



Crop Progress and Condition

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Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.4. Weather conditions were cooler, but warmed later in the week and rain was light. There are abnormally dry to severe drought conditions in the State. Farming activities for the week included harvesting corn and tobacco.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 10/01/23

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	5	16	75	4
Subsoil	10	21	66	3
Hay & Roughage	14	29	54	3

- Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 10/01/23

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Cotton	-	1	8	91	-
Hay, Alfalfa	4	14	30	47	5
Hay, Other	9	17	36	36	2
Pasture	9	17	35	37	2
Peanuts	-	1	18	80	1
Soybeans	3	7	30	55	5
Livestock	1	6	28	59	6

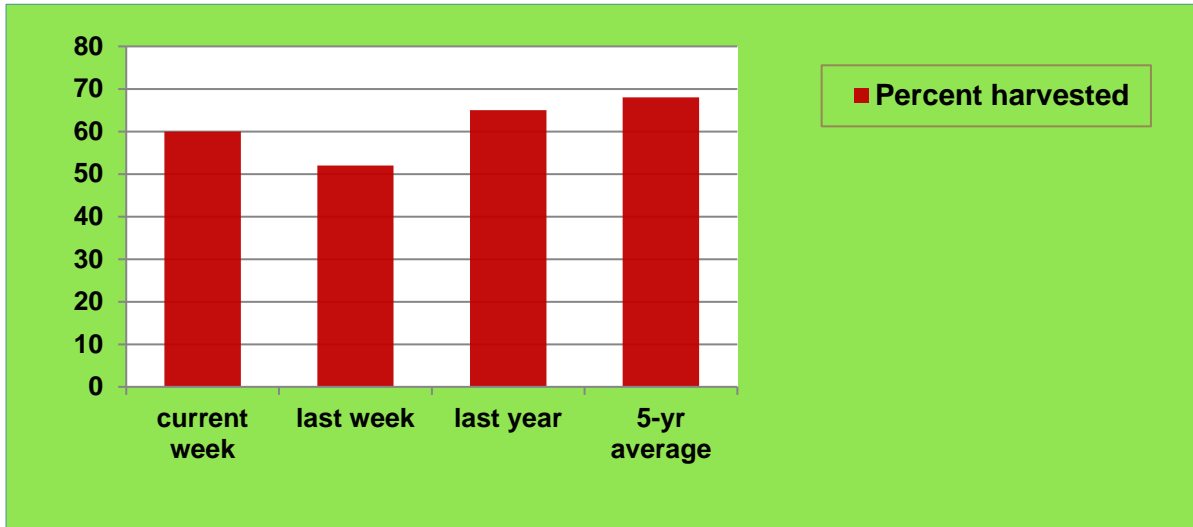
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CROP PROGRESS for the week ending 10/01/23

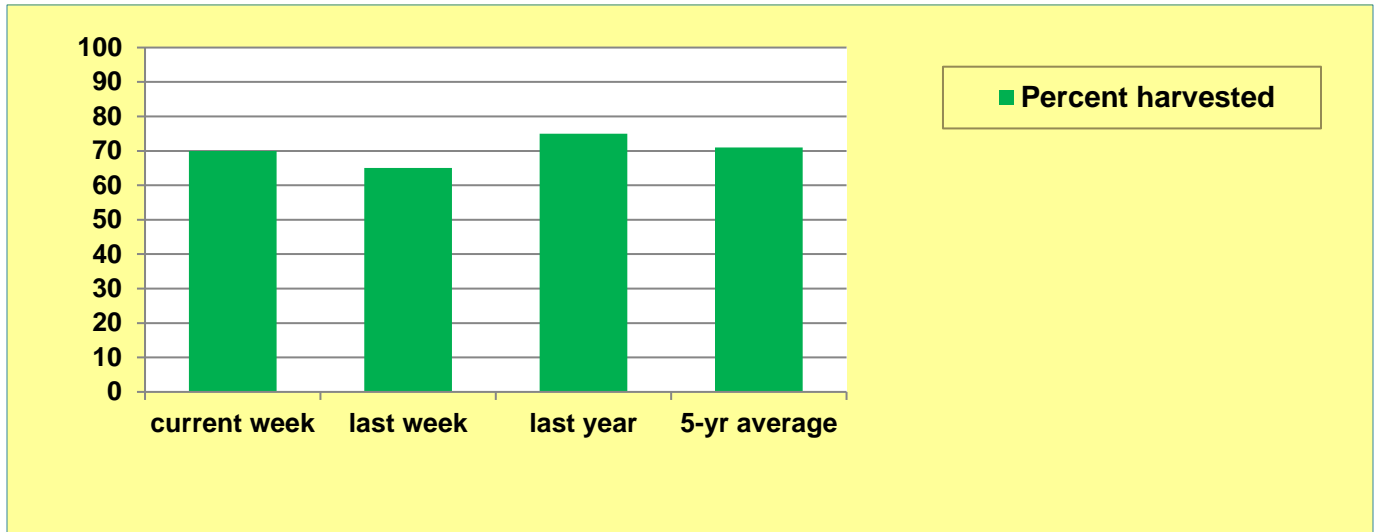
Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	60	52	65	68
Barley planted	26	16	21	23
Corn mature	95	91	-	-
Corn for grain harvested	70	65	75	71
Corn for silage harvested	95	89	-	-
Cotton bolls opening	82	70	89	78
Cotton harvested	6	2	9	6
Peanuts harvested	32	20	39	30
Soybeans dropping leaves	46	33	52	48
Soybeans harvested	3	-	6	4
Winter Wheat planted	24	15	34	23

- Represents data not available or zero.

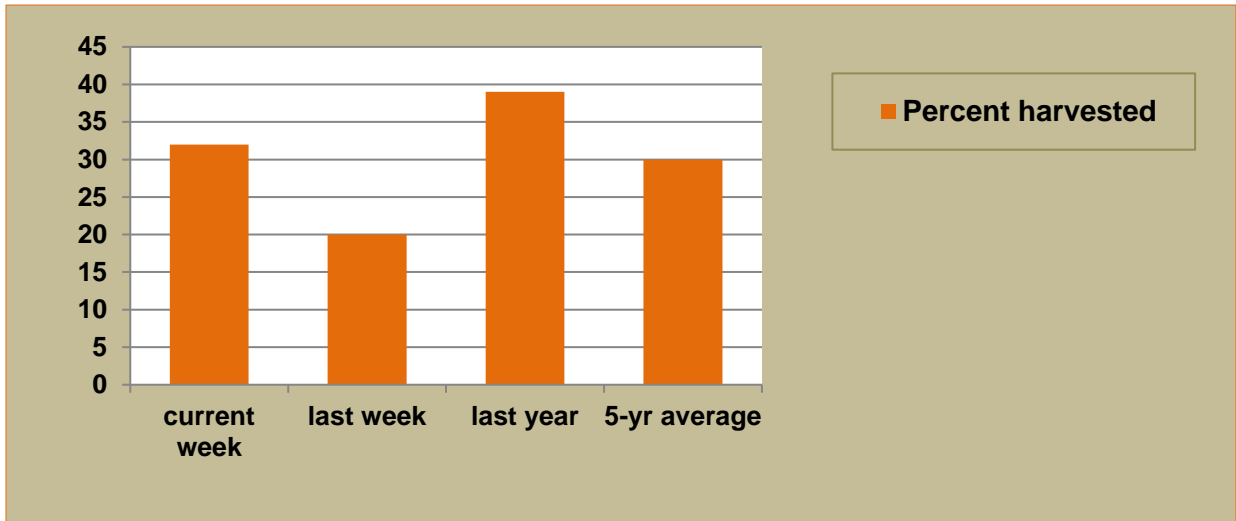
APPLES HARVESTED for week ending 10/01/23



CORN HARVESTED FOR GRAIN for week ending 10/01/23



PEANUTS HARVESTED for week ending 10/01/23



Weather Summary- For the week ending October 1, 2023

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, 2023 to date	Jan. 1, 2023 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	72.9	56.0	64.4	+0.7	0.04	3.53	-0.6	35.14	+2.3
Norfolk	70.0	64.3	67.1	-3.2	0.04	2.89	-2.6	40.56	+1.5
Richmond	72.7	60.1	66.4	-0.4	0.01	4.99	+0.3	31.21	-4.5
Roanoke	74.0	58.4	66.2	+0.9	0.04	2.79	-1.4	28.01	-5.8
Wash/Dulles	72.6	57.0	64.8	+1.0	0.17	6.65	+2.6	25.87	-7.4

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