



# Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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## Fair Weather

### Agricultural Summary

Temperatures for the week ending August 1 ranged from one degree below normal to six degrees above normal for the state. Most of the state reported precipitation. Major agricultural activities included irrigating, cultivating, applying pesticides, cutting alfalfa, and harvesting cereal grains.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is at 3% very short, 22% short, 74% adequate, and 1% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2010	2009	Avg.
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	1	1	1
Potatoes Closing Middles	92	99	97
Dry Peas Harvested	2	12	21
Lentils Harvested	--	--	5
Peaches Harvested	--	--	5
Cherries Harvested	100	100	100
Oats Harvested	7	2	10
Spring Wheat Turning Color	43	67	73
Barley Turning Color	52	65	74
Winter Wheat Turning Color	88	94	96

Grain Growth Stage

Percentages	Jointed	Booted	Headed
Spring Wheat	100	100	97
Barley	100	100	97

### Field Crop Report

Bluegrass harvest is well behind average in Benewah County. The county's harvest is normally 95 percent complete this time of year but has been estimated at 15 percent complete as of today by the Benewah County report. The Gooding County extension reports storms dropped heavy rainfall and hail last week. No crop damage has been reported from the storms, but alfalfa and wheat harvest has been slowed from moisture in the fields. Several county extensions are reporting increasing concerns of grasshoppers and voles.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Range and pasture is 69 percent in good or excellent condition. Statewide, the alfalfa second and third cutting is 54 and 6 percent complete, respectively.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Range & Pasture	0	8	23	61	8
Irr. Water Supply	0	1	11	88	0
Potato	0	0	6	88	6
Winter Wheat	0	0	7	79	14
Spring Wheat	0	0	5	89	6
Barley	0	2	3	89	6

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2010	2009	Avg	2010	2009	Avg	2010	2009	Avg	2010	2009	Avg	2010	2009	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Headed .....	99	97	99	100	100	100	99	100	100	96	100	99	97	100	99
Harvested .....	--	--	1	3	4	18	--	1	6	--	--	1	1	1	3
Barley															
Headed .....	100	99	99	100	100	100	100	100	100	96	99	98	97	100	99
Harvested .....	--	--	2	13	29	39	--	7	11	3	--	2	2	2	5
Winter Wheat															
Harvested .....	6	22	18	18	26	39	10	17	30	--	2	13	5	16	19
Alfalfa															
Second Cutting....	33	35	36	83	78	90	61	88	87	32	18	42	54	56	64
Third Cutting.....	NA	NA	NA	18	8	17	4	26	21	--	--	2	6	10	12

Avg (2005 - 2009); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

**Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, August 1, 2010 <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	93	55	73	3	0.21	0.00	11.37	2.40	2061	982	-237
Grangeville	88	51	71	4	0.20	-0.01	14.68	2.30	1944	917	28
Lewiston	102	59	80	5	0.04	-0.10	7.31	1.84	2903	1576	-81
Porthill	92	51	71	5	0.54	0.33	12.78	5.28	1856	853	-148
Winchester	87	48	68	6	0.17	-0.11	12.85	0.78	1482	608	37
<b>Southwest</b>											
Boise	97	56	77	2	0.36	0.29	7.48	2.70	2591	1384	-222
Emmett	99	57	79	6	0.09	0.05	5.85	1.18	2481	1328	-246
Glenns Ferry	101	55	79	6	0.06	0.00	5.63	1.98	2514	1390	-184
Grandview	100	55	78	3	0.10	0.10	3.31	0.25	2654	1460	-338
Nampa	95	59	76	4	0.04	-0.03	4.89	0.86	2575	1380	-275
Parma	97	56	77	5	0.00	-0.07	3.27	-1.07	2686	1456	-96
<b>South Central</b>											
Fairfield	89	44	66	-1	0.91	0.77	5.20	-0.08	1421	589	-260
Malta	94	51	72	2	0.63	0.42	5.68	0.15	1922	938	-254
Picabo	92	50	71	3	0.02	-0.05	5.13	0.25	1757	847	-73
Rupert	91	53	72	2	0.58	0.51	6.80	2.66	1982	986	-248
Twin Falls	91	54	72	4	0.11	0.04	3.94	-0.28	2153	1111	-77
<b>East</b>											
Aberdeen	90	51	71	3	0.23	0.13	3.74	-0.54	1932	957	-86
Ashton	86	48	67	2	0.14	-0.07	6.38	-2.01	1501	637	-148
Fort Hall	96	49	72	3	0.08	-0.06	4.95	-0.59	1922	932	-246
Idaho Falls	93	52	72	4	0.35	0.21	5.74	0.65	2000	1003	-94
Lava Hot Springs	93	49	72	3	0.62	0.48	7.71	2.17	1923	963	-215
Monteview	88	48	69	1	0.33	0.19	4.25	-0.60	1672	753	-303
Preston	92	56	75	4	0.24	0.03	5.76	-0.98	2147	1144	-77
Rexburg	88	47	68	2	0.09	-0.05	4.65	-1.62	1637	704	-138

<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.