



Crop Progress and Condition



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Summer Heat Hits Idaho

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, up from 6.9 days reported the previous week. Most of western Idaho had above average temperatures during the week. The weather was slightly cooler towards the eastern part of the State, but was still warmer than previous weeks. In Elmore and Owyhee Counties, ranges were drying out, and some grasses entered the first stages of dormancy. In Twin Falls and Jerome Counties, corn started to tassel. With the warm and dry weather, the second cutting of alfalfa came off excellent. In the eastern part of the State, most producers completed their first cutting of hay. Crops have done well with the increased heat, and irrigation was needed.

Harvest Continued in Oregon

There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, down from 7.0 days reported the previous week. Temperatures in Oregon this week were slightly above average, with minimal precipitation in limited areas. In the northwest region of Oregon, temperatures were warm with dry conditions. There were reports of irrigation issues, which caused heat damage to some berry fields. In Benton and Lincoln Counties, there were reports of concern regarding forage shortages for livestock producers. In Tillamook County, the corn crops continued to develop. Hay fields have been baled and treated with manure applications. In the north central region of Oregon, there were reports of cold mornings and windy days. They also experienced a thunderstorm and a small amount of rain earlier in the week. Harvest continued throughout the week. In Umatilla County, winter wheat harvest was underway. In southern Oregon, there were reports of high temperatures. In Malheur County, wheat and pea harvest began, and growers continued to cut hay. Most field corn had tasseled, and silks were showing. Hand weeding of onion fields continued, and the second cutting of alfalfa was mostly complete.

Start of Summer Harvest in Washington

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, unchanged from 7.0 days reported the previous week. Western Washington reported dry conditions and drought, with no major changes to crop conditions from last week. Central Washington reported dry conditions and wildfires that had been contained. The second cutting of hay harvest had almost finished, and wheat harvest had started. In Yakima County, a small amount of precipitation was received early in the week. Apple growers utilized several strategies to protect fruit from excessive temperatures and sunburn, including evaporative misting, net screening, kaolin clay, and other crop protectants. Peach growers moved bins into fields in anticipation of harvest. Cucumbers, sweet corn, peppers, green beans, garlic, onion, summer squashes, blueberries, and melons were available at roadside stands. Hops filled in their trellises, and light, green-colored hop cones were found in more mature yards. A few wildfires were experienced in Yakima Valley, but the air quality remained good. In east central Washington, winter wheat harvest started. Southeast Washington saw more hot temperatures.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 07/16/23

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	2	29	69	-
Oregon.....	30	36	34	-
Washington.....	40	36	24	-
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	3	25	71	1
Oregon.....	27	38	35	-
Washington.....	35	34	31	-

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 07/16/23

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	-	7	27	46	20
Oregon	2	12	62	16	8
Washington.....	2	28	41	27	2
Winter wheat					
Idaho	2	14	35	45	4
Oregon	8	32	36	24	-
Washington.....	2	13	32	49	4
Spring wheat					
Idaho	1	5	30	60	4
Oregon	6	36	36	22	-
Washington.....	1	21	32	44	2
Barley					
Idaho	1	3	23	70	3
Oregon	5	10	52	32	1
Washington.....	1	12	30	56	1
Oats					
Idaho	-	-	17	81	2
Oregon	1	10	47	39	3
Potatoes					
Idaho	-	3	23	71	3
Oregon	-	-	28	56	16
Washington.....	-	1	42	44	13
Corn					
Idaho	-	1	10	84	5
Oregon	-	2	30	56	12
Washington.....	-	3	22	59	16
Dry edible beans					
Idaho	-	9	45	43	3
Washington.....	-	3	45	45	7
Onions					
Idaho	-	-	1	89	10
Oregon	-	5	26	60	9
Washington.....	-	-	24	76	-
Sugarbeets					
Idaho	-	-	11	80	9
Oregon	-	-	20	70	10
Dry edible peas					
Idaho	-	7	48	45	-
Oregon	12	29	32	27	-
Washington.....	-	5	45	48	2

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 07/16/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat headed	95	84	93	90
Winter wheat harvested	5	1	1	5
Barley headed.....	90	78	94	87
Oats headed	82	70	89	82
Dry edible peas harvested	4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	35	15	15	37

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 07/16/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Winter wheat harvested	15	6	2	14
Oats headed	98	93	95	94
Dry edible peas harvested	30	8	2	29
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	51	40	50	59

(NA) Not available.

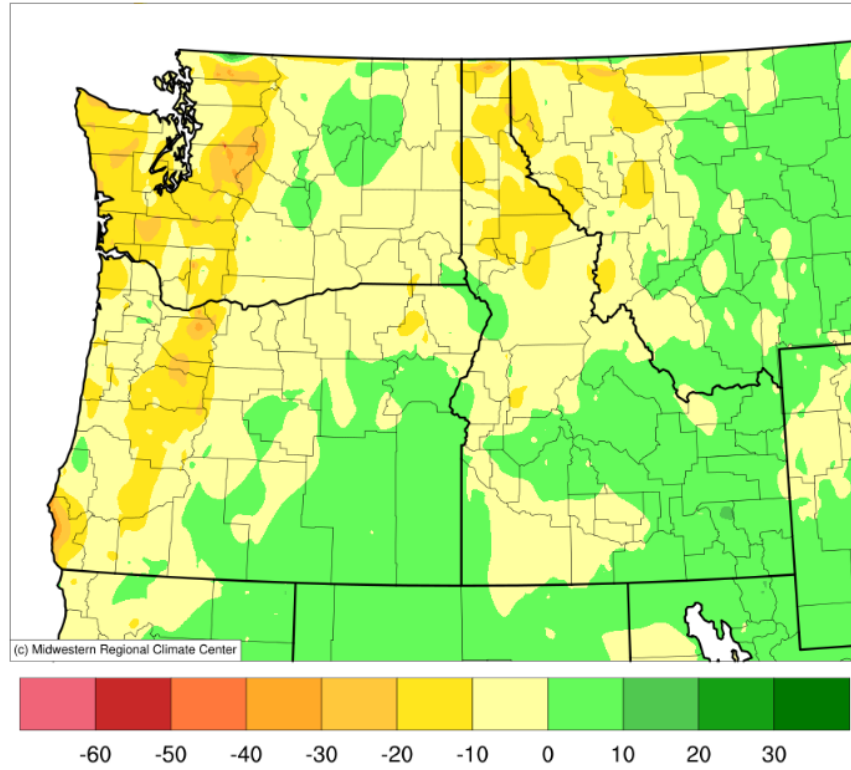
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 07/16/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat harvested	6	1	3	9
Barley harvested	1	(NA)	-	-
Dry edible peas harvested	-	-	3	10
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	50	38	23	62
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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(NA) Not available.

Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

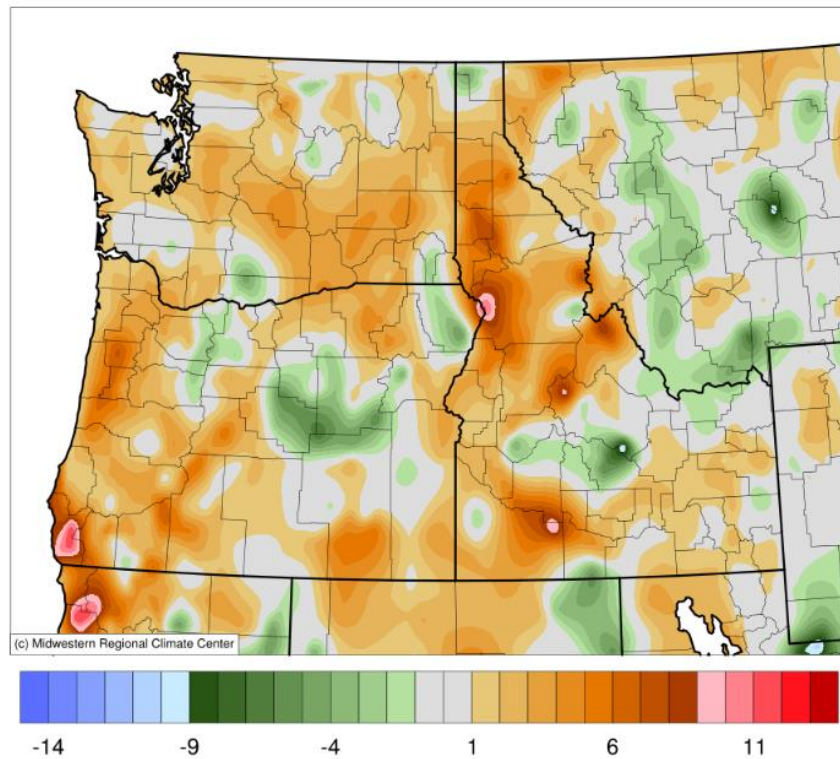
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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

July 10, 2023 to July 16, 2023



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