

January 24, 2022

**Alabama:** January temperatures were generally on par with historic averages. Total rainfall for the month ranged from 1.7 inches in Mobile County to 7.8 inches in Walker County. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 17 percent of the state had abnormally dry conditions by month's end, compared to 23 percent at the month's beginning. Freezing temperatures, snowfall and rain events occurred frequently across the state in January. Winter pastures and cool season forages were in mostly fair condition, although freezing temperatures caused a decrease in overall condition. In some areas, excessive rainfall depleted nitrogen in wheat and fields were too wet for producers to apply nitrogen. Cattle have remained in fair to good condition as producers continued to supplement winter grazing with hay and feed when needed. Strawberry conditions were mostly good, however some producers reported damage due to freezing temperatures. Farmers continued field activities in preparation for spring planting.