



# Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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## Winter Wheat Turning Color

### Agricultural Summary

Most districts reported warm temperatures that ranged from one degree below normal to 6 degrees above normal for the week. Southern districts received most of the moisture while North Idaho received little moisture. Major agricultural activities included irrigating, cultivating, spraying for pests, caring for livestock and cutting alfalfa.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is at 1% very short, 15% short, 77% adequate, and 7% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

### Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2009	2008	Avg.
Cherries	80	27	59
Winter Wheat Turing Color	26	6	26
Potatoes 12" High	73	55	72
Potatoes Closing Middles	29	9	32

### Grain Growth Stage

Percentages	Jointed	Booted	Headed
Winter Wheat	100	99	91
Spring Wheat	96	82	40
Barley	96	77	38

### Field Crop Report

Hay farm operators used the week's favorable weather to work their hay fields. All regions reported advances in the first cutting of alfalfa and several districts are well into the second cutting. The Caribou County extension educator reports that moisture has caused damage to the hay crop. Warm temperatures have left cereal crops and potatoes in mostly good to excellent condition. Nez Perce County reports dry weather has caused some cereal crop damages at lower elevations. Many areas are beginning to see winter wheat turning color. Eastern and South-Central districts reported crop damage from hail.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

North Idaho reported hotspots of grasshopper infestation on range land that may also threaten crop fields later in the year. State alfalfa first and second cutting is 83% and 15% complete, respectively.

### Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Barley	0	1	6	68	25
Spring Wheat	0	1	6	73	20
Range & Pasture	0	0	20	40	40
Potato	0	0	5	88	7
Winter Wheat	0	0	6	66	28
Irr. Water Supply	0	0	1	58	41

### Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Headed .....	33	26	53	100	100	100	95	91	87	21	28	48	40	37	57
Barley															
Headed .....	31	33	53	99	100	92	80	80	82	23	28	40	38	43	53
Winter Wheat															
Headed .....	87	94	97	100	100	100	100	96	99	89	91	93	91	94	96
Alfalfa															
First Cutting .....	97	70	75	100	100	100	96	92	97	61	69	82	83	79	89
Second Cutting....	--	--	1	49	14	33	9	13	24	--	1	5	15	5	15

Avg (2004 - 2008); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

### Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, July 5, 2009 <sup>1/</sup>

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
<b>North</b>											
Coeur D' Alene	91	49	69	2	0.00	-0.30	7.59	-0.03	1461	691	4
Grangeville	88	52	69	6	0.00	-0.42	10.06	-1.40	1411	649	196
Lewiston	100	54	75	4	0.01	-0.20	4.63	-0.30	2141	1137	144
Porthill	91	44	65	2	0.00	-0.32	7.45	1.03	1320	575	13
Winchester	87	41	63	5	0.02	-0.38	9.46	-1.40	1051	413	155
<b>Southwest</b>											
Boise	95	52	75	4	0.04	-0.09	6.50	1.99	2021	1035	87
Emmett	96	54	76	6	0.00	-0.13	5.67	1.15	1907	978	28
Glenns Ferry	95	54	75	5	0.28	0.17	7.88	4.43	1924	982	38
Grandview	97	53	74	2	0.07	-0.05	3.57	0.64	1990	1008	-117
Nampa	93	60	76	6	0.19	0.07	3.39	-0.44	2018	1041	8
Parma	95	57	76	6	0.06	-0.06	3.54	-0.58	2090	1094	158
<b>South Central</b>											
Fairfield	86	41	63	-1	0.00	-0.20	7.23	2.49	1015	362	-49
Malta	93	48	69	4	0.26	0.05	7.29	2.51	1365	568	-88
Picabo	86	49	68	4	0.02	-0.15	7.43	2.87	1237	537	81
Rupert	91	51	70	3	0.25	0.11	4.53	0.70	1455	646	-35
Twin Falls	93	53	72	6	0.54	0.44	6.39	2.41	1641	769	99
<b>East</b>											
Aberdeen	91	47	69	4	0.32	0.18	6.64	2.78	1347	585	28
Ashton	80	44	62	0	0.05	-0.26	8.65	1.11	1046	382	-8
Fort Hall	90	46	68	2	0.37	0.16	7.52	2.56	1333	574	-74
Idaho Falls	89	46	68	2	0.20	0.01	6.70	2.12	1392	600	16
Lava Hot Springs	90	38	67	-1	0.23	0.02	9.51	4.97	1287	541	-107
Monteview	86	44	65	-1	0.04	-0.17	5.28	1.13	1164	462	-107
Preston	92	48	69	3	0.54	0.26	9.77	4.01	1510	670	0
Rexburg	82	39	63	2	0.02	-0.26	7.86	2.30	1153	439	8

<sup>1/</sup> 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](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955.