

Crop Progress and Condition



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Temperatures Varied Across Idaho

There were 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, down from 5.4 days reported the previous week. Central Idaho had below average temperatures for the week, while northern Idaho saw slightly warmer temperatures. Elmore and Owyhee Counties experienced cool temperatures, which slowed winter wheat emergence. Fremont, Madison, and Teton Counties experienced some frost and snow. Pastures looked good, with most other crops finished growing.

Wet Week in Oregon

There were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 6.2 days reported the previous week. Temperatures were mild, with rain reported throughout the State. In Columbia, Multnomah, and Washington Counties, rain created good conditions for agronomic crops, while horticulture crops were winding down for the winter. Clatsop and Tillamook Counties reported rain. A few corn fields were left to harvest. In Gilliam, Hood River, and Wasco Counties, rain was reported, but as the wind picked up, everything dried up behind it. In Umatilla County, fall planting was on track with moist seedbeds for planting dryland wheat fields. Winter canola was doing well. In Malheur County, early showers paused field activities. Potato, onion, sugarbeet, and corn harvests continued. Late season hay harvest continued with good weather persisting. Most deliveries of irrigation water were completed for the year.

Row Crop Harvest Progressed in Nice Autumn Weather

There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 6.8 days recorded the previous week. Warm temperatures helped farmers with fall-planted grains. Farmers also made progress harvesting remaining row crops like potatoes, corn, and onions. Fall moisture was reported in several parts of western and southern Washington. Klickitat County reported rain last week. No killing frost was reported yet this fall, so pastures were still greening up. Grass was green, but not growing very high, which helped preserve hay stocks. Tractors were still in the fields disking up stubble and planting fall forage crops. More typical fall weather was reported in northeast Washington. Colder morning temperatures were reported. Fall planting wrapped up for most producers. Several livestock producers reported feeding cattle at this point, but the hay crop did well.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/15/23

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	5 20 46	20 47 35	70 30 18	5 3 1
Subsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	3 29 46	43 43 28	53 26 26	1 2 -

⁻ Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/15/23

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Pasture and range Idaho Oregon Washington		20 28 29	38 34 17	25 17 11	16 - -	
Winter wheat Washington	3	9	32	52	4	
Corn Idaho Washington		- 1	12 42	86 42	2 15	
Sugarbeets Idaho Oregon	- -	- -	14 20	84 70	2 10	

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 10/15/23

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average	
Winter wheat planted	84	70	81	84	
Winter wheat emerged	36	20	38	46	
Potatoes harvested		74	83	87	
Sugarbeets harvested		18	41	43	
Field corn harvested for grain	20	18	13	29	
Field corn harvested for silage	90	85	78	89	
Dry edible beans harvested	98	93	94	94	
Onions harvested	87	69	88	94	
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	60	55	73	74	

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 10/15/23

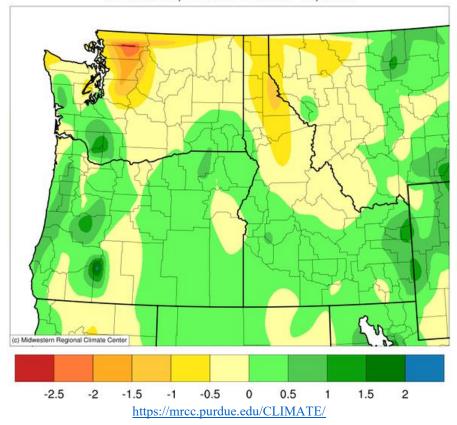
	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year	
	week	week	year	average	
Winter wheat planted Winter wheat emerged Potatoes harvested Sugarbeets harvested Field corn harvested for grain Field corn harvested for silage Onions harvested	54	41	68	62	
	18	14	21	22	
	77	70	84	86	
	37	31	36	43	
	61	51	33	38	
	81	68	70	74	
	86	70	83	83	

Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 10/15/23

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average	
Winter wheat planted Winter wheat emerged Potatoes harvested Field corn harvested for grain Field corn harvested for silage Onions harvested	80 45	77 49 69 39 61 83	88 61 75 40 74 90	86 56 77 42 79	
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting		81	75	76	

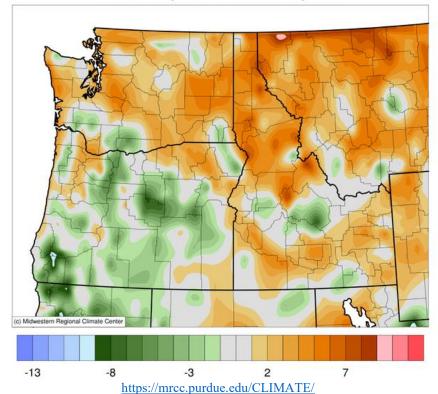
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2023 to October 15, 2023



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

October 09, 2023 to October 15, 2023





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