



Crop Progress and Condition



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More Thunderstorms Reported in Idaho

There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, up from 6.3 days the previous week. Idaho experienced average temperatures for this time of year with some variations. Bonneville and Teton Counties reported thunderstorms briefly halting fieldwork, but drought pressures remained despite the influx in moisture. Jerome and Twin Falls Counties reported that the potato harvest had begun. Dry edible beans started to change color. Cereal grain harvest was wrapping up, and alfalfa hay harvest progressed. Other notable activities included fall tillage work and planting new alfalfa seedings.

Cooler Conditions in Oregon Helped Crops

There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, down from 7.0 days the previous week. Columbia, Multnomah, and Washington Counties experienced milder weather, which helped most crops. Irrigation was still a key facet for many crops. Preparations for fall plantings of agronomic crops were underway. Clatsop and Tillamook Counties reported multiple precipitation events with unseasonably cool nighttime temperatures. Field activities included irrigation, mowing, haying, and baling. Corn crops were in the ear stage and had positive development. Several producers were still harvesting in Hood River, Gilliam, Sherman, and Wasco Counties. Grain conditions remained favorable with the cool temperatures. However, it was still relatively dry in this area. In Malheur County, onion harvest was in full swing, and silage corn harvest was ready to start. Wheat fields were being watered back as haying continued amidst periodic thunderstorms. Dry bean harvest continued. It was still dry in Wheeler County as the nights began to get chilly after relatively hot days.

Washington Cooled Off and Received Rain

There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 7.0 days the previous week. Washington experienced cooler than average temperatures for this time of year, with the State also receiving rain. Columbia and Walla Walla Counties reported that all winter wheat was harvested with favorable yields. The spring crops were only in fair condition because they did not get enough water. Yakima County reported that the severity of wildfires and air quality was much better this week. Vegetable harvest was at its peak, with sweet corn, cucumbers, peppers, tomatoes, summer squashes, and melons available in roadside stands throughout the county. Harvest crews brought in peaches, nectarines, plums, and prunes. Apple harvest started in earnest with the earlier maturing varieties. Growers laid down color-up products on orchard floors. Bartlett pear harvest started as well. Hop cones were forming and turned a light green color. Small grain harvest was almost done in most areas of Pend Oreille and Spokane Counties. Preparations for fall planting began for many producers. Douglas County reported thunderstorms, which helped improve moisture conditions. Producers started seeding winter wheat.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/25/24

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	22	46	32	-
Oregon.....	34	43	22	1
Washington.....	22	42	36	-
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	17	47	36	-
Oregon.....	30	42	28	-
Washington.....	24	39	37	-

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/25/24

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho.....	9	26	22	30	13
Oregon.....	47	17	15	18	3
Washington.....	4	56	24	16	-
Spring wheat					
Idaho.....	1	10	30	56	3
Barley					
Idaho.....	1	4	15	76	4
Oats					
Idaho.....	1	1	32	66	-
Potatoes					
Idaho.....	1	3	13	76	7
Oregon.....	1	5	45	37	12
Washington.....	-	3	17	74	6
Corn					
Idaho.....	-	-	6	88	6
Oregon.....	1	6	36	41	16
Washington.....	-	4	20	71	5
Dry edible beans					
Idaho.....	-	2	19	79	-
Washington.....	-	6	48	46	-
Onions					
Idaho.....	-	-	10	70	20
Oregon.....	3	9	29	39	20
Washington.....	-	4	19	77	-
Sugarbeets					
Idaho.....	-	-	14	82	4
Oregon.....	-	-	40	40	20

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 08/25/24

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	43	24	39	52
Winter wheat planted	1	(NA)	-	-
Winter wheat harvested	90	72	79	81
Barley harvested.....	51	37	41	60
Oats harvested	41	20	38	57
Potatoes harvested.....	8	5	3	5
Field corn harvested for silage	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested	4	1	10	9
Dry edible peas harvested	73	58	89	70
Onions harvested	16	12	-	8
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	69	45	50	53
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	5	(NA)	6	(NA)

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 08/25/24

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	87	72	96	82
Winter wheat harvested	97	89	100	97
Barley harvested.....	85	68	97	83
Oats harvested	76	55	78	74
Potatoes harvested.....	30	23	26	33
Field corn harvested for silage	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Onions harvested	20	15	12	16
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	75	68	71	72

(NA) Not available.

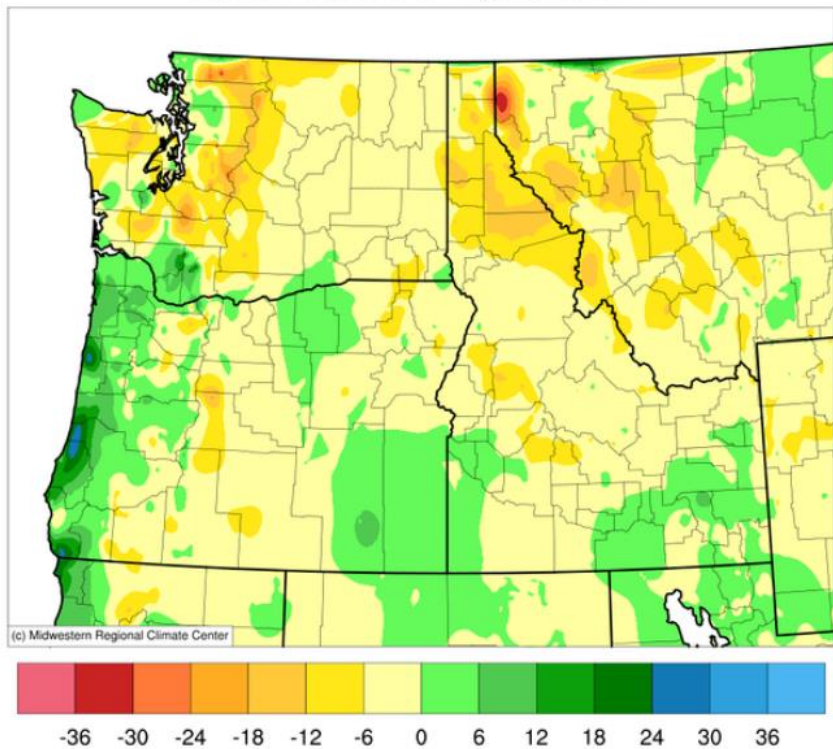
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 08/25/24

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	75	52	71	62
Winter wheat planted	8	-	6	7
Winter wheat harvested	95	85	92	88
Barley harvested.....	76	59	72	65
Potatoes harvested.....	24	19	20	26
Field corn harvested for silage	5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested	10	3	4	12
Dry edible peas harvested	70	54	57	65
Onions harvested	55	19	17	26
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	77	50	71	63
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	23	11	22	(NA)

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

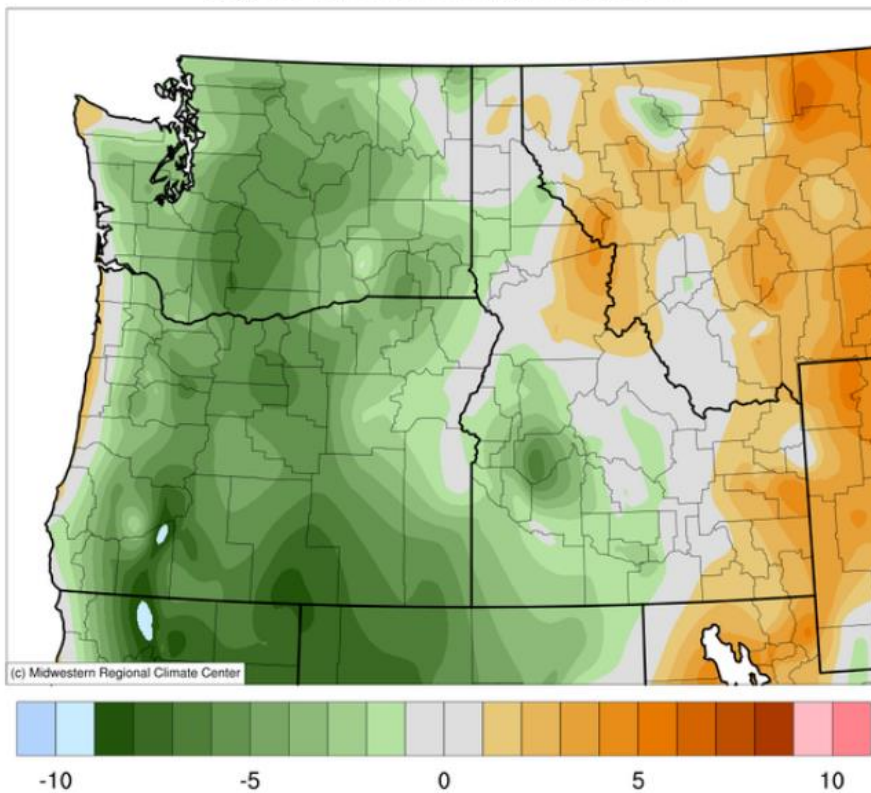
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2023 to August 25, 2024



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

August 19, 2024 to August 25, 2024



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