



Crop Progress and Condition

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Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.5. Weather conditions were hot and humid with spotty rain. There are abnormally dry to moderate drought conditions in the State. Farming activities for the week included making hay and selling some livestock due to short pastures.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 07/30/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	10	25	65	-
Subsoil	9	32	59	-
Hay & Roughage	5	34	59	2

- Represents zero.

CROP CONDITIONS for week ending 07/30/23

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	3	8	31	54	4
Cotton	-	-	3	94	3
Hay, Alfalfa	2	15	30	51	2
Hay, Other	4	13	39	43	1
Pasture	7	16	39	36	2
Peanuts	-	-	5	90	5
Soybeans	4	5	20	67	4
Tobacco, Burley	-	1	14	80	5
Tobacco, Fire-cured	-	-	8	74	18
Tobacco, Flue-cured	-	5	25	62	8

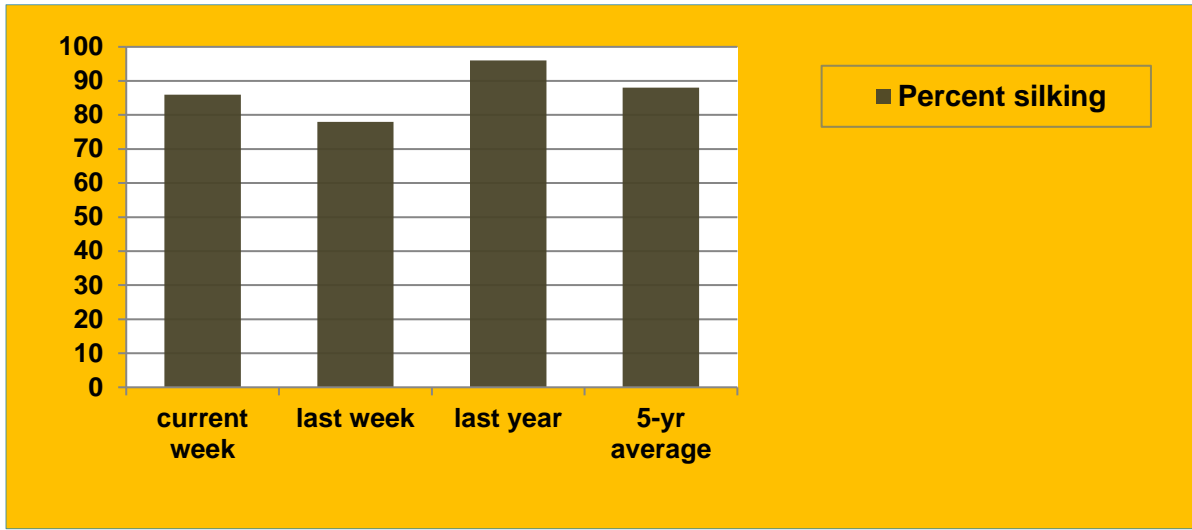
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CROP PROGRESS for the week ending 07/30/23

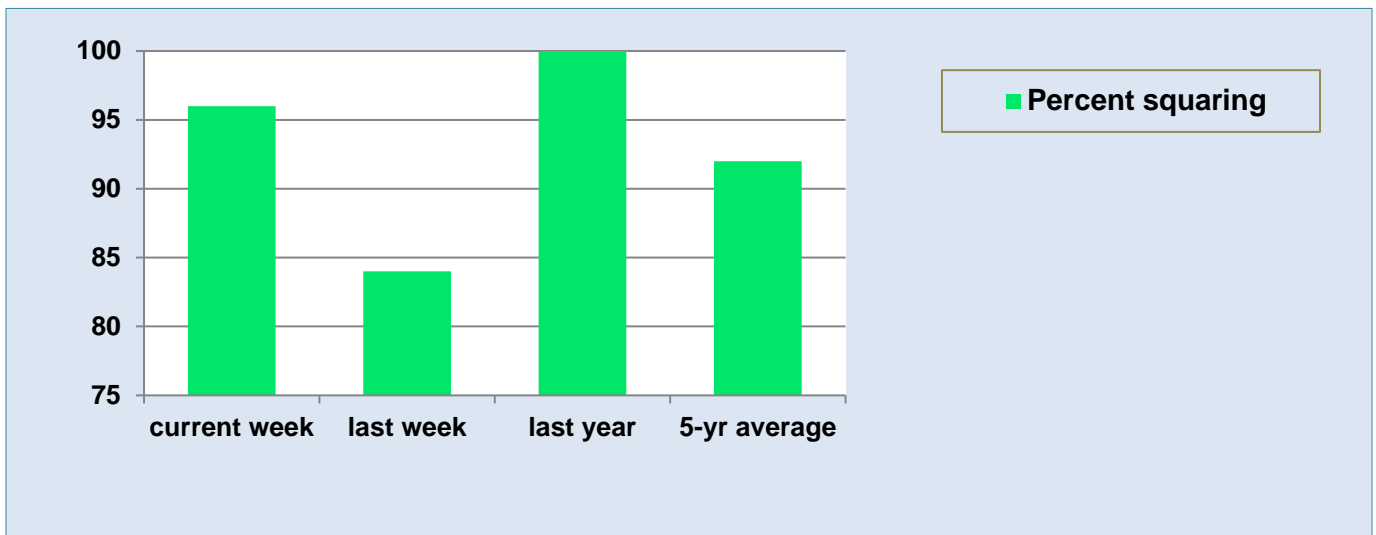
Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	12	7	15	16
Corn silking	86	78	96	88
Corn dough	65	46	78	65
Corn dented	32	19	42	-
Corn mature	1	-	-	-
Cotton squaring	96	84	100	92
Cotton setting bolls	54	35	70	54
Peanuts pegging	74	70	93	82
Soybeans blooming	58	47	80	58
Soybeans setting pods	33	24	34	29
Tobacco, Flue-cured harvested	21	10	24	16

- Represents data not available or zero.

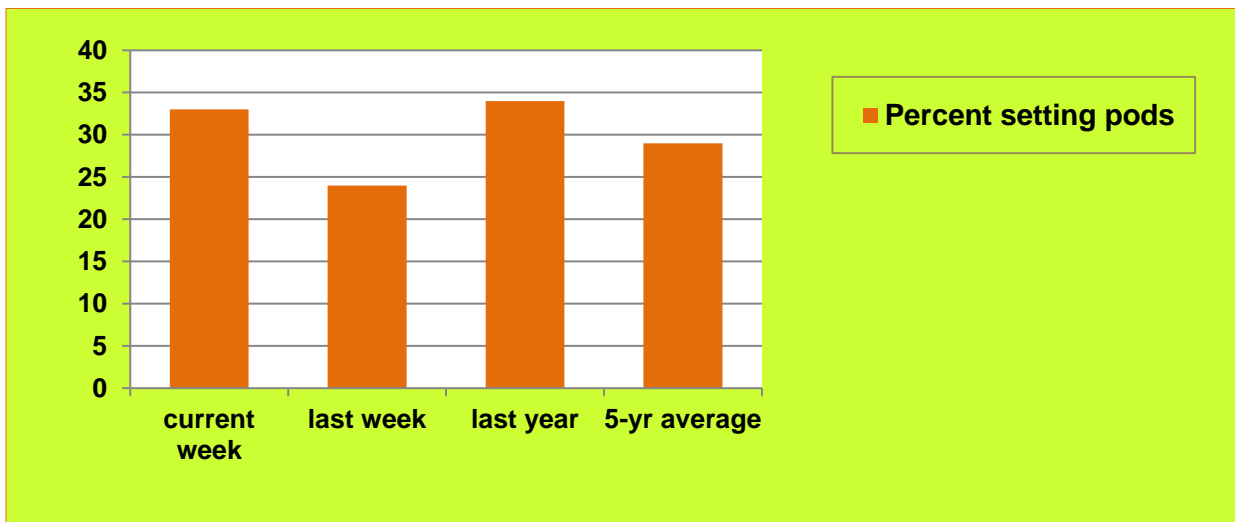
CORN SILKING for week ending 07/30/23



COTTON SQUARING for week ending 07/30/23



SOYBEANS SETTING PODS for week ending 07/30/23



Weather Summary- For the week ending July 30, 2023

City	Temperature				Precipitation				
	Avg. high	Avg. low	Avg. mean	Avg. dep. from normal *	Last Week	Since June 1	June 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1, 2023 to date	Jan. 1, 2023 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	90.7	67.6	79.1	+3.2	0.09	14.71	+6.8	29.29	+3.9
Norfolk	90.0	74.4	82.2	+1.2	2.47	15.91	+5.6	30.20	+2.8
Richmond	92.6	72.4	82.5	+3.2	1.53	9.44	+0.6	24.12	-1.8
Roanoke	91.7	69.0	80.4	+2.6	0.10	9.63	+0.8	23.68	-2.5
Wash/Dulles	93.4	70.4	81.9	+4.6	0.36	7.30	-1.0	17.28	-8.3

*Normals value based on 1991-2020 normals data. Source: NOAA Southeast Regional Climate Center <https://www.sercc.com/>.