

Crop Progress and Condition

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Idaho Grain Harvest Progressed in Hot and Dry Weather

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork, unchanged from the previous week. Statewide, temperatures were warmer than normal and dry conditions were reported. Soil moisture and pasture conditions degraded slightly. Smoke from wildfires were reported in several parts of Idaho. Good small grains harvest progress was reported across the State. Row crops harvest was slow to ramp up. South central Idaho experienced some of the hottest weather of the year last week, with several days over 100 degrees. Temperatures cooled off later in the week to more seasonal numbers. Dry beans and corn silage harvests started. Lots of fourth cutting of alfalfa was on the ground. Potatoes were coming out. Early sugarbeet harvest was anticipated to start soon. Hot, dry, and smoky conditions were reported in Lemhi County. Teton County reported freezing temperatures Friday night, which impacted some diversified crop producers.

Fire Danger in Oregon

There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 6.8 days the previous week. In northwest Oregon, the weather was hot, dry, and windy. This combination created fire risks and curtailed field operations in some areas. The corn was fully tasseled, and barley was sprayed for weeds. In north central Oregon, there was wind and fire danger. Producers were getting their fields prepared for fall grain seeding. Smoke and haze limited outdoor activity. In northeast Oregon, wheat planting began in the driest areas. Conditions were hot with winds. In southwest Oregon, there were hot, dry, and windy conditions. Many fires sparked around the region. Pasture conditions also declined. In Malheur County, corn silage harvest started, and alfalfa was cut. Dry bean and onion harvest continued. Cooler temperatures improved conditions for onion curing. High elevation range was in good condition. In Lake County, a storm brought dry lightning and high winds, which resulted in fires in the area.

Hot, Dry, and Smoky Conditions Present Throughout Washington

There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 7.0 days the previous week. Statewide temperatures were above normal throughout Washington. In western Washington, conditions remained extremely dry. Harvest continued for late variety blueberries and apples. Seed crops were prepared for harvest. In central Washington, morning dews began. Apple and pear harvests were running a couple of weeks late. Douglas County reported rain on Sunday with soil crusting concerns for newly planted winter wheat fields. In Klickitat County, another dry and hot week was present. Wheat harvest was wrapping up across the county. Cows were still on mountain pastures. In Yakima County, apple harvest ramped up with field crews picking Gala apples and other early maturing varieties. Vegetable harvest was also in full swing, with various tomatoes, peppers, melons, and squashes present in farmers markets. Mechanical harvest of the hop bines continued. Over the past week, the smoke became increasingly noticeable as the air quality deteriorated. In northeast Washington, conditions were dry and smoky throughout the area.



Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/11/22

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Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	9 24 20	47 49 42	44 27 38	
Subsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington		38 40 30	47 38 59	-

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/11/22

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	6	25	32	24	13
Oregon	20	24	41	14	1
Washington	4	16	28	50	2
Potatoes					
Idaho	-	2	10	73	15
Oregon	1	4	35	38	22
Washington	2	4	21	68	5
Corn					
Idaho	-	1	4	85	10
Oregon	2	7	30	39	22
Washington	1	5	21	71	2
Dry edible beans					
Ídaho	-	12	46	40	2
Washington	1	2	16	76	5
Onions					
Idaho	-	-	2	95	3
Oregon	-	8	35	33	24
Washington	1	2	72	20	5
Sugarbeets					
Idaho	-	-	15	53	32
Oregon	-	10	30	50	10

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 09/11/22

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average	
Spring wheat harvested	86	74	94	92	
Winter wheat planted	12	1	15	10	
Winter wheat harvested	96	91	100	100	
Barley harvested	89	78	95	95	
Oats harvested	80	65	89	88	
Potatoes harvested	10	8	16	15	
Sugarbeets harvested	-	-	9	6	
Field corn harvested for silage	3	1	21	17	
Dry edible beans harvested	6	2	58	47	
Dry edible peas harvested	86	69	(NA)	(NA)	
Onions harvested	16	14	38	36	
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	84	58	84	81	
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	24	6	45	34	

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 09/11/22

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average	
Spring wheat harvested	96	91	(NA)	(NA)	
Winter wheat planted	5	3	4	6	
Barley harvested	94	89	(NA)	(NA)	
Oats harvested	92	87	(NA)	(NA)	
Potatoes harvested	47	42	56	47	
Field corn harvested for silage	3	2	36	13	
Onions harvested	26	19	33	33	
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	87	85	95	84	

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 09/11/22

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year	
	week	week	year	average	
Spring wheat harvested	92	77	98	90	
Winter wheat planted	26	7	51	34	
Winter wheat harvested		93	98	98	
Barley harvested	88	76	99	88	
Potatoes harvested	38	30	44	38	
Field corn harvested for silage	18	6	25	19	
Dry edible beans harvested	29	8	78	53	
Dry edible peas harvested	83	71	89	88	
Onions harvested	36	27	43	56	
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	69	60	85	86	
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	-	-	29	33	

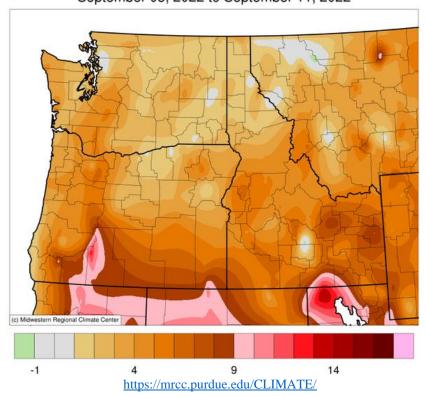
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Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

-60 -50 -40 -30 -20 -10 0 10 20 30 40 50 https://mrcc.purdue.edu/CLIMATE/

October 01, 2021 to September 11, 2022

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals September 05, 2022 to September 11, 2022



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