



Crop Progress and Condition



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Mostly Warm and Dry in Idaho with a Few Rain Showers

There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, a decrease from 6.3 days the previous week. Temperatures were warmer throughout Idaho compared to the previous week. South central Idaho experienced warm and dry weather, except for a brief shower Tuesday morning. Early potatoes were vine killed and rolled. Several potato fields had vines start to die. Cereal grain harvest was underway, with alfalfa being planted back into some of those acres. The fourth cutting of alfalfa had started in some areas. The northern panhandle of Idaho experienced high temperatures throughout the region. Clark, Fremont, and Madison Counties saw early rains that slowed field progress for the week.

Small Grain Crop Harvest Wrapping Up in Oregon

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, up from 6.9 days reported the previous week. Temperatures were moderate with dry conditions. The northwest region of Oregon reported good weather for irrigated crops. Fields were hayed or worked for fall planting. Corn was in the tassel stage and growing well. Small agronomic patches remained unharvested. Lincoln County submitted a state of emergency request due to drought, and fire danger was high throughout the county. The north central region was starting to wrap up harvest. In Malheur County, wheat harvest neared completion. Early season potato harvest started. Growers harvested brassica seed crops and began seeding next year's crop. Pasture and livestock water conditions remained good in southern Oregon despite the warmer daytime temperatures.

Precipitation and Harvest in Washington

There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 7.0 days reported the previous week. Western Washington felt continued drought conditions. Thurston and Lewis Counties received a moderate amount of rain. Producers reported stress on their corn crops. Central Washington experienced a very hot and dry week. Pasture had no regrowth, so ranchers looked for places to go with their animals. In Yakima County, rainy weather dropped some precipitation. Daytime high temperatures steadily increased during the week from the lower 80s to the lower 90s. Tree fruit growers harvested peaches and nectarines. Apple growers propped trees with a heavy crop load and moved harvest bins into the orchards. Early maturing apple varieties, like Gala, started to come into the packing houses. In the orchards, many growers put down color up fabric and sprayed crop protectants to assist in fruit color development. Vegetable growers started to plow under fields of squash and melons that had peaked in production. Vegetable stands were loaded with fresh tomatoes, cucumbers, eggplants, peppers, onions, summer squashes, green beans, and sweet corn. Light green cones were seen against the darker green canopy of most hop crops. In east central Washington, heavy rains were felt in areas, which slowed harvest and improved soil moisture conditions. Northeast Washington experienced very dry conditions, although some areas received precipitation. Wheat harvest was well underway. Southeast Washington dealt with scattered showers that slowed harvest in some areas.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/13/23

Item and State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	6	39	55	-
Oregon.....	46	29	24	1
Washington.....	54	32	14	-
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	2	41	56	1
Oregon.....	36	37	26	1
Washington.....	46	32	22	-

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/13/23

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	-	15	35	31	19
Oregon	3	18	55	17	7
Washington.....	14	37	35	14	-
Winter wheat					
Idaho	-	12	36	50	2
Spring wheat					
Idaho	-	8	30	58	4
Washington.....	5	32	36	25	2
Barley					
Idaho	-	4	19	73	4
Washington.....	1	15	46	38	-
Oats					
Idaho	-	-	14	85	1
Oregon	3	12	52	30	3
Potatoes					
Idaho	-	2	15	76	7
Oregon	-	-	28	55	17
Washington.....	-	1	59	26	14
Corn					
Idaho	-	-	9	89	2
Oregon	2	1	23	64	10
Washington.....	-	6	45	37	12
Dry edible beans					
Idaho	-	16	42	42	-
Washington.....	-	15	40	38	7
Onions					
Idaho	-	-	5	85	10
Oregon	-	5	26	60	9
Washington.....	-	1	40	59	-
Sugarbeets					
Idaho	-	-	12	83	5
Oregon	-	-	20	70	10
Dry edible peas					
Idaho	-	13	48	39	-
Washington.....	-	18	44	38	-

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 08/13/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	6	4	13	29
Winter wheat harvested	49	31	27	55
Barley harvested	6	4	27	37
Oats harvested	6	4	12	39
Potatoes harvested	1	-	1	3
Dry edible peas harvested	49	31	42	28
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	92	88	87	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	30	13	18	33

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 08/13/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	90	68	38	55
Winter wheat harvested	94	90	79	85
Barley harvested	86	60	37	56
Oats harvested	64	37	35	52
Potatoes harvested	14	10	20	26
Dry edible peas harvested	98	82	81	88
Onions harvested.....	7	3	6	8
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	48	33	42	45

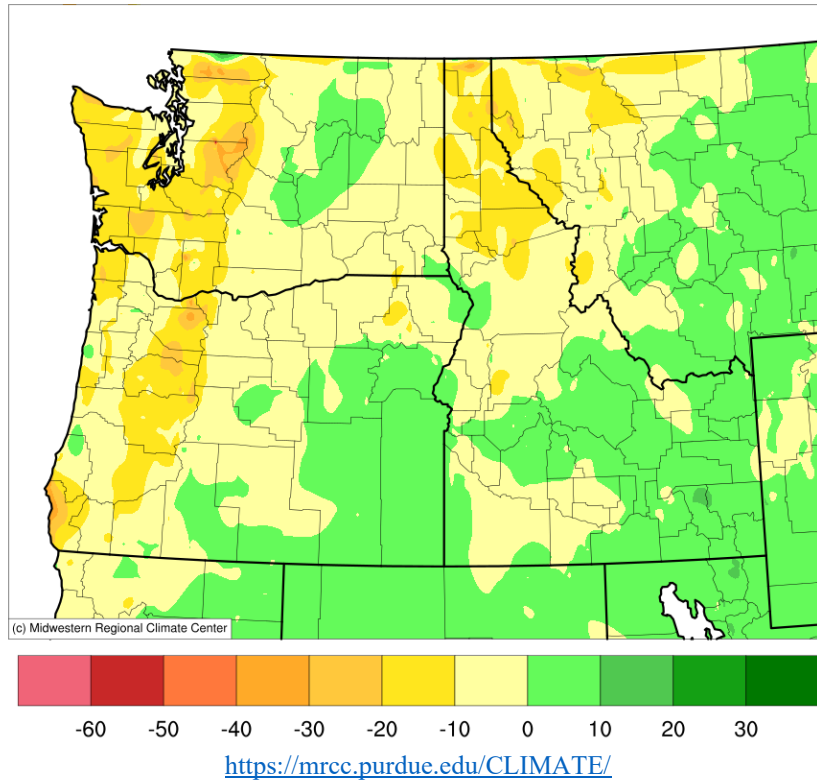
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 08/13/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	30	19	13	32
Winter wheat harvested	70	57	42	66
Barley harvested	35	20	23	38
Potatoes harvested	9	7	7	18
Dry edible peas harvested	28	20	37	58
Onions harvested.....	6	4	5	15
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	95	91	89	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	41	31	13	50

(NA) Not available.

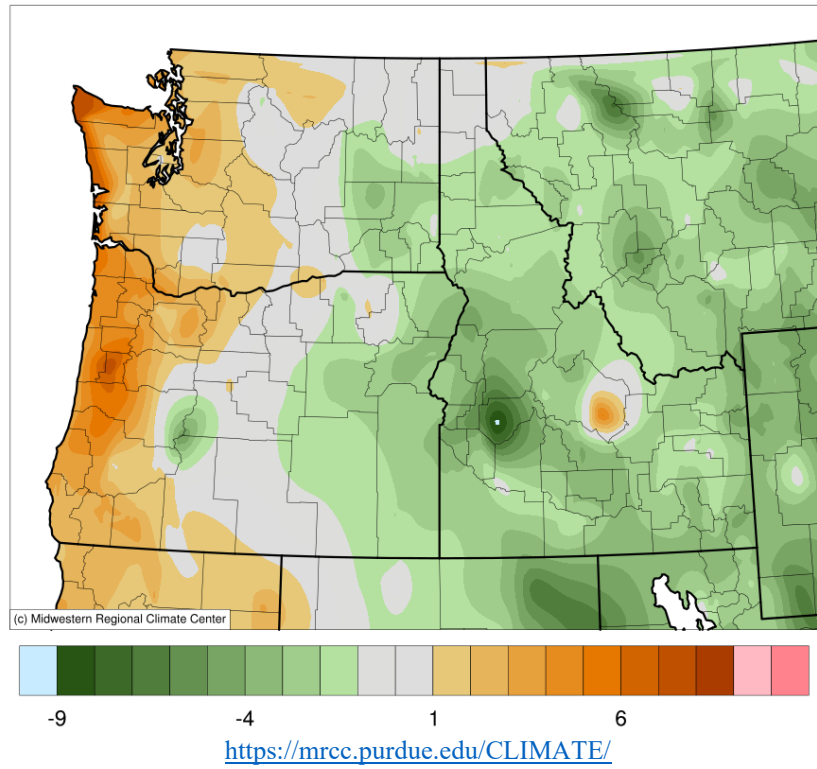
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2022 to August 13, 2023



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

August 07, 2023 to August 13, 2023



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