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Crop Progress and Condition

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<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.6. Weather conditions were dry with average high temperatures mostly in the 80s. Average lows were mostly in the upper 50s. Precipitation was up a little from the previous week. Drier conditions are slowing crop progress. There are abnormally dry to severe drought conditions in the State. Farming activities for the week included making hay, harvesting corn for grain and silage, and planting cover crops.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 9/25/22

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	6	32	62	-
Subsoil	4	27	69	-

- Represents zero.

CROP CONDITIONS for week ending 9/25/22

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Cotton	-	2	21	73	4
Hay, Alfalfa	-	1	21	70	8
Hay, Other	1	9	35	46	9
Peanuts	-	2	25	70	3
Soybeans	1	11	31	52	5
Pasture	1	10	29	45	15

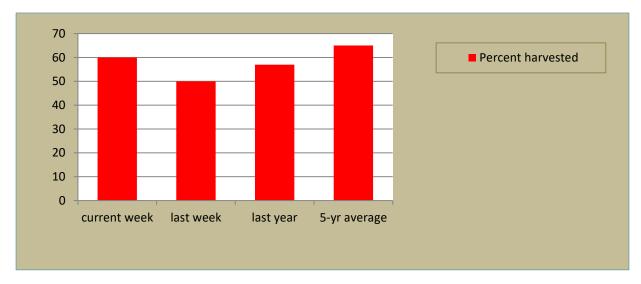
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CROP PROGRESS for week ending 9/25/22

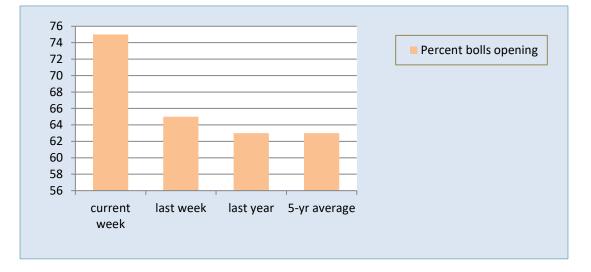
Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	60	50	57	65
Barley planted	13	6	14	14
Corn for grain harvested	67	51	52	64
Corn for silage harvested	96	92	94	94
Cotton bolls opening	75	65	63	63
Peanuts harvested	20	1	15	14
Soybeans dropping leaves	36	30	40	34
Soybeans harvested	2	-	-	-
Winter Wheat planted	26	14	15	12

- Represents zero or data not available.

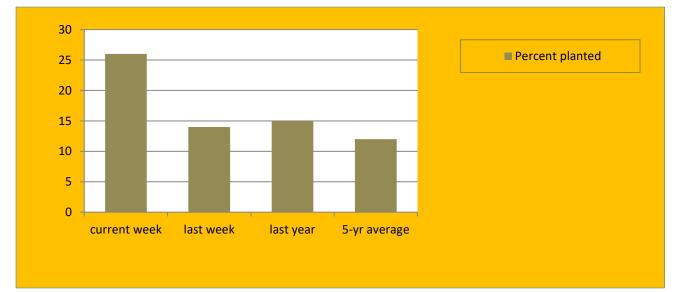
APPLES HARVESTED for week ending 9/25/22



COTTON BOLLS OPENING for week ending 9/25/22



WINTER WHEAT PLANTED for week ending 9/25/22



Weather Summary- For the week ending September 25, 2022

	Temperature				Precipitation				
City	Avg. high	Avg. low	Avg. mean	Avg. dep. from normal *	Last Week	Since Sept 1	Sept 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1, 2022 to date	Jan. 1, 2022 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	83.7	56.3	70.0	+4.1	0.09	0.97	-2.3	34.17	+2.1
Norfolk	84.6	63.7	74.1	+1.8	0.19	0.38	-4.2	27.64	-10.5
Richmond	86.1	57.9	72.0	+2.9	0.39	0.76	-3.1	28.47	-6.3
Roanoke	81.4	57.4	69.4	+2.0	0.09	3.22	-0.1	33.34	+0.3
Wash/Dulles	78.1	54.6	66.4	+0.1	0.03	2.81	-0.4	30.27	-2.2

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