



# Crop Progress and Condition



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## Fall Weather in Idaho

There were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 7.0 days the previous week. Statewide, the weather remained warm and dry through most of the week, but there was significant rainfall on Saturday. Producers said the rain and cooler temperatures improved soil moisture and pasture conditions. After the heavy rainfall, producers were preparing for the first frost, ending the growing season. In south central Idaho, a few acres of alfalfa hay and cut beans remained unharvested. In southeast Idaho, producers tried to harvest as much as possible before the upcoming winter storm. Grain corn harvest started.

## Moisture Received in Oregon

There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 7.0 days the previous week. In northwest Oregon, agronomic crops were in the ground ahead of the moisture. In north central Oregon, there was some moisture received in the area and cooler temperatures. Producers tried to finish up seeding their wheat. In southwest Oregon, pasture conditions improved with the rain. In Malheur County, there were good field conditions most of the week. Sugarbeet and corn harvest continued. Rain showers helped improve soil moisture.

## Washington Received Beneficial Moisture

There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 6.7 days reported the previous week. Temperatures continued to remain well above normal throughout most of the week. As the week ended, a more traditional late-October rainy pattern arrived in northwest Washington and spread throughout the State. Weekend precipitation was reported statewide. Wildfire smoke from fires in the central and western parts of the State dissipated. Air quality also improved throughout the region. Temperatures dropped anywhere from 10-20 degrees as Washington received the first significant amount of beneficial moisture in months. Rainfall accumulations ranged from a quarter of an inch to over an inch. Low temperatures hovered around freezing, with 0.5 inches of rain reported in Douglas County. Klickitat County received about a quarter of an inch in the middle of the county, while the east end received about half an inch. Snow fell above 4,000 feet in the Cascade Mountains. Prior to the weather event, good progress was made in the 2022 row crop harvest. Onion harvest wrapped up. Grain corn, silage corn, and potatoes were harvested on a normal schedule. Winter wheat planting wrapped up. The very dry conditions late this summer and early this autumn impacted fall pasture growth and forced many livestock producers to start feeding hay earlier than usual.

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

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	12	40	48	-
Oregon.....	26	47	27	-
Washington.....	18	40	42	-
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	18	37	45	-
Oregon.....	28	39	33	-
Washington.....	14	41	45	-

- Represents zero.

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

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho.....	12	22	35	31	-
Oregon.....	27	22	37	12	2
Washington.....	2	40	36	20	2
Winter wheat					
Washington.....	2	4	26	58	10
Corn					
Idaho.....	-	1	3	83	13
Oregon.....	2	7	29	41	21
Sugarbeets					
Idaho.....	-	-	5	51	44
Oregon.....	-	8	24	60	8

- Represents zero.

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

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	92	83	98	95
Winter wheat emerged.....	57	40	68	63
Potatoes harvested.....	91	85	95	93
Sugarbeets harvested.....	57	43	62	60
Field corn harvested for grain .....	23	15	33	40
Field corn harvested for silage .....	98	80	(NA)	(NA)
Onions harvested .....	95	91	(NA)	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	83	75	84	77

(NA) Not available.

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

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	90	71	68	78
Winter wheat emerged.....	46	23	24	36
Potatoes harvested.....	91	85	94	92
Sugarbeets harvested.....	52	39	49	58
Field corn harvested for grain .....	50	35	56	54
Field corn harvested for silage .....	83	72	89	83
Onions harvested .....	92	85	90	(NA)

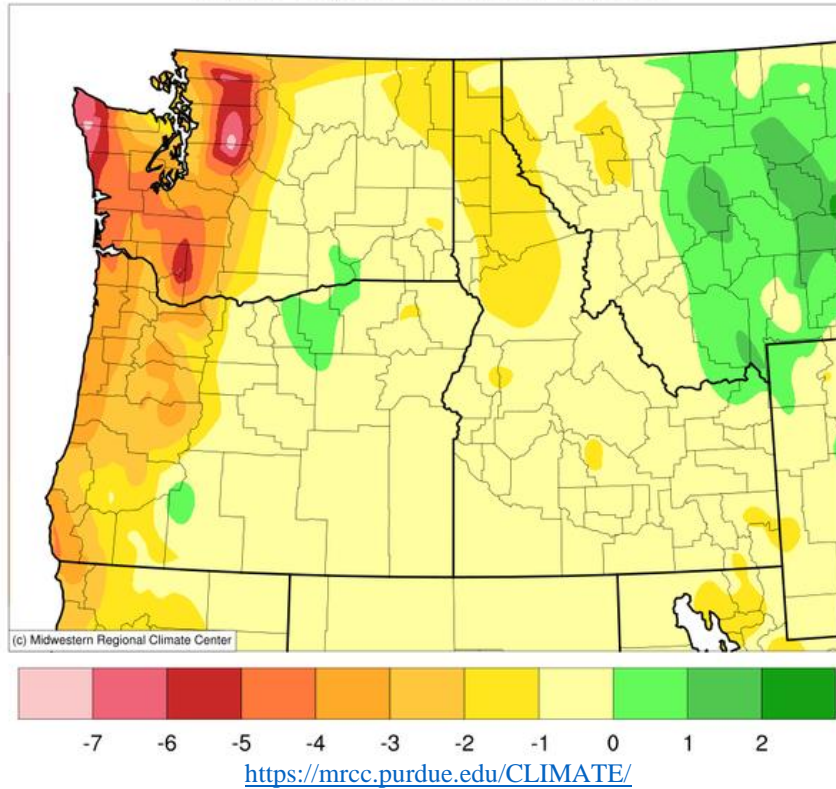
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**Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 10/23/22**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	95	89	96	92
Winter wheat emerged.....	72	64	67	66
Potatoes harvested.....	88	77	88	89
Field corn harvested for grain .....	56	41	57	56
Field corn harvested for silage .....	89	74	84	89
Onions harvested .....	95	92	96	98
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	84	77	85	84

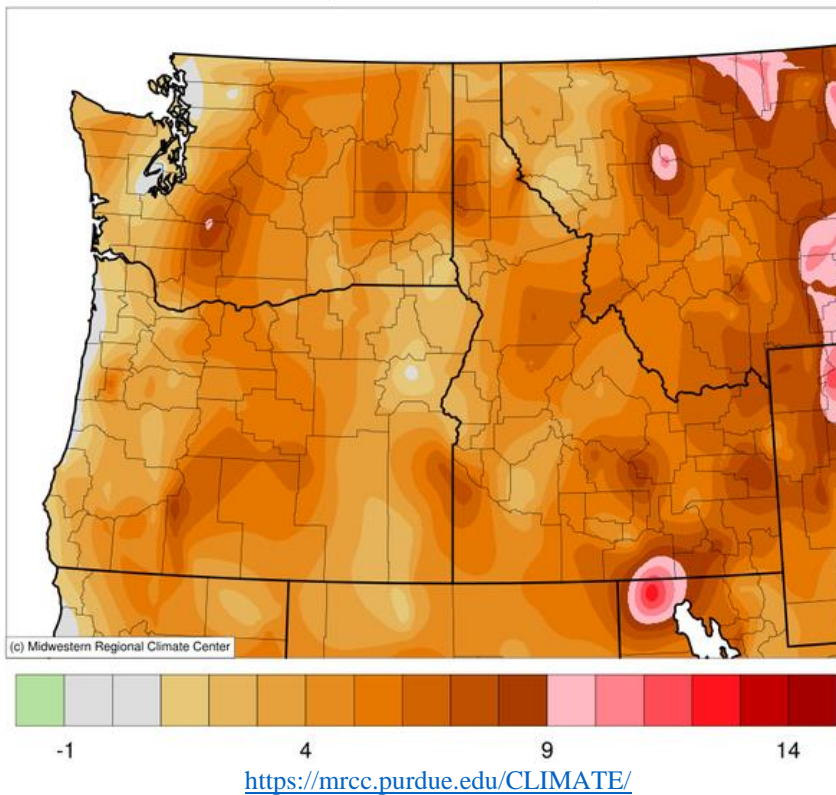
**Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals**

October 01, 2022 to October 23, 2022



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

October 17, 2022 to October 23, 2022



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