



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Above Normal Temperatures

Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from negative two to positive eight degrees above normal for the week. Only traces of precipitation were reported. For the week ending September 16, major agricultural activities included caring for livestock, fall soil preparation, planting winter wheat, and harvesting hay, corn silage, dry beans, and potatoes.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture slightly decreased to 30% very short, 49% short, 21% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Field Crop Report

Statewide, the peach harvest is nearly complete while apples are about a quarter harvested. Franklin County extension educator reported the corn silage crop is looking exceptionally good and many producers will be harvesting a fourth crop of alfalfa because of the extended season. The Camas County extension educator reported that fields are dry and some growers have quit irrigating.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Range and Pasture conditions declined again, with 74% either poor or very poor. Camas County reported the cows are moving off the mountain. Gooding County reported the calves are being weaned.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2007	2006	Avg.
Onions Harvested	61	45	47
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	90	86	77
Field Corn Harvested for Silage	43	42	29
Dry Beans Harvested	61	59	58
Alfalfa Hay 4th cutting Harvested	49	64	45

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Potato	3	3	18	70	6
Irr. Water Supply	23	35	32	10	--
Range & Pasture	22	52	22	4	--

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2007	2006	Avg	2007	2006	Avg	2007	2006	Avg	2007	2006	Avg	2007	2006	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Planted	13	4	5	24	21	21	29	20	26	37	33	26	24	17	17
Emerged	--	--	--	--	1	2	1	3	2	7	7	4	3	3	2
Potatoes															
Harvested	NA	NA	NA	49	44	62	31	21	20	5	5	6	14	11	13
Alfalfa Hay															
3 rd cutting Harvested	NA	NA	NA	96	100	100	98	97	96	61	74	56	82	88	80

Avg (2002 – 2006); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

Find agricultural statistics for your county, State, and the Nation at www.nass.usda.gov.

Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, September 16, 2007 ^{1/}

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
North											
Coeur D' Alene	86	42	64	4	0.00	-0.28	6.16	-4.73	3779	2159	143
Grangeville	87	41	64	8	0.00	-0.42	11.35	-3.21	3588	1975	469
Lewiston	91	50	71	6	0.00	-0.19	3.34	-3.35	5074	3193	558
Porthill	87	39	60	4	0.00	-0.35	7.94	-1.60	3591	1970	389
Winchester	83	38	60	6	0.00	-0.35	7.97	-6.04	3059	1545	507
Southwest											
Boise	90	43	66	3	0.01	-0.20	2.89	-2.73	4754	2911	388
Emmett	89	44	66	5	0.00	-0.21	3.03	-2.52	4711	2939	511
Glenns Ferry	94	36	65	4	0.00	-0.14	3.14	-1.19	4881	3078	643
Grandview	91	36	65	2	0.00	-0.14	1.71	-1.98	4785	2950	243
Nampa	86	44	66	3	0.00	-0.16	2.30	-2.55	4728	2895	365
Parma	90	42	67	6	0.00	-0.19	2.44	-2.90	4851	2999	612
South Central											
Fairfield	85	30	58	4	0.00	-0.21	1.95	-4.39	3135	1650	258
Malta	88	31	59	1	0.00	-0.21	5.36	-1.56	3726	2103	199
Picabo	87	37	63	7	0.00	-0.21	1.81	-4.03	3818	2214	705
Rupert	88	35	61	3	0.00	-0.15	3.35	-1.59	3954	2272	317
Twin Falls	88	36	63	5	0.01	-0.18	2.52	-2.52	4233	2499	634
East											
Aberdeen	86	35	60	4	0.00	-0.16	4.72	-0.49	3804	2171	517
Ashton	80	28	57	4	0.01	-0.34	4.11	-6.11	3278	1773	503
Fort Hall	88	36	62	3	0.00	-0.21	4.42	-2.41	3792	2181	320
Idaho Falls	86	33	58	1	0.00	-0.21	1.93	-4.30	3718	2107	358
Lava Hot Springs	81	35	57	-2	0.00	-0.21	5.85	-0.98	3761	2173	312
Monteview	82	29	56	0	0.00	-0.14	2.50	-3.48	3394	1833	182
Preston	85	38	63	4	0.00	-0.28	6.00	-2.22	4163	2511	559
Rexburg	85	30	57	3	0.00	-0.28	3.45	-4.19	3499	1909	552

^{1/} Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.