

Crop Progress and Condition



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Cooler Temperatures and Moisture for Idaho

There were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, an increase from 5.8 days the previous week. Temperatures were below average to warmer than average throughout Idaho. Jerome and Twin Falls Counties started early sugarbeet harvest. Strong winds and rain during the week hurt the alfalfa harvest. Temperatures were cooler for the week in Elmore and Owyhee Counties. Favorable conditions for winter wheat planting were observed. Irrigation water was anticipated to be available later in the season than normal. Eastern Idaho received significant rainfall, which slowed harvest activities across the region.

Cooler Weather in Oregon

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, up from 5.4 days the previous week. Temperatures were mild to moderate, with scattered showers in the northwest region. Columbia, Multnomah, and Washington Counties reported grass seed was planted for seed and pasture, despite the scattered showers. Irrigated crops were doing well. Clatsop and Tillamook Counties reported little precipitation. Fields were being mowed and hayed, and corn harvest had not begun yet. In north central Oregon, producers prepared fields for seeding and sprayed other fields for weeds. The north central region did not receive any precipitation. Umatilla County reported dry conditions, and early sown winter wheat had begun to emerge in some fields, but it was still too early to tell if the stands were acceptable. The late season summer annual weeds were a problem in some summer fallow fields. Malheur County reported dry conditions that were good for fieldwork and onion curing. Growers began to transition to harvesting storage onions. Grain and silage corn harvest began.

Continued Harvest in Washington

There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, up from 5.8 days reported the previous week. Western Washington conditions were dry, and farmers made good time on harvest. Central Washington had consistent weather across the week, with daytime highs in the upper 70s to lower 80s. In Yakima County, dry conditions persisted. Apple harvest continued with Gala, Honeycrisp, and some Red Delicious varieties. A few more Bartlett pears came in as growers started putting harvest bins in the winter pear orchards. Hop harvest continued to pick up. Sweet corn, tomatoes, peppers, summer and winter squashes were also harvested. Northeast Washington neared the end of harvest for the area. Some canola was still harvested, and field preparation started for fall planting. Southeast Washington experienced spotty thunderstorms with rain in some locations but felt continued drought conditions otherwise.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/10/23

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	3 36 46	27 33 35	66 30 19	4 1 -
Subsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington		34 42 31	62 27 24	2 1 -

⁻ Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/10/23

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range Idaho Oregon Washington	1 10 23	16 30 31	42 39 28	25 17 18	16 4 -
Potatoes Idaho Oregon Washington	1 - -	4 - -	21 29 56	70 53 30	4 18 14
Corn Idaho Oregon Washington	- 1 -	- 1 6	6 25 40	90 61 38	4 12 16
Dry edible beans Idaho Washington	- -	16 15	43 41	38 35	3 9
Onions Idaho Oregon Washington	- -	- 6 -	1 19 38	90 64 62	9 11 -
Sugarbeets Idaho Oregon	-	-	6 20	89 70	5 10

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 09/10/23

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year	
	week	week	year	average	
Spring wheat harvested	76	63	84	89	
Winter wheat planted	10	1	10	10	
Winter wheat harvested	98	93	95	99	
Barley harvested	83	71	87	93	
Oats harvested	77	65	78	86	
Potatoes harvested	11	7	10	14	
Sugarbeets harvested	1	(NA)	-	4	
Field corn harvested for silage	16	10	3	15	
Dry edible beans harvested	27	13	5	33	
Onions harvested	10	2	16	33	
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	87	76	80	80	
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	18	13	21	31	

⁻ Represents zero. (NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 09/10/23

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year	
	week	week	year	average	
Winter wheat planted	7	-	5	7	
Oats harvested	97	93	91	(NA)	
Potatoes harvested	38	34	46	48	
Field corn harvested for grain	3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
Field corn harvested for silage	8	-	3	11	
Onions harvested	22	16	25	32	
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	94	85	87	85	

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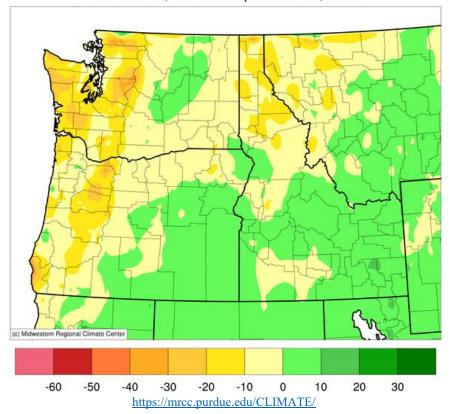
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 09/10/23

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year	
	week	week	year	average	
Spring wheat harvested	95	83	90	88	
Winter wheat planted	29	9	23	33	
Winter wheat emerged	4	(NA)	-	2	
Barley harvested	95	82	86	87	
Potatoes harvested	35	30	37	36	
Field corn harvested for silage	8	1	16	19	
Dry edible beans harvested	30	15	26	46	
Dry edible peas harvested	85	71	81	85	
Onions harvested	32	27	35	49	
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	86	82	68	82	
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	36	27	-	25	

- Represents zero. (NA) Not available.

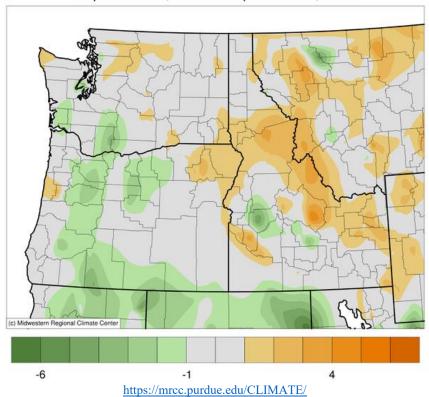
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2022 to September 10, 2023



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

September 04, 2023 to September 10, 2023





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