



# Crop Progress and Condition

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**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.9. Weather conditions were mostly cool and rain was spotty. Many fields were wet from the previous precipitation from Hurricane Delta, delaying some harvesting. Average high temperatures were in the 60s to 70s. Farming activities for the week included making hay, harvesting soybeans, and assisting with fall calving.

### SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 10/18/20

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	2	76	22
Subsoil	-	4	71	25

- Represents zero.

### CROP CONDITIONS for week ending 10/18/20

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Cotton	5	20	34	41	-
Hay, Alfalfa	-	11	19	65	5
Hay, Other	-	14	32	51	3
Peanuts	-	8	43	49	-
Soybeans	5	8	29	56	2
Pasture	1	7	23	56	13

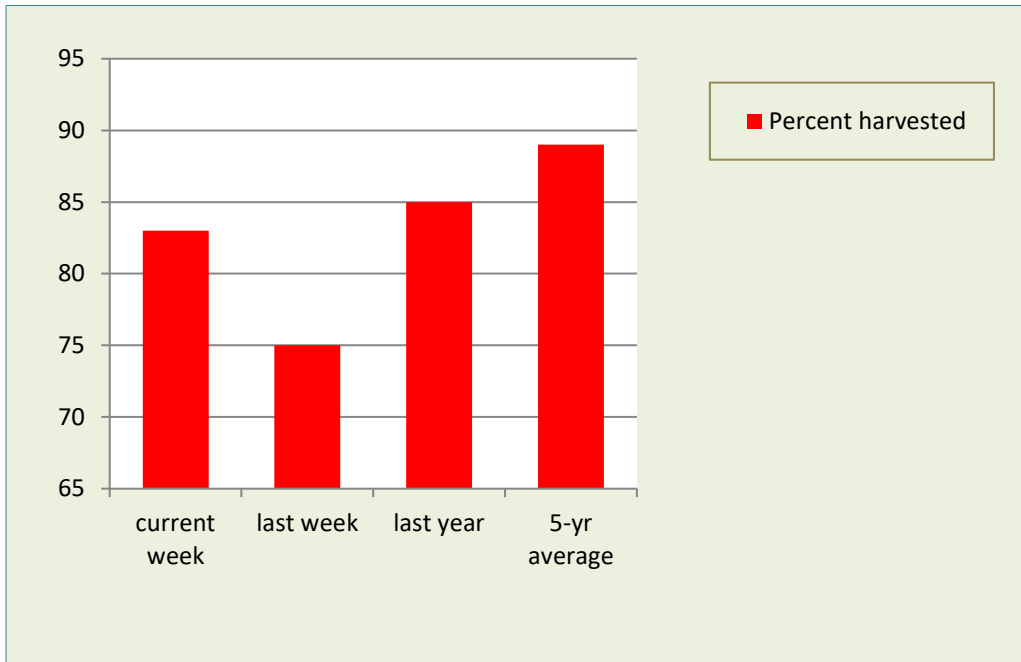
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### CROP PROGRESS for week ending 10/18/20

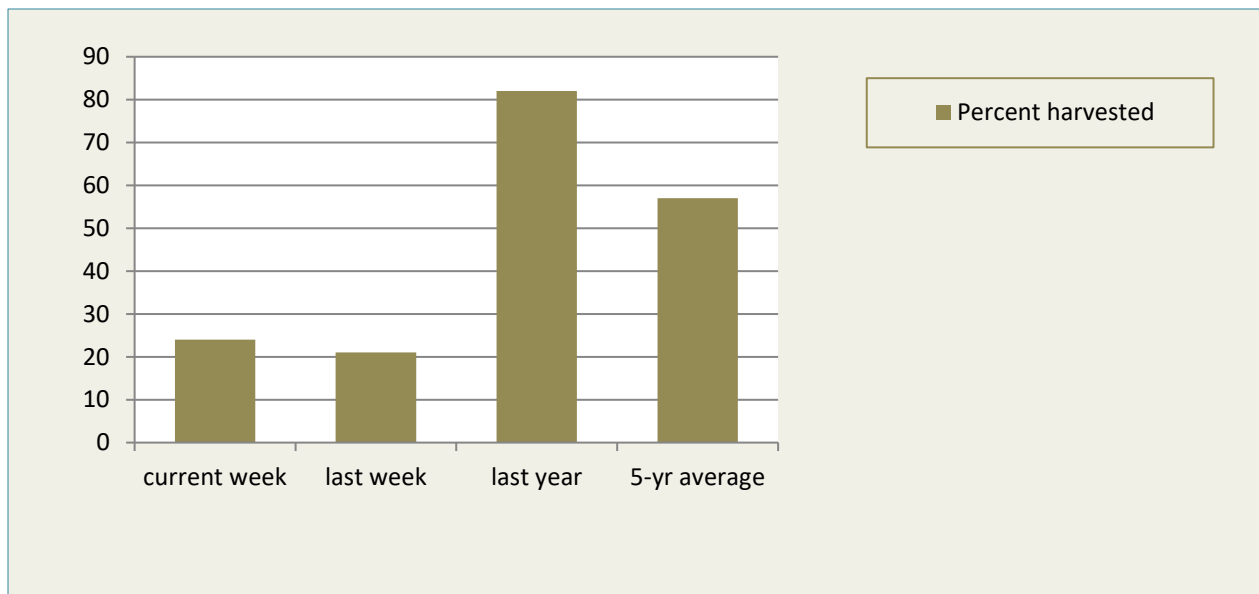
Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	83	75	85	89
Barley planted	48	39	58	54
Corn harvested for grain	84	76	95	88
Cotton bolls opening	96	93	98	98
Cotton harvested	14	9	47	26
Peanuts harvested	24	21	82	57
Soybeans dropping leaves	75	60	83	80
Soybeans harvested	18	12	37	22
Tobacco, Flue-cured harvested	96	94	-	-
Winter wheat planted	42	34	49	31

- Represents data not available.

### APPLES HARVESTED for week ending 10/18/20



### PEANUTS HARVESTED for week ending 10/18/20



### Weather Summary- For the week ending October 18, 2020

City	Temperature				Precipitation				
	Avg. high	Avg. low	Avg. mean	Avg. dep. from normal *	Last Week	Since Sept. 1	Sept. 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1, 2020 to date	Jan. 1, 2020 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	71.0	45.8	58.4	+2.0	0.09	8.87	+3.2	51.83	+18.3
Norfolk	73.7	56.6	65.1	+2.9	0.83	9.15	+2.4	43.24	+4.5
Richmond	70.7	49.9	60.3	+0.5	2.11	10.64	+4.8	50.48	+14.6
Roanoke	69.4	46.6	58.0	+0.1	0.07	7.15	+1.6	50.44	+16.8
Wash/Dulles	68.9	44.6	56.7	+0.6	0.49	3.61	-2.2	37.76	+4.0

\*Normals value based on 2010 normals data. Data were not available from NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center. Source: NOAA Southeast Regional Climate Center <https://www.sercc.com/>.