



# IDAHO CROP WEATHER



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## Farmers Grateful For Moisture

### Agricultural Summary

Farmers throughout the state are grateful for the recent moisture received. Irrigation water supplies have improved slightly from last week thanks to recent rains. For the week ending May 23, major agricultural activities included fertilizing, feeding and caring for livestock, cutting alfalfa hay, planting oats, barley, dry beans, corn and potatoes.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Hay and Roughage supplies were reported to be 12% short, 66% adequate, and 22% surplus. No livestock problems have been reported this past week.

### Field Crop Report

Statewide, planting of barley, oats, corn and potatoes is nearly complete, ahead of last year and the five year average. Crop emergence in South-Central and Eastern areas of the state have benefitted from recent rains. Small grains were reported in mostly good condition this past week. Black grassbugs, crickets, and cereal leaf beetles continue to cause problems in CRP land as well as wheat fields throughout several Eastern Idaho counties.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture was reported to be 27% short, 69% adequate, and 4% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 5.0 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

### Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2004	2003	Avg.
Winter Wheat Jointed	78	75	74
Winter Wheat Boot Stage	25	19	17
Spring Wheat Jointed	20	16	18
Barley Jointed	16	20	19
Oats Planted	97	88	85
Oats Emerged	80	66	60
Field Corn Planted	95	84	84
Field Corn Emerged	60	30	38
Dry Beans Planted	35	35	23

### Condition Table

Percentages	Very				
	Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	--	3	16	73	8
Spring Wheat	--	1	17	77	5
Barley	--	1	11	82	6
Irr. Water Supply	7	19	38	36	--
Range & Pasture	--	3	29	50	18

### Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2004	2003	Avg	2004	2003	Avg	2004	2003	Avg	2004	2003	Avg	2004	2003	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Emerged	93	34	66	100	100	100	100	100	99	93	90	86	94	79	85
Barley															
Planted	99	76	92	100	100	100	100	100	99	95	94	94	97	93	95
Emerged	93	26	58	100	100	100	99	100	98	67	79	73	79	78	78
Potatoes															
Planted	NA	NA	NA	100	100	100	100	96	98	89	83	84	93	87	89
Emerged	NA	NA	NA	96	83	73	45	12	22	2	1	6	20	9	15
Alfalfa Hay 1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting															
Harvested	8	--	1	28	32	36	33	8	15	1	--	1	16	9	12

Avg (1998-2003); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District.

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## Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, May 23, 2004 <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 May	March 1 To Date    Normal		
<b>North</b>													
Coeur D'Alene	73	41	54	0	722	168	123	2.00	1.34	2.06	4.05	5.71	
Grangeville	61	35	49	-3	618	106	28	1.75	0.93	3.31	6.34	7.78	
Lewiston	73	46	59	-1	1142	401	238	1.29	0.93	2.49	4.45	3.51	
Sand Point	78	43	60	6	632	141	55	0.49	-0.15	0.58	4.65	7.04	
<b>Southwest</b>													
Boise	70	43	57	-2	1140	423	182	0.57	0.29	1.44	2.23	3.61	
Caldwell	72	41	57	-5	1124	404	286	0.02	-0.19	0.26	0.73	3.13	
Emmett	71	42	56	-3	1052	365	192	0.47	0.19	1.03	1.73	3.71	
Mountain Home	72	39	55	-3	1006	340	157	1.73	1.53	2.00	2.46	2.73	
Parma	72	40	56	-3	1105	390	195	0.42	0.17	0.93	1.45	3.02	
Weiser	72	41	58	-2	1171	456	206	0.42	0.18	0.55	1.26	2.97	
<b>Southcentral</b>													
Buhl 5/	--	--	--	--	770	189	88	0.00	-0.28	0.00	0.00	2.86	
Burley	71	39	52	-4	786	202	104	0.31	0.04	0.51	2.21	3.05	
Hill City	66	30	48	-3	440	73	6	0.30	0.03	0.30	0.80	3.14	
Hagerman 5/	--	--	--	--	1282	552	254	0.00	-0.22	0.00	0.00	2.62	
Malta	73	34	52	-3	848	268	79	0.27	-0.10	0.36	1.33	2.86	
Twin Falls	73	39	54	-1	863	282	69	0.23	-0.08	0.34	2.89	3.24	
<b>East</b>													
Aberdeen 5/	72	30	--	--	555	127	38	0.00	-0.26	0.40	1.23	2.48	
Grace	74	26	51	-2	531	113	18	0.77	0.25	0.90	1.57	4.43	
Idaho Falls	70	33	50	-3	590	118	39	0.12	-0.25	0.47	1.69	3.12	
Malad City 5/	76	36	--	--	713	203	52	0.02	-0.46	0.07	0.72	3.91	
Pocatello	72	34	53	-2	729	183	62	0.16	-0.18	0.52	2.29	3.68	
Rexburg	66	33	51	-2	611	147	36	0.27	-0.22	0.79	1.57	3.79	
Salmon	66	39	52	52	586	148	0	1.26	1.26	1.72	2.18	0.00	

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/ Weekly 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
Emmett	74	62	72	66	68	62	70	60	77	60	74	64	74	63	73	62
Parma	58	57	58	58	59	58	60	58	60	58	--	--	--	--	59	58
Sandpoint	63	55	67	55	70	56	69	56	67	55	--	--	--	--	67	55
Twin Falls	60	50	66	55	60	51	65	49	--	--	62	52	62	51	63	51

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