



Crop Progress and Condition

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Agricultural News: This is the last weekly Virginia Crop Weather Bulletin of the year. Monthly reports will be published during the winter months. We would like to thank our federal, state and county cooperative partners for their valuable help in providing the information that makes this publication possible. Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.4. Weather conditions were cool and damp. There are still some drought conditions. Farming activities for the week included selling livestock and harvesting soybeans.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/24/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	11	87	2
Subsoil	-	21	79	-

- Represents zero.

CROP CONDITIONS for week ending 11/24/19

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Barley	-	1	23	68	8
Winter Wheat	-	1	21	65	13
Pasture	14	37	35	14	-

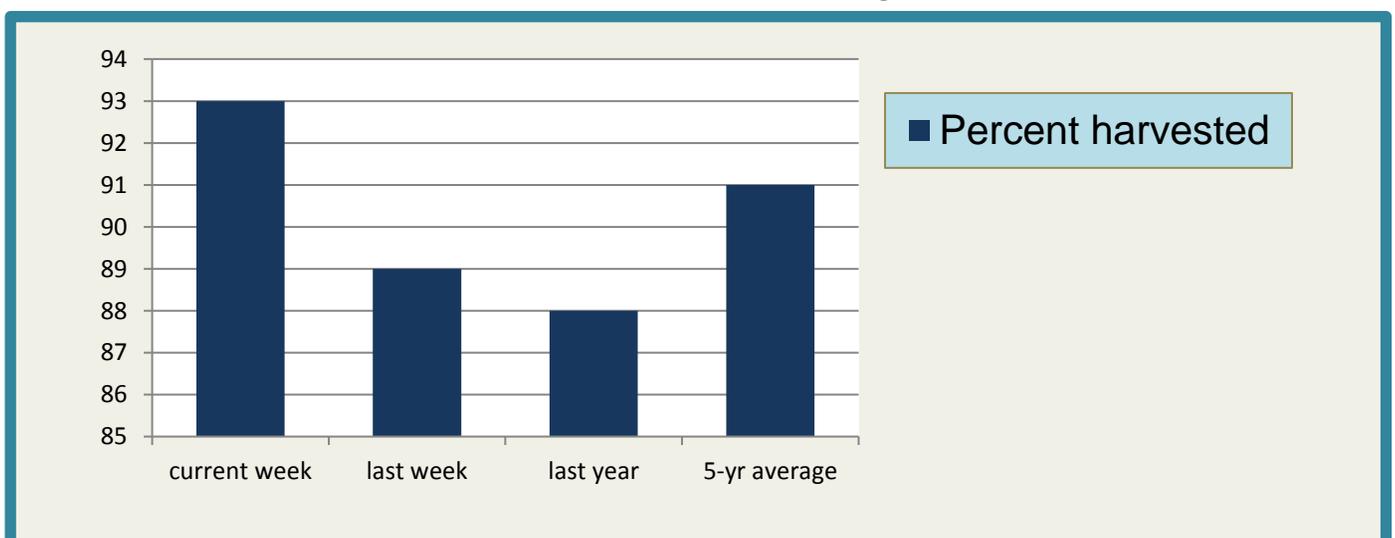
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CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/24/19

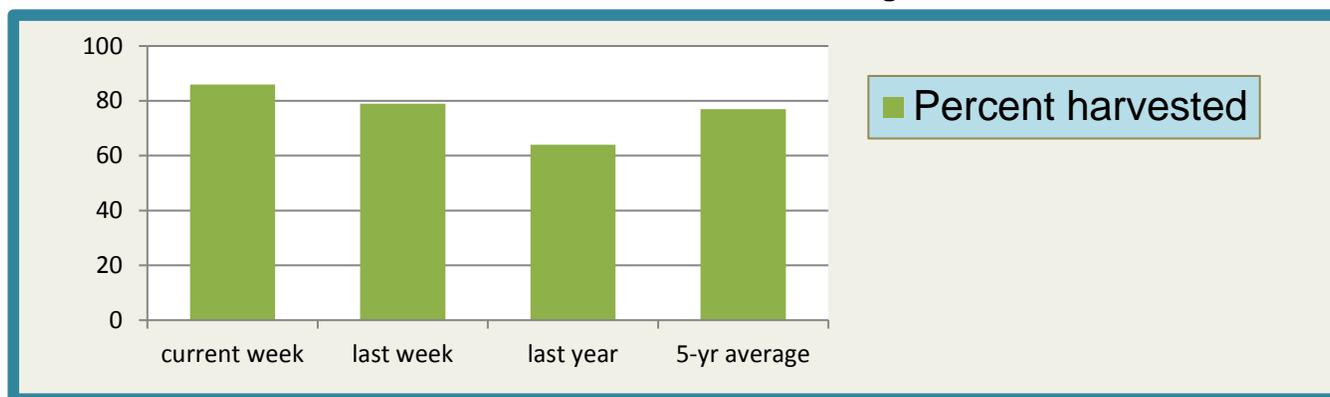
Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Cotton harvested	93	89	88	91
Soybeans harvested	86	79	64	77
Winter Wheat planted	95	90	77	85

-Represents data not available.

COTTON HARVESTED for week ending 11/24/19



SOYBEANS HARVESTED for week ending 11/24/19



Weather Summary- For the week ending November 24, 2019

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 Nov. 23	Mar. 1 to Nov. 23 Norm	Last Week	Since Sep. 1	Sep. 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1 to date	Jan. 1 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	52	34	59	26	43	-3	4508	3962	1.05	8.14	-1.55	36.81	-2.34
Norfolk	55	46	65	45	51	-1	5337	4474	0.46	8.30	-1.58	43.92	1.69
Richmond	54	39	61	30	46	-2	5003	4332	0.80	6.82	-3.06	40.85	0.81
Roanoke	51	36	60	33	43	-4	4702	NA	0.69	8.36	-1.03	39.86	1.17
Wash/Dulles	49	34	54	25	41	-3	4353	NA	1.12	7.79	-1.94	37.63	-0.38

* 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.

WESTERN

ROCKBRIDGE (Thomas Stanley)

Seasonably cool with about an inch of rain Friday - Sunday morning.

CENTRAL

BUCKINGHAM (Jennifer Ligon)

Livestock are being sold at record numbers to deal with the pasture and hay shortage.

EASTERN

CHARLES CITY (Scott Reiter)

Most producers finished soybean harvest before the rain showers at the end of the week. Those with soybeans left have only a few acres to get. Yields have been variable. Full season soybeans have mostly average yields, and double-crop soybeans are off 25-50% due to dry weather from August-October. Wheat acres are down again in 2019/2020 due to low prices and frustrations with quality being poor (feed wheat vs milling wheat) for the past 4 years.

SOUTHEASTERN

GREENSVILLE (Sara Rutherford)

Soybean harvest continues. Rain Saturday into Sunday brought around 3/4 to 1+ inches of rain to the county.

CHESAPEAKE CITY (Watson Lawrence Jr.)

Overcast skies and moisture preventing harvest of soybeans the past week with more rain expected this weekend. Not ground saturation rain, but enough to prevent harvest and field work. Colder than normal temperatures are also prevailing this November.

PRINCE GEORGE (Scott Reiter)

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