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South Carolina: February temperatures were 1.2 to 5.8 degrees warmer than historic averages depending on location. Total rainfall during the month ranged from 0.1 inches in Horry County to 7.2 inches in Pickens County. Some parts of the Upstate region received up to a half inch of snow during the month. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 82 percent of the state had abnormally dry conditions and 31 percent had moderate drought conditions by month's end, compared to 56 percent abnormally dry and 28 percent with moderate drought at the month's beginning. Despite being warmer than average, temperatures across the state fluctuated heavily throughout the month. Winter grazing conditions improved with warmer temperatures, although some reporters noted that more rain and continued warm temperatures were still needed. Field work activities began to pick up steam in preparation for spring planting. Vegetable losses due to freeze events were reported in the Pee Dee region. Some reporters in the Lowcountry noted that cattle weights were down due to slow growth of winter and spring grazing.