

February 25, 2019

South Carolina: Temperatures averaged 2 to 9 degrees Fahrenheit above normal for the month, depending on location. Total rainfall for the month ranged from 0.1 inches in multiple locations to 11.0 inches in Greenville County. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 15 percent of the State had abnormally dry conditions by month's end, compared to being free of abnormally dry condition in the beginning of February. The abnormally dry conditions were confined to the coastline where relatively little agriculture is conducted. Rainy conditions in several agricultural counties kept fieldwork at a minimum and prevented weed control and fertilizer treatments for small grains. When conditions permitted, some farmers began applying chicken litter and fertilizers in preparation for spring planting.