



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Winter Wheat Harvest Underway

Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from three degrees below normal to five degrees above normal for the week ending July 20. Idaho received essentially no precipitation for the week. Major agricultural activities included irrigating, harvesting cherries, and cutting alfalfa hay.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is estimated at 13% very short, 43% short, 44% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2008	2007	Avg.
Potato 12" High	92	100	97
Potatoes Closing Middles	60	93	84
Cherries Harvested	98	93	96
Winter Wheat Turning Color	68	91	82
Spring Wheat Boot Stage	95	100	100
Spring Wheat Turning Color	11	65	39
Barley Boot Stage	97	100	99
Barley Turning Color	27	70	43

Field Crop Report

Winter wheat harvested is just underway for the week ending June 20. Twin Falls County reported that grasshopper populations appear to be increasing in rangeland and dry areas of South Central Idaho. In Southwestern Idaho, the mint harvest is underway and the cherry crop is essentially complete. In Southeastern Idaho, the dryland crops are showing signs of moisture stress. The Caribou County extension educator reported that dry weather has helped farmers mostly finish up the first cutting of alfalfa.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Statewide, alfalfa hay is at 97% harvested for its first cutting and its second cutting is at 25%. The Elmore County extension educator reported that rangeland is drying fast and feed supply is becoming scarce.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Range & Pasture	2	8	29	54	7
Barley	2	5	17	72	4
Spring Wheat	1	2	20	72	5
Potato	--	1	16	68	15
Winter Wheat	--	1	13	75	11
Irr. Water Supply	--	5	23	62	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
Winter Wheat Harvested.....	1	3	3	2	8	13	5	16	7	--	3	1	1	5	4
Spring Wheat Headed.....	68	98	96	100	100	100	100	98	99	80	98	90	80	98	94
Barley Headed.....	80	98	95	100	100	97	99	100	98	78	98	86	84	99	90
Alfalfa Hay 1 st Cutting.....	100	100	99	100	100	100	100	100	100	94	100	98	97	100	99
Alfalfa Hay 2 nd Cutting.....	3	9	8	67	83	79	56	69	73	6	43	23	25	56	47

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

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Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, July 20, 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	88	49	70	1	0	-0.16	6.70	-1.88	1727	889	-102
Grangeville	92	47	71	5	0	-0.21	12.24	0.47	1606	795	93
Lewiston	97	57	77	3	0	-0.14	2.90	-2.32	2564	1450	72
Porthill	90	46	68	2	0	-0.21	6.62	-0.50	1678	833	19
Winchester	87	41	65	4	0.01	-0.31	9.07	-2.49	1284	565	132
Southwest											
Boise	96	47	74	-2	0	-0.07	3.22	-1.41	2264	1245	-85
Emmett	94	51	75	2	0	-0.02	2.99	-1.59	2193	1241	-73
Glenns Ferry	101	46	76	3	0	-0.05	3.35	-0.20	2213	1249	-61
Grandview	100	47	75	-1	0	-0.04	2.59	-0.45	2285	1299	-220
Nampa	92	59	76	3	0	-0.03	2.67	-1.25	2318	1308	-86
Parma	99	51	76	4	0	-0.04	1.63	-2.59	2424	1383	87
South Central											
Fairfield	88	38	64	-3	0	-0.14	2.30	-2.71	1232	527	-136
Malta	95	39	69	-2	0	-0.18	2.42	-2.79	1691	854	-111
Picabo	95	47	70	3	0	-0.07	2.03	-2.70	1589	806	84
Rupert	91	45	68	-3	0	-0.07	1.71	-2.30	1743	895	-108
Twin Falls	93	47	71	2	0	-0.06	2.32	-1.78	1887	999	29
East											
Aberdeen	95	46	69	1	0	-0.10	1.54	-2.57	1673	853	14
Ashton	85	40	63	-3	0	-0.21	5.22	-2.78	1284	572	-48
Fort Hall	95	42	68	-3	0	-0.14	2.57	-2.72	1652	826	-132
Idaho Falls	92	43	68	-2	0	-0.14	2.53	-2.34	1679	849	-32
Lava Hot Springs	91	43	67	-3	0	-0.14	5.02	-0.27	1534	762	-196
Monteview	91	42	66	-3	0	-0.21	1.38	-3.23	1480	691	-163
Preston	93	49	72	2	0	-0.28	4.92	-1.45	1822	971	-19
Rexburg	92	40	65	-2	0	-0.21	2.54	-3.48	1374	605	-64

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.