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December was generally warm and wet, providing adequate conditions for pastures and grazing in most of the state. Heavy rainfall was reported throughout the entire state in December, with flooding occurring late in the month in several counties. There were some reports of flood damage in terms of soil erosion and fences destroyed by high waters. The majority of spring and summer crops were harvested prior to the rainfall, so there was minimal impact on what little harvesting was left of the cotton, peanut, and soybean crops. Fortunately, the wet conditions do not appear to have damaged much of the winter wheat, with most reports showing wheat to be in fair to good condition. Livestock and pastures have been reported as being in fair to good condition. Precipitation estimates for the month ranged from 5.64 inches in Gainesville to 19.02 inches in Opelika. Average mean temperatures for the month ranged from 51.9°F in Moulton to 60.2°F in Mobile.