



Crop Progress and Condition

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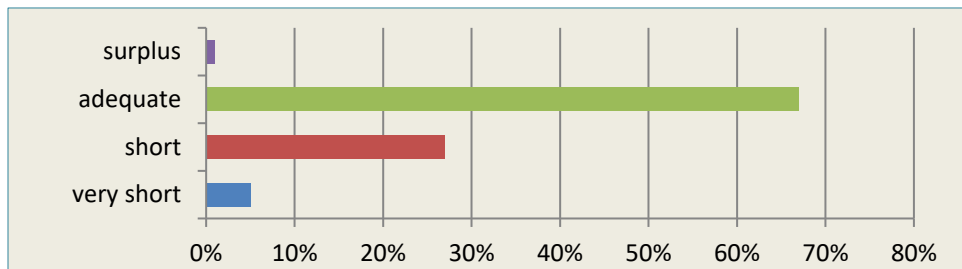
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.0. Weather conditions were warm with scattered precipitation. Average high temperatures were mostly in the upper 70s. There are abnormally dry to extreme drought conditions in the State. Farming activities for the week included making hay, planting small grain crops, and harvesting apples, corn, cotton, peanuts, and soybeans. Forage supplies remain tight.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 9/22/24

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	5	27	67	1
Subsoil	6	39	55	-

- Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 9/22/24



CROP CONDITIONS for week ending 9/22/24

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Corn	22	40	29	9	-
Cotton	-	-	30	70	-
Hay, Alfalfa	-	20	41	36	3
Hay, Other	9	26	34	31	-
Pasture	11	30	36	22	1
Peanuts	-	-	15	67	18
Soybeans	4	10	36	48	2

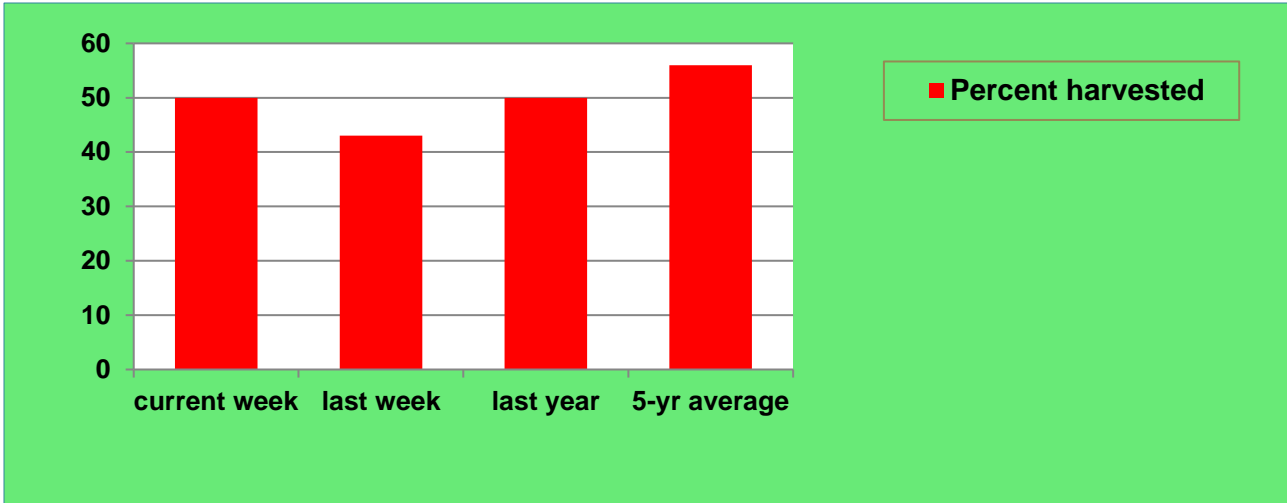
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CROP PROGRESS for week ending 9/22/24

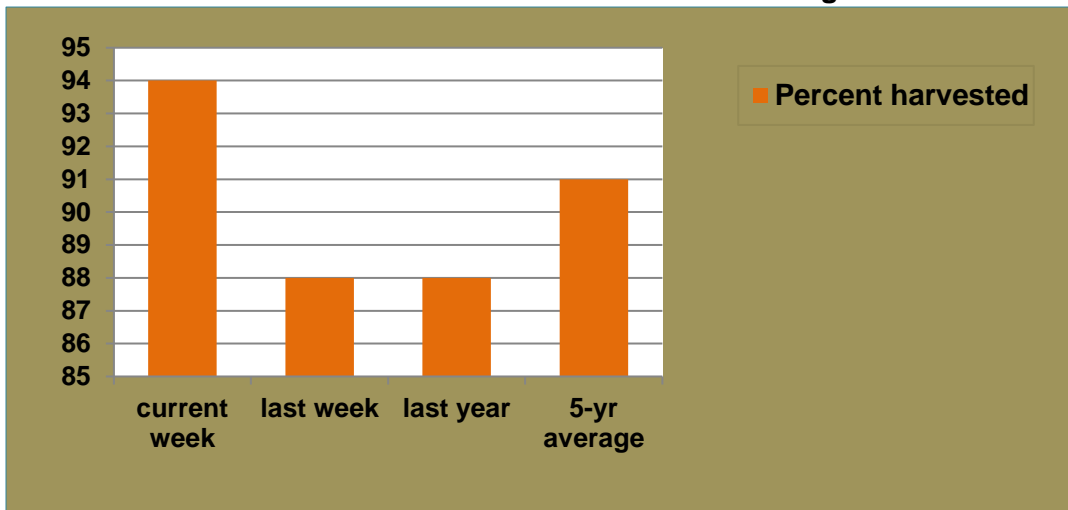
Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Apples harvested	50	43	50	56
Barley planted	23	13	14	12
Corn mature	89	84	90	-
Corn for grain harvested	55	40	61	59
Corn for silage harvested	94	88	88	91
Cotton bolls opening	75	63	68	65
Cotton harvested	5	1	2	1
Peanuts harvested	6	1	15	12
Soybeans dropping leaves	37	24	30	30
Soybeans harvested	1	-	-	-
Winter Wheat planted	17	9	13	14

- Represents zero or data not available.

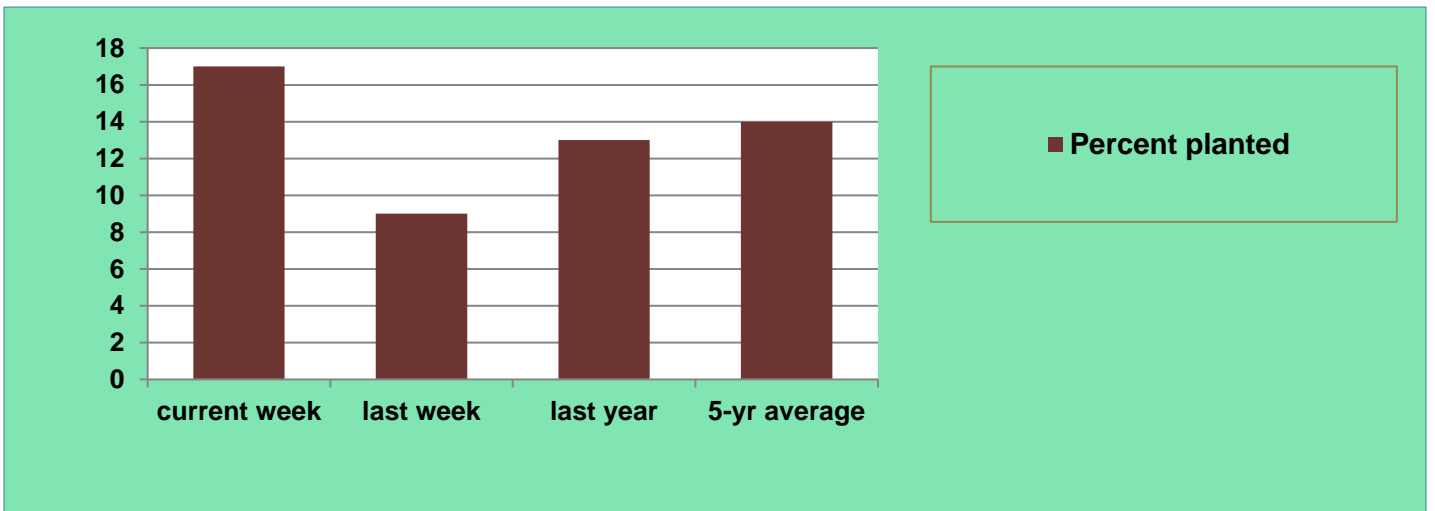
APPLES HARVESTED for week ending 9/22/24



CORN FOR SILAGE HARVESTED for week ending 9/22/24



WINTER WHEAT PLANTED for week ending 9/22/24



Weather Summary- For the week ending September 22, 2024

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, 2024 to date	Jan. 1, 2024 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	78.4	62.4	70.4	+3.4	2.41	1.59	-1.2	32.13	+0.5
Norfolk	76.9	68.0	72.4	-0.9	1.84	3.35	-0.8	43.69	+6.0
Richmond	79.9	65.9	72.9	+2.7	0.84	0.91	-2.6	40.74	+6.3
Roanoke	78.4	61.9	70.1	+1.6	2.80	2.80	-0.1	28.59	-4.0
Wash/Dulles	79.4	63.9	71.6	+4.1	0.64	0.64	-2.2	26.42	-5.7

*Normals value based on 1991-2020 normals data. Source: NOAA Southeast Regional Climate Center <https://www.sercc.com/>.
Drought information can be found at <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/CurrentMap/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?VA>.