



Crop Progress and Condition

USDA, NASS, Virginia Field Office
Herman Ellison, State Statistician
601 W Broadway, Rm 645
Louisville, KY 40202
(502) 907-3250
Homepage: <http://www.nass.usda.gov/va>

In Cooperation with:
U.S. Dept. of Commerce - NOAA
Virginia Tech
Virginia State University
Virginia Cooperative Extension Service
Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Released: January 29, 2024

Issue: 01-24

Agricultural News: Farming activities for the month of January included feeding hay, monitoring livestock, and preparing tobacco for market. There are some reports of respiratory diseases in poultry houses. Weather conditions have been mostly wet with rain and some snow. Recent rains have left fields muddy. The average high temperatures during the month of January were mostly in the upper 40s. The average low temperatures during the month of January were mostly in the 30s. Monthly precipitation amounts ranged between 3 to 7 inches. There are abnormally dry drought conditions in the State.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 01/28/24

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	2	56	42
Subsoil	1	6	80	13
Hay & Roughage	5	36	55	4

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 01/28/24

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Barley	-	1	20	71	8
Winter Wheat	1	4	42	51	2
Pasture	6	27	36	29	2
Livestock	1	3	35	55	6

- Represents zero.

Forage Percent Obtained from Pastures	This Month	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%
Feed Obtained from Pastures	11	-	-

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending January 28, 2024

City	Temperature				Precipitation				
	Avg. high	Avg. low	Avg. mean	Avg. dep. from normal *	Last Week	Since Dec. 1	Dec. 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1, 2024 to date	Jan. 1, 2024 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	59.4	37.4	48.4	+12.6	2.02	11.34	+4.7	6.30	+3.2
Norfolk	64.0	45.7	54.9	+13.1	0.21	9.60	+3.2	3.17	+0.1
Richmond	61.9	43.1	52.5	+14.3	1.16	14.63	+8.2	5.76	+2.8
Roanoke	58.9	39.9	49.4	+11.6	1.35	8.94	+3.0	4.58	+1.7
Wash/Dulles	55.4	35.1	45.3	+11.6	1.69	11.75	+5.8	6.00	+3.3

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