



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Winter Wheat Turning Color

Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from two to eleven degrees above normal for the week ending July 6. There was very little precipitation throughout Idaho, with the exception of far North Idaho. Major agricultural activities included irrigating, spraying insects, cultivating, caring for livestock, and cutting alfalfa hay.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is estimated at 6% very short, 35% short, 58% adequate, and 1% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Field Crop Report

Spring wheat and barley are essentially finished with the jointed stage. Winter wheat is estimated at 96% headed. Dry beans are 99% emerged. Twin Falls extension educator reported the weather has been hot and dry. He also stated that corn has made significant gains in the last week. The Payette County extension educator reported that the apple and pear crop has some fire blight infestations, but other than that the crop looks good.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Statewide, alfalfa hay is at 81% harvested for its first cutting and its second cutting is at 6%. The Elmore County extension educator reported that pasture dry lands are drying fast and ranchers are concerned about feed supply.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2008	2007	Avg.
Potato 12" High	59	89	82
Potatoes Closing Middles	11	50	45
Cherries Harvested	30	49	67
Dry Beans Emerged	99	100	100
Winter Wheat Turning Color	7	47	35
Spring Wheat Jointed	96	100	98
Spring Wheat Boot Stage	72	97	91
Barley Jointed	97	98	98
Barley Boot Stage	72	90	86

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Range & Pasture	2	5	19	61	13
Barley	2	5	8	80	5
Spring Wheat	1	2	9	83	5
Potato	--	1	13	80	6
Winter Wheat	--	1	8	78	13
Irr. Water Supply	--	4	22	64	10

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South Central			East			State		
	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg	2008	2007	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Headed.....	28	63	62	100	100	100	95	91	90	31	87	60	40	82	66
Barley															
Headed.....	35	59	60	100	100	92	82	94	87	32	66	49	46	73	60
Winter Wheat															
Headed.....	97	100	98	100	100	100	97	100	100	93	100	95	96	100	97
Alfalfa Hay															
1 st Cutting.....	73	77	81	100	100	100	93	100	98	70	93	87	81	96	92
2 nd Cutting.....	--	3	1	16	51	45	15	29	29	1	10	5	6	23	20

Avg (2003 - 2007); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

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Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, July 6, 2008 ^{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	96	54	74	8	0.39	0.12	6.70	-1.51	1326	628	-95
Grangeville	95	55	74	11	0.05	-0.33	12.24	0.96	1183	512	30
Lewiston	105	61	82	10	0.01	-0.18	2.90	-2.04	2063	1089	50
Porthill	98	52	73	9	0.65	0.35	6.60	-0.05	1298	593	1
Winchester	92	50	68	9	0.00	-0.38	9.06	-1.83	945	366	88
Southwest											
Boise	104	56	77	6	0.03	-0.08	3.22	-1.27	1814	935	-58
Emmett	101	56	78	7	0.00	-0.11	2.99	-1.50	1721	909	-85
Glenns Ferry	104	59	78	8	0.00	-0.09	3.35	-0.08	1732	908	-80
Grandview	102	55	78	6	0.00	-0.10	2.59	-0.34	1811	965	-207
Nampa	93	60	77	6	0.00	-0.10	2.67	-1.15	1837	967	-109
Parma	99	58	78	8	0.00	-0.10	1.63	-2.48	1931	1030	51
South Central											
Fairfield	94	39	65	2	0.00	-0.18	2.30	-2.43	895	330	-110
Malta	100	44	71	5	0.00	-0.21	2.42	-2.40	1301	604	-88
Picabo	97	48	72	8	0.00	-0.15	2.03	-2.53	1191	548	62
Rupert	96	53	72	4	0.00	-0.14	1.71	-2.14	1361	653	-66
Twin Falls	94	54	73	6	0.00	-0.08	2.32	-1.65	1465	717	11
East											
Aberdeen	94	50	71	6	0.00	-0.14	1.54	-2.33	1288	608	17
Ashton	89	47	67	5	0.02	-0.27	5.22	-2.34	972	400	-16
Fort Hall	97	49	70	4	0.00	-0.21	2.57	-2.42	1276	590	-94
Idaho Falls	95	51	72	6	0.00	-0.17	2.53	-2.06	1292	602	-17
Lava Hot Springs	93	50	71	4	0.00	-0.21	5.02	0.03	1157	525	-159
Montevieu	92	49	69	3	0.00	-0.21	1.38	-2.81	1127	478	-125
Preston	95	53	74	7	0.00	-0.28	4.92	-0.89	1391	680	-28
Rexburg	91	47	67	5	0.12	-0.15	2.53	-3.07	1040	411	-48

^{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.