



Crop Progress and Condition

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Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.7. Virginia experienced above normal temperatures in March with periods of rain. Fields are wet and pastures are greening up quickly. Farming activities for the month included planning in regards to the COVID-19 pandemic, preparing fields, spreading fertilizer, and weaning calves.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 03/29/20

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	2	83	15
Subsoil	-	1	90	9
Hay & Roughage	17	32	47	4

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 03/29/20

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Barley	-	2	20	68	10
Winter Wheat	1	2	17	67	13
Pasture	1	13	43	39	4
Livestock	1	6	33	47	13

- Represents zero.

Forage Percent Obtained from Pastures	This Month	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%
Feed Obtained from Pastures	28	-	-

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending March 22, 2020*

City	Temperature						Precipitation				
	Avg. max.	Avg. min.	High max.	Low min.	Avg.	Avg. dep. from normal *	Last Week	Since Dec. 1	Dec. 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1, 2020 to date	Jan. 1, 2020 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	53	32	64	22	42	2	0.82	12.24	2.37	9.38	2.73
Norfolk	59	39	66	29	49	5	0.24	10.14	-0.20	8.06	0.80
Richmond	54	35	63	25	45	3	0.42	10.46	0.78	7.19	0.66
Roanoke	52	34	63	27	43	2	0.31	10.19	1.01	7.35	1.02
Wash/Dulles	50	30	61	19	40	3	1.09	9.55	0.63	6.57	0.76

* Normal based on 1971-2000 data. NA-Not available. Data for the week ending 3/29/2020 were not available at the time of publishing. Source: NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov>. Source: USDA, NASS, Virginia Field Office.