



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Winter Wheat Harvest Essentially Complete

Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from one degree to fourteen degrees above normal for the week. Only a few weather stations reported rainfall. Major agricultural activities for the week include caring for livestock, cutting alfalfa, and harvesting small grains, legumes and potatoes.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is at 9% very short, 34% short, 57% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Field Crop Report

Many pulse crop harvests are well behind last year and the five-year average. Dry bean, dry pea and lentil harvest trail their five year average by twenty-eight, thirty-four and fourth-three percentage points, respectively. Farm operators in Twin Falls County report early potatoes are small and yields of some varieties are lower than average according to the U of I extension educator. The Caribou County Extension educator reports lower elevation grain farms are finishing up harvest while higher elevation grain fields still have some time before harvest is finished.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Potato	--	--	13	75	12
Range and Pasture	1	11	30	43	15
Irr. Water Supply	--	1	7	40	52

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2011	2010	Avg.
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	41	61	65
Oats Harvested for Grain	72	77	84
Onions Harvested	30	43	36
Dry Peas Harvested	61	85	95
Dry Beans Harvested	19	37	47
Lentils Harvested	50	82	93
Alfalfa 4 th cutting	2	26	28
Corn Harvested for Silage	6	13	17

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Harvested.....	96	97	99	100	100	100	100	95	99	95	96	98	97	96	99
Planted.....	--	1	5	15	19	14	10	3	12	7	18	20	5	8	12
Spring Wheat															
Harvested.....	73	82	94	100	100	100	98	87	96	86	57	81	85	67	87
Barley															
Harvested.....	78	89	96	100	100	100	95	82	95	76	70	79	82	75	85
Potato															
Harvested.....	NA	NA	NA	47	41	43	5	19	16	1	2	2	5	8	8
Alfalfa															
Third Cutting	NA	NA	NA	81	98	93	77	91	90	36	31	40	61	68	70

Avg (2006 – 2010); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, September 11, 2011 ^{1/}

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
North											
Coeur D' Alene	91	48	70	8	0.00	-0.28	13.14	2.45	3048	1664	-295
Grangeville	88	50	70	12	0.00	-0.42	17.50	3.24	2902	1564	97
Lewiston	98	57	78	12	0.00	-0.21	7.93	1.37	4061	2377	-183
Porthill	91	40	65	8	0.00	-0.35	10.17	0.88	2925	1524	-23
Winchester	89	45	70	14	0.00	-0.33	14.68	0.92	2297	1101	91
Southwest											
Boise	93	47	71	6	0.00	-0.19	7.54	2.07	3756	2160	-296
Emmett	92	48	73	9	0.00	-0.21	7.97	2.57	3727	2198	-168
Glenns Ferry	94	47	70	7	0.03	-0.11	7.71	3.48	3803	2296	-77
Grandview	91	42	67	3	0.00	-0.14	4.63	1.04	3760	2168	-474
Nampa	92	45	70	6	0.00	-0.15	4.52	-0.22	3738	2192	-273
Parma	93	45	71	9	0.00	-0.21	5.19	-0.02	3879	2278	-52
South Central											
Fairfield	83	36	60	4	0.02	-0.19	4.69	-1.50	2373	1153	-207
Malta	86	39	63	3	0.01	-0.20	6.91	0.14	3032	1660	-198
Picabo	84	44	65	8	0.00	-0.20	6.08	0.39	2845	1563	88
Rupert	85	42	65	5	0.05	-0.09	5.19	0.36	3124	1731	-177
Twin Falls	88	48	67	8	0.00	-0.14	6.13	1.24	3365	1930	109
East											
Aberdeen	85	43	62	4	0.00	-0.14	3.64	-1.45	3001	1649	32
Ashton	84	38	62	6	0.05	-0.29	9.64	-0.33	2396	1170	-72
Fort Hall	88	42	65	5	0.00	-0.21	8.87	2.19	3058	1683	-133
Idaho Falls	86	40	65	6	0.00	-0.21	5.91	-0.17	3140	1747	38
Lava Hot Springs	85	42	64	4	0.00	-0.21	13.57	6.89	2865	1579	-237
Monteview	83	32	59	1	0.00	-0.17	3.88	-2.00	2570	1289	-326
Preston	84	46	66	5	0.00	-0.26	12.29	4.27	3236	1857	-47
Rexburg	85	31	60	4	0.00	-0.27	7.76	0.32	2599	1287	-39

1/ 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 or call 1-888-798-9955.