



# Crop Progress and Condition



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## Warm Temperatures Across Idaho

There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, up from 5.0 days reported the previous week. Idaho had above average temperatures for the week. Jerome and Twin Falls Counties experienced unseasonably warm temperatures that aided harvest and fall work. Corn silage harvest was close to complete. A few acres of fourth and fifth cutting of alfalfa were reported in the windrow. Sugarbeet harvest continued while potato harvest was coming to an end. Corn for grain was observed being harvested. Bannock, Bingham, and Butte Counties experienced warm weather, allowing for a fourth cutting of alfalfa in some fields.

## Scattered Showers and Above Average Temperatures in Oregon

There were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork, unchanged from the previous week. Temperatures were warm, with rain reported in the northwest region of the State. In Polk County, rain was reported that covered the topsoil layer with subsoil moisture still deficient. In Columbia, Multnomah, and Washington Counties, short rain cycles and warm temperatures were reported that helped overwintering agronomic crops and pasture conditions. Horticulture crops continued to be productive but were winding down. Clatsop and Tillamook Counties reported rain. Corn was harvested, and the fields were prepared for the winter forage season. Sherman and Wasco Counties reported great spraying conditions and warm temperatures, which were good for getting seed in the ground. Producers on the north end of the county were finishing seeding, while the south end farmers were still catching up. Cattle producers started to ship cattle out of summer pastures and sorted calves off to be weaned and sold. Umatilla County reported above average temperatures that helped wheat emerge, which was looking quite strong. Growers had the opportunity to control downy brome and winter annual weeds ahead of wheat planting. In Malheur County, conditions were warm and dry, with scattered showers late in the week. Growers made their final hay cutting.

## Fall Seeding Continued in Washington

There were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 6.6 days recorded the previous week. Warm temperatures around the State helped crops grow. Some moisture was reported in central Washington. Klickitat County reported above average temperatures and no killing frosts, which was unusual for this time of year. Cows were still coming out of the mountains, and fall seeding was wrapping up. In Douglas County, cool temperatures and the passing showers helped the soil moisture.

**Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/22/23**

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	5	23	69	3
Oregon.....	17	45	35	3
Washington.....	40	38	21	1
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	3	41	55	1
Oregon.....	31	43	24	2
Washington.....	43	29	28	-

- Represents zero.

**Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/22/23**

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho.....	-	26	36	25	13
Oregon.....	22	27	33	18	-
Washington.....	37	36	13	14	-
Winter wheat					
Washington.....	3	6	30	58	3
Corn					
Idaho.....	-	-	12	87	1
Sugarbeets					
Idaho.....	-	-	12	86	2
Oregon.....	-	-	20	70	10

- Represents zero.

**Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 10/22/23**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	97	84	91	93
Winter wheat emerged.....	55	36	55	59
Potatoes harvested.....	98	90	90	93
Sugarbeets harvested.....	45	31	55	57
Field corn harvested for grain .....	25	20	22	38
Field corn harvested for silage .....	98	90	95	(NA)
Onions harvested .....	95	87	94	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	68	60	82	79

(NA) Not available.

**Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 10/22/23**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	70	54	87	77
Winter wheat emerged.....	32	18	43	34
Potatoes harvested.....	89	77	90	92
Sugarbeets harvested.....	47	37	50	57
Field corn harvested for grain .....	72	61	48	50
Field corn harvested for silage .....	91	81	81	83
Onions harvested .....	95	86	91	(NA)

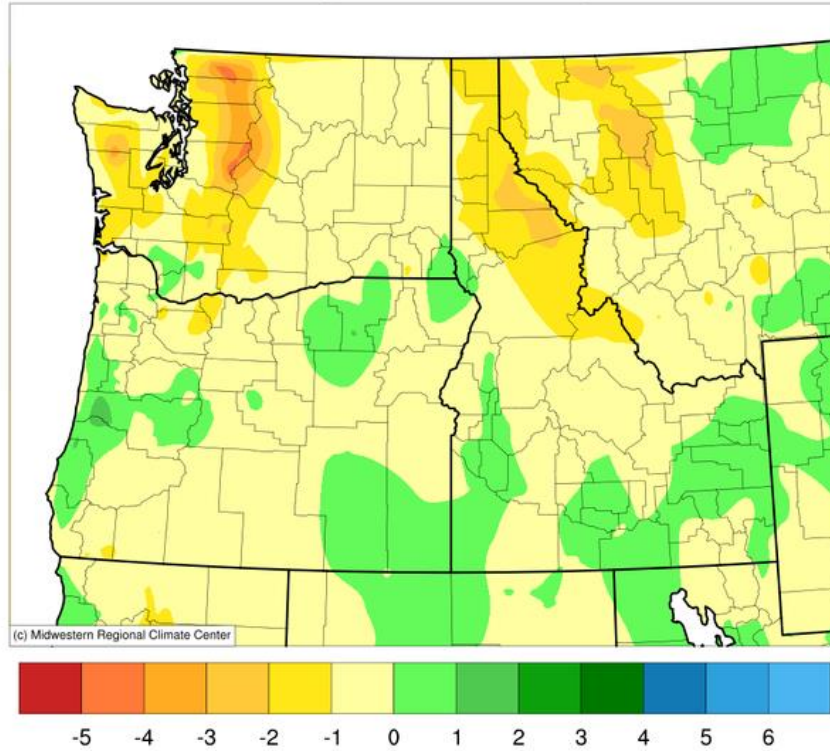
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**Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 10/22/23**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	95	87	94	92
Winter wheat emerged.....	68	61	71	65
Potatoes harvested.....	88	80	86	87
Field corn harvested for grain .....	56	45	54	54
Field corn harvested for silage .....	89	75	87	87
Onions harvested .....	95	92	95	97
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	90	87	83	82

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

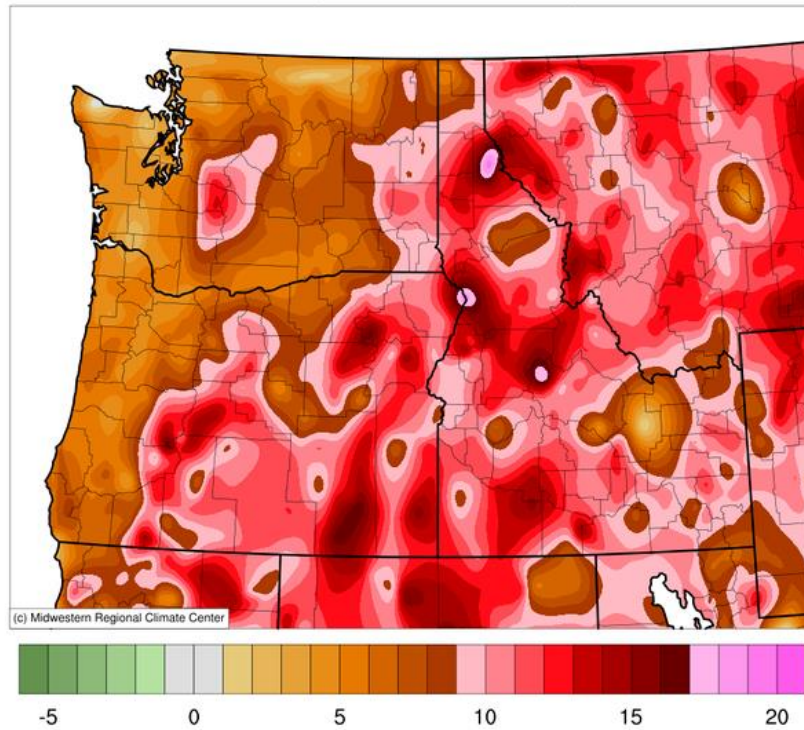
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**Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals**

October 16, 2023 to October 22, 2023



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