January 25, 2022

South Carolina: January temperatures were 1.2 to 4.7 degrees cooler than historic averages depending on location. Total rainfall during the month ranged from little precipitation to 5.2 inches. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 43 percent of the state was experiencing abnormally dry conditions by month's end, compared to 81 percent at the beginning of the month. Cold temperatures throughout January brought substantial snowfall to some regions with little reported damage. Topsoil moisture was reported to be excessive due to recent precipitation events. Wheat was noted to be in mostly good condition. Strawberries remained behind in development but in good condition. Diminishing forages and snowfall caused some farmers to begin feeding hay.