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## Harvest Nears Completion

Harvest activities across the state are coming to an end. The harvest of onions, potatoes, and corn for silage is nearly complete, while sugarbeets and corn for grain are gaining momentum throughout the state. For the week ending October 22, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. According to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service, major farm activities included fall field work, planting winter wheat, chopping corn silage, harvesting potatoes, sugarbeets, corn for grain, apples, and onions.

### CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES

	2000	1999	Avg.
Onions Harvested	97	94	97
Apples Harvested	62	44	64
Corn Harvested for Silage	98	97	97
Corn Harvested for Grain	37	17	21

### CROP REPORT

Moisture received last week improved winter wheat condition. Fall planting of winter wheat is nearly complete at 94 percent, while over half of the crop has emerged. Statewide, topsoil moisture was reported to be 3% very short, 32% short, 63% adequate, and 2% surplus.

### LIVESTOCK REPORT

Livestock remain in good condition throughout the state, while producers continue to wean, vaccinate, market yearlings and lambs, and pregnancy check. County Extension Educators across the state reported that fall calving season is underway.

### CONDITION INFORMATION

Percentages	Very				
	Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Range & Pasture	22	33	32	13	0
Winter Wheat	0	0	9	86	5

### CROP PROGRESS REPORT PERCENTAGES FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 22, 2000

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Planted . . . . .	98	88	89	71	62	64	98	86	86	95	95	95	94	88	87
Emerged . . . . .	57	19	42	35	12	26	73	43	49	73	72	76	63	40	53
Potatoes															
Harvested . . . . .	NA	NA	NA	99	90	90	84	92	86	94	96	95	92	94	92
Sugarbeets															
Harvested . . . . .	NA	NA	NA	11	29	29	56	61	49	55	79	70	46	58	47

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

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## Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, October 22, 2000 <sup>1/</sup>

Station	Temperature <sup>2/</sup>				Growing Degree Days <sup>4/</sup>			Precipitation (Inches)					
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. <sup>3/</sup>	40° Base	50° Base To Date	Normal	Total	Dept <sup>3/</sup>	Month of October	March 1 To Date Normal		
<b>North</b>													
Coeur D'Alene 5/	72	34	50	3	3726	1864	1853	0.62	0.45	1.19	11.27	14.00	
Lewiston	73	35	52	1	4927	2802	2787	0.40	0.19	1.08	8.48	7.59	
Sand Point	61	34	49	5	3320	1538	1451	0.33	-0.26	0.38	14.18	15.88	
<b>Southwest</b>													
Boise	78	30	55	4	5250	3148	2626	0.44	0.25	2.04	6.50	6.49	
Caldwell	73	34	55	4	5164	3024	2914	0.00	-0.17	0.03	2.84	5.48	
Emmett 5/	72	32	55	4	4959	2870	2603	0.29	0.08	0.89	4.77	6.44	
Mountain Home	77	30	53	4	5280	3174	2570	0.38	0.21	1.04	4.67	5.40	
Parma	74	33	53	5	5047	2925	2429	0.23	0.05	1.50	5.45	6.06	
Weiser 5/	71	38	--	--	5315	3194	2461	0.00	-0.16	0.42	3.55	5.43	
<b>Southcentral</b>													
Buhl	76	30	52	4	4908	2880	2111	0.32	0.14	0.80	3.90	5.52	
Burley	76	30	52	5	4976	2920	1988	0.35	0.21	0.70	3.50	5.71	
Hill City	65	20	45	2	3336	1637	1312	0.26	0.06	1.31	6.25	6.37	
Hagerman	78	32	52	1	5038	2960	2688	0.00	-0.17	0.42	3.54	4.91	
Malta	73	36	53	4	4298	2359	1827	0.06	-0.01	0.40	3.52	6.19	
Twin Falls	73	29	49	2	4325	2352	1885	0.39	0.24	0.79	4.82	5.89	
<b>East</b>													
Aberdeen 5/	70	28	--	--	3715	1938	1600	0.00	-0.18	0.00	2.17	6.15	
Grace	69	24	46	2	3725	1948	1410	0.22	-0.04	1.40	9.46	10.55	
Idaho Falls	68	29	47	2	3668	1878	1708	0.13	-0.04	1.16	7.00	7.20	
Malad City	70	30	47	1	4413	2556	1876	0.00	-0.25	0.73	3.45	9.57	
Pocatello	72	29	48	2	4228	2337	1976	0.04	-0.18	0.52	4.58	7.64	
Rexburg	66	30	47	4	3689	1929	1576	0.02	-0.17	1.01	2.99	8.95	
Salmon	64	25	47	3	3744	1899	1720	0.02	-0.12	0.72	2.21	7.53	

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	66	46	66	46	66	48	66	50	65	49	64	48	54	40	64	47
Emmett	62	53	63	54	63	55	68	57	65	58	60	57	60	51	63	55
Parma	54	53	54	53	53	53	54	54	54	54	53	52	53	52	54	53
Sandpoint	51	45	50	46	53	47	51	47	53	47	--	--	--	--	52	46
Twin Falls	56	45	56	45	56	45	57	47	58	46	51	46	49	41	55	45

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

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