



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Sugarbeet Harvest Underway

Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from negative six to positive four degrees above normal for the week. The majority of the state received some rainfall, while Southwestern Idaho received a significant amount of rainfall. For the week ending September 23, major agricultural activities included caring for livestock, fall soil preparation, planting winter wheat, and harvesting hay, apples, dry beans, onions, sugarbeets, and potatoes.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture increased to 26% very short, 54% short, 20% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Field Crop Report

For the first week of sugarbeet harvest, the statewide harvest is at five percent. Apples are about forty percent harvested. Franklin County extension educator reported that the silage corn yields are very good and fall tillage and planting continue. Power County reported that the dryland winter wheat planting is wrapping up and planting of irrigated winter wheat fields are being completed following the harvest of potato fields.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Range and Pasture conditions improved, but still show 69% either poor or very poor. The fall calving season has begun in some areas of the state. Custer County reported that cattle are coming off the ranges and that weaning and shipping has begun.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2007	2006	Avg.
Onions Harvested	75	57	60
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	95	97	92
Field Corn Harvested for Silage	67	70	53
Dry Beans Harvested	79	75	73
Alfalfa Hay 4th cutting Harvested	59	74	57

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Potato	2	3	19	70	6
Irr. Water Supply	21	35	33	11	--
Range & Pasture	24	45	27	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	22	11	13	52	44	41	50	32	46	51	43	43	38	28	30
Emerged	--	--	--	14	4	8	11	6	9	18	10	10	9	5	5
Sugarbeets															
Harvested	NA	NA	NA	6	--	--	4	14	6	5	4	3	5	9	4
Potatoes															
Harvested	NA	NA	NA	59	61	74	46	29	27	13	8	11	24	17	20
Alfalfa Hay															
3 rd cutting Harvested	NA	NA	NA	100	100	100	98	99	99	78	80	70	90	92	87

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 23, 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	69	40	54	-6	0.15	-0.13	6.31	-4.86	3876	2187	108
Grangeville	73	38	55	1	0.37	-0.05	11.72	-3.26	3697	2014	464
Lewiston	81	45	61	-2	0.01	-0.13	3.35	-3.48	5223	3272	549
Porthill	79	35	52	-2	0.24	-0.09	8.18	-1.69	3677	1994	377
Winchester	67	33	49	-4	0.01	-0.34	7.98	-6.38	3123	1549	480
Southwest											
Boise	78	41	58	-4	0.61	0.40	3.50	-2.33	4881	2968	366
Emmett	82	42	59	-2	0.54	0.33	3.57	-2.19	4842	3000	500
Glenns Ferry	80	38	58	-3	0.49	0.35	3.63	-0.84	5009	3136	626
Grandview	80	40	57	-4	0.50	0.36	2.21	-1.62	4907	3002	218
Nampa	74	47	57	-5	1.40	1.26	3.70	-1.29	4847	2944	337
Parma	77	43	58	-2	0.76	0.62	3.20	-2.28	4977	3055	603
South Central											
Fairfield	76	30	50	-4	0.24	0.06	2.19	-4.33	3208	1661	234
Malta	82	32	55	-2	0.09	-0.11	5.45	-1.67	3834	2141	185
Picabo	76	32	53	-1	0.01	-0.17	1.82	-4.20	3909	2236	689
Rupert	76	38	55	-2	0.13	-0.04	3.48	-1.63	4061	2309	301
Twin Falls	79	39	57	1	0.08	-0.11	2.60	-2.63	4352	2548	633
East											
Aberdeen	76	36	55	2	0.16	-0.05	4.88	-0.54	3914	2211	518
Ashton	77	35	53	2	0.47	0.14	4.58	-5.97	3371	1799	498
Fort Hall	76	37	56	-2	0.27	0.06	4.69	-2.35	3903	2222	310
Idaho Falls	78	38	58	4	0.03	-0.18	1.96	-4.48	3845	2164	372
Lava Hot Springs	76	37	53	-4	0.00	-0.21	5.85	-1.19	3856	2198	286
Montevieu	73	34	52	-3	0.05	-0.09	2.55	-3.57	3480	1851	162
Preston	78	38	58	2	0.42	0.14	7.44	-1.06	4277	2555	549
Rexburg	76	35	54	2	0.21	-0.07	3.66	-4.26	3598	1938	548

^{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.

