



IDAHO CROP WEATHER

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Long Summer Days Aid Crop Progress

Agricultural Summary

Idaho sweet cherries are undergoing harvest, and small grains remain in good condition. Active Idaho weather stations reported no rain for the state since last Sunday, with temperatures ranging from 4 degrees cooler than average in Northern Idaho to 4 degrees warmer in Southwestern Idaho. Temperatures statewide ranged from 78 to 99 degree highs and 35 to 51 degree lows.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Caribou County livestock look good, and hay stands progressed rapidly last week, according to Extension Educators. Some uncut first stands were damaged by alfalfa weevil feeding, according to the Caribou County Extension Educator. Franklin County second cutting alfalfa is undergoing chemical applications to control their local alfalfa weevil populations. No problems were reported for Idaho's summer-pastured livestock.

Field Crop Report

Overall, Idaho's crops are progressing nicely during the long days around summer solstice. Southwestern Idaho sweet cherry growers are harvesting a nice late crop in Canyon County, and overall, Idaho has harvested an estimated 8% of the sweet cherry crop. In Franklin County, growers are controlling cereal leaf beetle populations to maintain good grain quality. Unfortunately, Northern Idaho growers in Boundary County reported extensive crop damage as high waters of the Kootenai River seeped into the dike system.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture was 2 percent very short, 10 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers averaged 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Crop Progress

Percentages	2006	2005	Average
Oats Emerged	97	99	100
Winter Wheat Turning Color	6	3	8
Potatoes 12" high	45	17	40
Potatoes Closing Middles	8	6	11

Crop Condition

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	--	4	12	70	14
Spring Wheat	--	2	12	73	13
Barley	--	2	11	72	15
Potato	--	--	9	72	19
Irr. Water Supply	--	--	2	35	63
Range and Pasture	--	1	11	61	27

Grain Growth Stage

	Jointed	Booted
Winter Wheat	100	98
Spring Wheat	81	57
Barley	84	55

Crop Progress by District

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2006	2005	Avg	2006	2005	Avg	2006	2005	Avg	2006	2005	Avg	2006	2005	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Headed.....	99	71	62	100	100	100	98	96	98	74	76	77	90	79	76
Spring Wheat															
Headed.....	23	17	13	94	86	96	70	34	64	9	10	25	26	18	30
Barley															
Headed.....	12	20	16	55	88	92	58	53	76	14	9	20	25	23	35
Alfalfa Hay, 1 st cutting															
Harvested.....	53	54	46	98	100	98	97	87	93	74	59	62	84	75	78

Avg (2001 - 2005); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

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Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, June 25, 2006 ^{1/}

Station	Temperature ^{2/}				Growing Degree Days ^{4/}			Precipitation (Inches)				
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept ^{3/}	40° Base	50° Base		Total ^{5/}	Dept ^{3/}	Month of June	March 1	
						To Date	Normal				To Date	Normal
North												
Coeur D' Alene	84	39	61	-4	1308	532	442	0.00	-0.24	0.86	3.19	8.85
Grangeville	81	42	59	-1	1094	406	264	0.00	-0.67	2.39	11.34	11.27
Lewiston	96	49	69	1	1840	872	716	0.00	-0.25	1.56	6.42	4.98
Sand Point	78	43	60	-1	1190	468	324	0.06	-0.48	2.82	10.81	9.94
Southwest												
Boise	94	51	70	2	1848	944	657	0.00	-0.15	1.09	6.89	4.62
Caldwell	91	48	69	0	1845	906	834	0.00	-0.16	0.62	3.21	4.01
Emmett	91	48	68	0	1661	785	662	0.00	-0.17	0.95	6.54	4.76
Mountain Home	99	48	72	4	1933	996	630	0.00	-0.11	1.34	4.76	3.44
Parma	93	47	--	--	1742	858	657	0.00	-0.17	0.49	3.18	4.04
Weiser	93	51	70	3	1836	934	700	0.00	-0.17	0.22	3.07	4.11
South-Central												
Buhl	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Burley	86	43	64	-1	1364	614	498	0.00	-0.15	0.92	5.69	4.08
Hill City	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hagerman	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Malta	90	37	64	0	1407	614	419	0.00	-0.16	0.28	4.06	4.18
Twin Falls	88	45	66	2	1480	687	413	0.00	-0.14	1.10	5.69	4.32
East												
Aberdeen	82	39	62	-1	1229	539	335	0.00	-0.15	1.33	5.12	3.52
Grace	86	35	60	-1	1114	474	259	0.00	-0.26	1.21	6.44	6.26
Idaho Falls	87	39	62	-2	1174	490	349	0.02	-0.15	1.43	6.15	4.42
Malad City	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Pocatello	88	39	64	0	1318	592	409	0.00	-0.16	0.72	5.43	4.84
Rexburg	82	41	61	-1	1179	518	315	0.01	-0.25	1.40	6.16	5.60
Salmon	88	43	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

1/ Weekly summary provided by the Western Regional Climate Center with data reported by the National Weather Service. When data is quality controlled by the National Climate Center, the accumulated growing degree days and precipitation values are updated. 2/ -- indicate missing or incomplete data. 3/ Weekly departure from normal. 4/ Totals from March 1. Growing degree days are estimated from neighboring sites for stations with missing or incomplete data. 5/ Precipitation totals are only for days reports were received; no estimates were made for missing data.