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Fieldwork Slowed By Rain and Snow

Agricultural Summary

County Extension Educators throughout the state indicated that fieldwork was sluggish this past week due to rain and snow. Precipitation was reported by all weather stations except Malad City. Below normal temperatures were reported and ranged between 46 to 63 degrees during the day and between 10 to 28 degrees at night. Agricultural activities for the week ending April 15 included planting of spring wheat, barley, oats, potatoes, sugarbeets, dry peas, lentils, onions, field preparation, shipping of seed potatoes, feeding and caring for livestock.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Moisture received this past week has been very helpful. However, water supplies continue to be short. Reports indicate that topsoil moisture was 16% short, 71% adequate, and 13% surplus. The Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service reports farmers had an average of 2.9 days suitable for fieldwork.

Crop Progress Table

	2001	2000	Avg.
Onions Planted	80	73	86
Onions Emerged	50	24	25
Oats Planted	14	14	17
Dry Peas Planted	12	19	17
Lentils Planted	1	6	3

Field Crop Report

The planting of spring wheat, barley, sugarbeets, lentils, dry peas, and onions lag behind last year and the five year average. Winter wheat conditions were reported to be mostly good. Extension Educators in Minidoka County indicated that some sugarbeets are being replanted due to frost damage.

Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops Report

Extension Educators in Gem County reported some frost damage to apricots and cherries.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Calving and lambing are nearly complete across the state, with calving at 95% complete, and lambing at 96% complete. Hay and Roughage supplies were reported to be 2% very short, 38% short, 57% adequate, and 3% surplus.

Crop Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	0	0	8	80	12
Irr. Water Supply	27	27	32	9	5
Range & Pasture	0	9	49	35	7

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2001	2000	Avg	2001	2000	Avg	2001	2000	Avg	2001	2000	Avg	2001	2000	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Planted	8	35	17	100	88	93	76	90	81	19	47	35	30	54	45
Emerged	0	7	5	93	52	58	18	40	29	2	5	5	8	14	13
Barley															
Planted	6	33	16	100	87	87	90	75	71	6	31	14	28	43	30
Emerged	0	6	4	98	42	47	21	24	21	0	1	1	8	9	8
Potatoes															
Planted	NA	NA	NA	16	35	28	14	13	9	0	2	1	5	7	5
Sugarbeets															
Planted	NA	NA	NA	80	85	80	26	81	54	20	57	33	36	78	58
Emerged	NA	NA	NA	42	19	18	7	2	3	0	6	3	13	5	7

Avg (1996-2000); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District.

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Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, April 15, 2001 ^{1/}

Station	Temperature ^{2/}				Growing Degree Days ^{4/}			Precipitation (Inches)					
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept. ^{3/}	40° Base	50° Base		Total	Dept ^{3/}	Month of April	March 1		
						To Date	Normal				To Date	Normal	
North													
Coeur D'Alene	50	28	38	-11	61	3	0	0.22	0.00	0.96	2.73	3.17	
Grangeville	61	27	38	-6	93	4	0	0.67	0.11	2.54	4.76	3.64	
Sand Point	48	26	37	-7	42	2	0	0.42	-0.07	2.03	5.95	3.89	
Southwest													
Boise	62	26	41	-8	222	30	0	0.75	0.46	1.13	2.23	1.92	
Caldwell	52	25	40	-11	246	28	9	0.46	0.23	0.82	1.54	1.57	
Emmett	54	23	38	-12	190	20	0	0.54	0.27	1.42	2.28	1.88	
Mountain Home	63	21	39	-9	198	26	0	0.30	0.10	0.69	1.21	1.50	
Parma	55	24	41	-8	246	25	0	0.34	0.13	0.97	1.84	1.58	
Weiser	62	26	42	-7	217	17	0	1.23	1.01	1.80	3.14	1.64	
Southcentral													
Buhl	50	26	37	-11	171	20	0	0.26	0.11	0.74	1.84	1.31	
Burley	60	21	38	-8	140	6	0	0.46	0.30	0.80	1.50	1.26	
Hill City	55	15	32	-9	30	0	0	0.28	0.09	0.93	1.79	1.61	
Hagerman	53	21	38	-16	241	28	28	0.04	-0.07	0.39	1.33	1.35	
Malta	52	16	37	-14	148	6	5	0.55	0.41	0.55	0.99	1.16	
Twin Falls	53	20	36	-9	147	9	0	0.22	0.03	0.56	1.42	1.50	
East													
Aberdeen 5/	49	10	--	--	55	0	0	0.13	-0.02	0.51	0.78	1.05	
Grace	48	12	32	-9	48	0	0	0.13	-0.19	1.37	2.28	1.98	
Idaho Falls	60	19	38	-6	115	2	0	0.05	-0.16	0.55	1.26	1.28	
Malad City	61	21	39	-6	183	16	0	0.00	-0.25	0.41	0.42	1.66	
Pocatello	58	19	37	-8	105	3	0	0.35	0.12	0.65	1.34	1.77	
Rexburg	48	19	35	-9	64	0	0	0.03	-0.23	0.15	0.38	1.67	
Salmon	46	25	36	-7	65	0	0	0.05	-0.15	0.11	0.35	0.86	

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 ¹	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
Buhl	51	37	57	37	56	41	49	39	48	38	47	38	57	38	52	38
Emmett	52	44	53	45	52	46	50	48	52	48	50	46	54	46	52	46
Parma	45	44	44	42	44	42	44	41	44	40	45	41	43	40	44	41
Sandpoint	38	38	39	38	41	38	38	36	42	35	--	--	--	--	40	37
Twin Falls	44	36	50	35	49	37	47	38	42	36	43	37	44	41	46	37

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

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