good weather continued this week allowing many acres of soybeans to be harvested. Soil conditions for wheat planting were excellent.

**SURRY (Glenn Slade)**

Frost has put a stop to late planted soybean growth. Yields and quality on late planted, double-crop, and early planted Group 3 and 4 varieties are down considerably. Will have to wait until harvest is complete to verify peanut and cotton yields.