



# IDAHO CROP WEATHER



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## Planting Progresses Rapidly

Warm temperatures throughout the week allowed for planting and emergence of crops to progress rapidly across much of the state. Temperatures throughout the week varied from 68 to 90 degrees during the day and from 23 to 36 degrees at night. For the week ending April 30, reports indicate that farmers had an average of 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork. According to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service, major activities during the past week involved planting small grains, potatoes, onions, dry peas, lentils, corn and sugarbeets, moving cattle and sheep to early spring pasture, caring for livestock, spraying weeds, and irrigating.

### CROP REPORT

Planting of small grains, potatoes, sugarbeets, lentils, and dry peas progressed rapidly ahead of last year and the five year average.

### CONDITION INFORMATION

Percentages	Very				
	Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	0	1	11	72	16
Irr. Water Supply	0	1	13	58	28
Range & Pasture	2	2	30	54	12

Emergence of small grains, sugarbeets, and dry peas progressed rapidly ahead of last year and the five year average as well. Strong winds depleted soil moisture and blew out sugarbeet plantings in Power county, some replanting may be necessary. Winter wheat is 42% jointed, while spring wheat is 5% jointed and spring barley is 6% jointed. Reports indicate that topsoil moisture was 3% very short, 23% short, 68% adequate and 6% surplus.

### CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES

	Planted %			Emerged %		
	2000	1999	Avg.	2000	1999	Avg.
Onions	100	100	99	80	83	66
Dry Peas	76	41	34	21	13	12
Oats	45	40	46	17	15	17
Lentils	36	25	17	-	-	-
Corn	18	25	21	-	-	-

### LIVESTOCK REPORT

Ranchers have begun moving sheep and cattle to early pasture. Hay and roughage supplies were reported to be 12% very short, 11% short, 71% adequate, and 6% surplus.

## CROP PROGRESS REPORT PERCENTAGES FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 30, 2000

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Planted . . . . .	82	56	37	100	99	99	99	92	97	87	69	69	88	73	73
Emerged . . . . .	36	20	12	98	96	89	80	85	80	59	26	29	61	38	41
Barley															
Planted . . . . .	75	45	32	100	100	98	95	84	91	81	40	47	84	52	56
Emerged . . . . .	28	12	11	98	95	82	88	71	70	54	9	13	60	25	27
Potatoes															
Planted . . . . .	NA	NA	NA	96	86	81	79	54	53	17	8	10	39	26	27
Sugarbeets															
Planted . . . . .	NA	NA	NA	100	96	96	94	79	90	86	81	86	94	82	90
Emerged . . . . .	NA	NA	NA	95	28	49	45	18	18	52	16	16	56	19	27

Avg (1995-1999); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District

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## Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, April 30, 2000 <sup>1/</sup>

Station	Temperature <sup>2/</sup>				Growing Degree Days <sup>4/</sup>			Precipitation (Inches)					
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. <sup>3/</sup>	40E Base	50E Base To Date    Normal		Total	Dept <sup>3/</sup>	Month of April	March 1 To Date    Normal		
<b>North</b>													
Coeur D'Alene	75	34	47	-5	311	66	15	0.26	-0.30	2.35	5.09	4.16	
Lewiston	84	35	54	0	580	154	37	0.06	-0.23	1.09	2.44	2.19	
Sand Point	73	30	45	-3	215	18	0	0.59	0.07	2.18	5.61	4.96	
<b>Southwest</b>													
Boise	87	33	55	3	551	154	11	0.07	-0.21	1.05	3.54	2.51	
Caldwell	84	32	53	-2	590	175	58	0.01	-0.19	0.46	1.97	2.03	
Emmett	86	33	52	-1	489	116	30	0.09	-0.16	0.81	2.43	2.41	
Mountain Home	88	32	53	2	459	105	6	0.00	-0.19	0.60	2.05	1.91	
Parma	86	34	54	2	543	144	20	0.04	-0.17	0.86	2.32	2.04	
Weiser	81	35	53	1	571	160	14	0.10	-0.09	1.62	2.84	2.04	
<b>Southcentral</b>													
Buhl	90	35	52	2	445	114	2	0.00	-0.24	0.64	1.82	1.77	
Burley	88	31	55	6	488	128	0	0.00	-0.26	0.60	0.87	1.76	
Hill City	76	23	45	1	184	13	0	0.80	0.58	1.05	1.97	2.08	
Hagerman 5/	--	--	--	--	515	143	86	0.00	-0.21	0.22	1.00	1.71	
Malta	68	25	50	-0	412	97	19	0.00	-0.23	1.06	1.20	1.60	
Twin Falls	87	28	51	2	396	82	0	0.57	0.32	1.13	2.77	2.01	
<b>East</b>													
Aberdeen	83	26	48	2	235	43	0	0.00	-0.25	0.33	0.55	1.53	
Grace	80	26	49	4	266	60	0	1.31	0.99	2.60	3.58	2.68	
Idaho Falls	79	23	49	3	258	34	0	0.02	-0.23	1.93	2.84	1.79	
Malad City	81	36	58	10	511	152	0	0.00	-0.31	0.00	0.01	2.29	
Pocatello	84	30	52	4	330	55	0	0.00	-0.31	0.73	1.56	2.41	
Rexburg	72	27	48	1	249	42	0	0.00	-0.32	0.53	0.77	2.31	
Salmon	79	25	49	2	333	51	0	0.04	-0.21	0.18	0.29	1.35	

1/ Weekly summary provided by the Western Regional Climate Center with data reported by the National Weather Service. When data is quality controlled by the National Climate Center the accumulated growing degree days and precipitation values are updated. 2/ -- indicate missing or incomplete data 3/ Departure from normal. 4/ Totals from March 1. Growing degree days are estimated from neighboring sites for stations with missing or incomplete data. 5/ Precipitation totals are only for days reports were received, no estimates were made for missing data.

### Daily High/Low Four Inch Soil Temperatures

Station	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Average <sup>1/</sup>	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
Buhl	59	42	65	45	67	48	69	50	71	57	62	46	67	46	66	48
Emmett	66	57	68	57	63	51	67	52	72	58	73	59	72	60	69	56
Parma	55	52	52	51	54	52	54	52	55	53	--	--	--	--	54	52
Sandpoint	49	44	48	42	46	42	53	42	55	44	49	44	53	44	50	43
Twin Falls	58	46	60	45	61	48	64	49	67	51	57	43	51	43	60	46

1/ Averages are only for days reports were received. -- Missing or Incomplete Data.