



# Crop Progress and Condition



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## Cool and Dry in Idaho

There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, down from 6.8 days the previous week. Idaho experienced cooler than usual temperatures for this time of year, with slight precipitation scattered throughout the State. Idaho County reported harvest wrapped up, and fall fieldwork began. Pastures were dried up. Elmore and Owyhee Counties reported a substantial amount of smoke from forest fires impacted the local air quality. Potato and dry bean harvests ramped up in Jerome County. Cereal grain harvest neared completion. Teton County reported some minor frost in the valley.

## Crop Harvest Continued in Oregon

There were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, up from 6.3 days the previous week. With hot and dry conditions in Columbia, Multnomah, and Washington Counties, irrigation was the key for most crops yet to be harvested to prevent damage. Nursery crops required focused attention. Most small fruits had completed harvest. Silage corn continued growing in Clatsop and Tillamook Counties. Field conditions were great for mowing, haying, irrigation management, fertigation, and hay baling. Sparse precipitation complimented moderate to hot conditions during the day with cooler evening and nighttime temperatures. Hood River, Sherman, Wasco, and Gilliam Counties experienced cool mornings, which gave way to hot days. While some thunderstorms rolled through the area, rain was still a missing piece. Spring and winter wheat harvest was almost complete, and operations prepared to plant winter wheat. Wheeler County also reported preparations for winter wheat planting, while thunderstorms lacked significant rain. Malheur County experienced minor crop damage caused by a large storm with strong winds. Onion and potato harvest continued as seed crops, silage, and dry bean harvests ramped up. Fall alfalfa seeding continued.

## Fall Planting Underway in Washington

There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, up from 6.3 days the previous week. Washington did not receive much precipitation last week. Temperatures were warmer than usual in western Washington, but cooler than normal in eastern Washington. Western Washington reported drier conditions than normal, and irrigation was needed to keep crops going. Yakima County reported that the Gala apple harvest was well underway, with other early maturing apples also coming into the packinghouse. Vegetables were available at farmers markets, including green beans, sweet corn, cucumbers, tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, zucchini, summer squashes, winter squashes, and melons. Hop and Bartlett pear harvest started as well. In northeast Washington, the lack of rain started showing in pastures and perennial crops. Harvest was wrapping up, and farmers prepared for fall planting. East central and southeast Washington both saw a dry week.

### Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/01/24

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	16	47	36	1
Oregon.....	29	47	23	1
Washington.....	25	39	36	-
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	16	43	40	1
Oregon.....	25	48	27	-
Washington.....	27	37	36	-

- Represents zero.

### Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/01/24

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho.....	8	30	18	33	11
Oregon.....	39	22	20	16	3
Washington.....	7	59	18	16	-
Spring wheat					
Idaho.....	1	12	31	54	2
Oats					
Idaho.....	1	1	32	66	-
Potatoes					
Idaho.....	-	2	13	79	6
Oregon.....	1	6	40	41	12
Washington.....	-	4	17	72	7
Corn					
Idaho.....	-	1	7	89	3
Oregon.....	-	6	31	47	16
Washington.....	-	6	18	68	8
Dry edible beans					
Idaho.....	-	5	16	79	-
Washington.....	2	11	44	43	-
Onions					
Idaho.....	-	-	9	72	19
Oregon.....	3	9	31	38	19
Sugarbeets					
Idaho.....	-	-	13	84	3
Oregon.....	-	1	38	43	18

- Represents zero.

**Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 09/01/24**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	77	43	58	71
Winter wheat planted .....	4	1	1	2
Winter wheat harvested .....	97	90	90	92
Barley harvested.....	81	51	64	78
Oats harvested .....	72	41	59	71
Potatoes harvested.....	10	8	6	7
Field corn harvested for silage .....	8	1	8	4
Dry edible beans harvested .....	11	4	13	16
Dry edible peas harvested .....	93	73	97	(NA)
Onions harvested .....	23	16	1	16
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	88	69	69	66
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	12	5	11	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

**Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 09/01/24**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	95	87	(NA)	(NA)
Winter wheat planted .....	1	-	-	3
Barley harvested.....	91	85	(NA)	(NA)
Oats harvested .....	93	76	89	85
Potatoes harvested.....	43	30	33	39
Field corn harvested for silage .....	7	1	-	4
Onions harvested .....	31	20	15	21
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	90	75	82	81

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

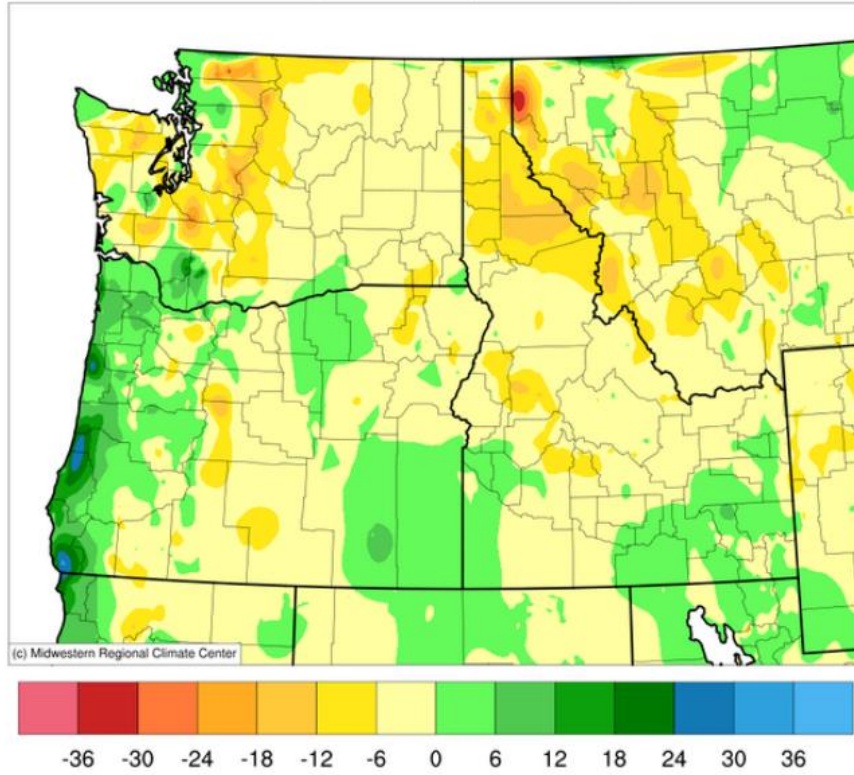
**Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 09/01/24**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	86	75	82	75
Winter wheat planted .....	22	8	8	15
Barley harvested.....	87	76	81	76
Potatoes harvested.....	32	24	28	31
Field corn harvested for silage .....	7	5	1	3
Dry edible beans harvested .....	21	10	12	23
Dry edible peas harvested .....	83	70	68	73
Onions harvested .....	60	55	24	33
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	81	77	81	73
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	29	23	26	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

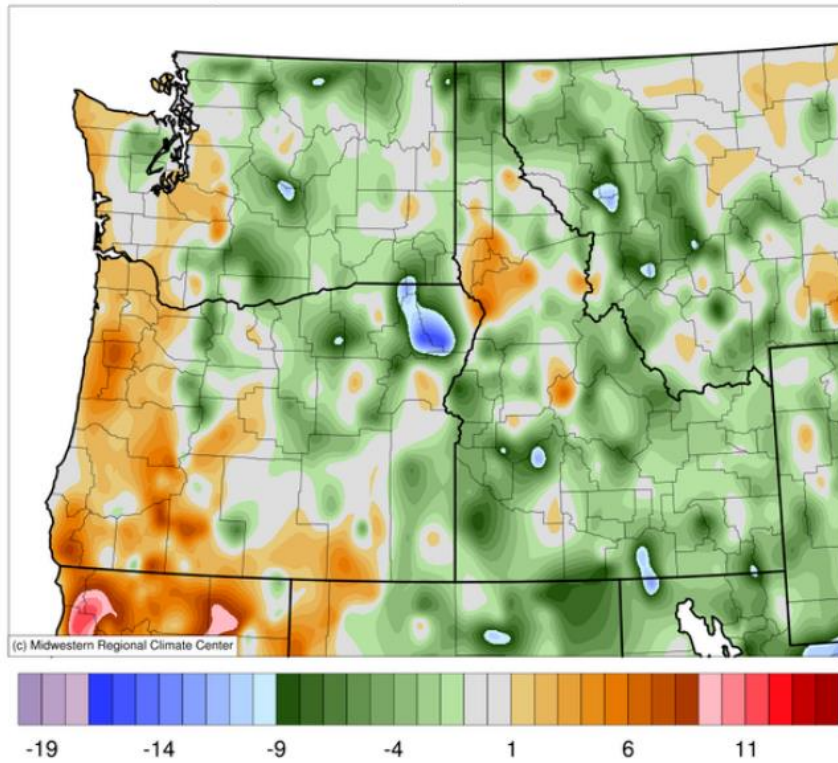
**Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals**

October 01, 2023 to September 01, 2024



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

August 26, 2024 to September 01, 2024



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