



Crop Progress and Condition



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Heat and Sun Improved Idaho Pasture Conditions

There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho last week, up from 4.5 the previous week. Spring work started in northern Idaho. Planting began on higher ground. The Kootenai River Valley low lands were too wet to start field work. Pastures and winter wheat fields were in good condition. Irrigation started around Jerome and Twin Falls Counties. Cereal planting wrapped up. Corn planting started, but many growers waited for warmer soils. Sugarbeets were emerging. Recent heat in Cassia, Minidoka, Jerome, and Twin Falls Counties improved rangeland conditions. Power County had a cold and windy weekend. Warm temperatures and sunshine in Teton County melted snow in the valley and greened up pastures. Soil moisture was good.

Drier Weather Pattern Continued in Oregon

There were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, up from 5.2 the previous week. This dry weather pattern allowed Oregon crop producers to commence fieldwork in earnest. The state reported another noticeable uptick in planting progress. In the northern coastal region, final applications of broadleaf herbicides on grass seed fields were completed. Several grass fields were cut and put up as haylage and silage. Some fields were dry enough that chopper blowers and trucks were used to haul the grass to silage pits. Spray applications for bud worm in mature hazelnut orchards were completed. In Polk County, potatoes were planted, early greens were harvested, and summer cucurbits were seeded in greenhouses. The better weather pattern came with some cold nights. Blueberries were several weeks or more behind. Well-managed pastures were in excellent condition. In north central Oregon, conditions were ideal to get out in the field to spray or seed spring grain. Pastures were growing and looked great. Cows finished calving. Calves were branded and cattle were moved to new pastures. In northeastern Oregon, winter canola started blooming. Conditions were windy and cool. In southwestern Oregon, the dry spell also allowed field work to progress rapidly. Field crops looked good despite excess rainfall over the past month. Orchard spraying was going strong. Grapevines started to put on some length. Vegetable crop planting was underway and going strong. Area soils were fully recharged and local reservoirs full. In southeastern Oregon, some irrigation districts were flowing water to ditches in Malheur County. Cool weather at the end of the week slowed crop development. Range conditions continued to improve. In Lake County, producers in the northern portion of the county started fertilizing their pivot circles. In Klamath County, northern alfalfa and grass hay producers estimated they were about a month behind due to excessive moisture. Ground preparation was still underway in the southern portion of the county. Alfalfa looked healthy, as well as pastures. There were a few reports of livestock loss due to the February storms.

Varied Weather with Varied Results in Washington

There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, up from 5.2 the previous week. More rain helped with the dry spring in Island, San Juan, and Skagit Counties. Fieldwork slowly increased and fruit trees were in their final stretch for blossoms. Farmers planted spring crops with full force. Drier weather in Whatcom County encouraged more field work. Some producers chopped their first cutting of grass for silage. Apples were in full bloom in Snohomish County. Field work resumed, even on fields that were still too saturated for tillage. Early crops were planted under row cover. The majority of spring wheat in Benton County was planted. Producers in Kittitas and Yakima Counties had to use frost control measures because temperatures dropped to 27 degrees Fahrenheit in the evenings. Klickitat County had warm temperatures and heavy winds on Saturday. Alfalfa seeding started. Spring wheat seeding in the Bickleton area also started. Spokane and Pend Oreille Counties had rain, which delayed progress in the fields. Some fields in Lincoln County were still too wet to access. Producers in Douglas County that were in their chemical fallow year sprayed glyphosate, while other producers harrowed. Most producers were still waiting for better conditions to start field work. Winds in Franklin County and the Palouse damped producers' abilities to spray crops. There was heavy spraying during calm periods. Spring seeding continued.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/28/19

| Item and State | Very short | Short | Adequate | Surplus |
|------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Topsoil moisture | | | | |
| Idaho..... | - | 4 | 73 | 23 |
| Oregon..... | - | 1 | 82 | 17 |
| Washington..... | - | 5 | 84 | 11 |
| Subsoil moisture | | | | |
| Idaho..... | - | 1 | 76 | 23 |
| Oregon..... | - | 4 | 81 | 15 |
| Washington..... | - | 3 | 88 | 9 |

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/28/19

| Crop and State | Very poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Pasture and range | | | | | |
| Idaho..... | - | 6 | 28 | 34 | 32 |
| Oregon..... | - | 14 | 29 | 41 | 16 |
| Washington..... | - | 9 | 37 | 49 | 5 |
| Winter wheat | | | | | |
| Idaho..... | - | 3 | 31 | 51 | 15 |
| Oregon..... | 2 | 8 | 25 | 33 | 32 |
| Washington..... | - | 1 | 31 | 60 | 8 |

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 04/28/19

| Crop and activity | Percent completed | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| | This week | Last week | Last year | 5 Year average |
| Spring wheat planted..... | 61 | 40 | 61 | 71 |
| Spring wheat emerged..... | 10 | - | 13 | 34 |
| Winter wheat headed..... | 1 | - | 2 | 2 |
| Barley planted..... | 66 | 44 | 65 | 73 |
| Barley emerged..... | 21 | 8 | 24 | 40 |
| Oats planted..... | 44 | 28 | 42 | 59 |
| Oats emerged..... | 12 | 1 | 16 | 28 |
| Potatoes planted..... | 50 | 26 | 50 | 40 |
| Potatoes emerged..... | 2 | - | 1 | (NA) |
| Sugarbeets planted..... | 94 | 70 | 82 | 80 |
| Sugarbeets emerged..... | 30 | 3 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Field corn planted..... | 37 | 25 | 21 | 29 |
| Dry peas planted..... | 8 | 2 | 24 | 35 |
| Onions emerged..... | 10 | - | (NA) | (NA) |

-Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 04/28/19

| Crop and activity | Percent completed | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| | This week | Last week | Last year | 5 Year average |
| Spring wheat planted..... | 62 | 51 | 91 | 86 |
| Spring wheat emerged..... | 31 | 12 | 68 | 64 |
| Winter wheat headed..... | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| Barley planted..... | 63 | 41 | 86 | 82 |
| Barley emerged..... | 29 | 10 | 52 | 56 |
| Oats planted..... | 65 | 54 | 69 | (NA) |
| Oats emerged..... | 34 | 18 | 40 | (NA) |
| Potatoes planted..... | 70 | 59 | 70 | (NA) |
| Potatoes emerged..... | 16 | 15 | 8 | (NA) |
| Sugarbeets planted..... | 72 | 65 | 91 | (NA) |
| Sugarbeets emerged..... | 25 | 20 | 10 | (NA) |
| Field corn planted..... | 28 | 18 | 36 | (NA) |
| Field corn emerged..... | 5 | - | 2 | (NA) |
| Dry peas planted..... | 82 | 78 | 74 | (NA) |
| Dry peas emerged..... | 13 | 10 | 13 | (NA) |
| Onions planted..... | 80 | 58 | 85 | (NA) |
| Onions emerged..... | 38 | 25 | 10 | (NA) |

-Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

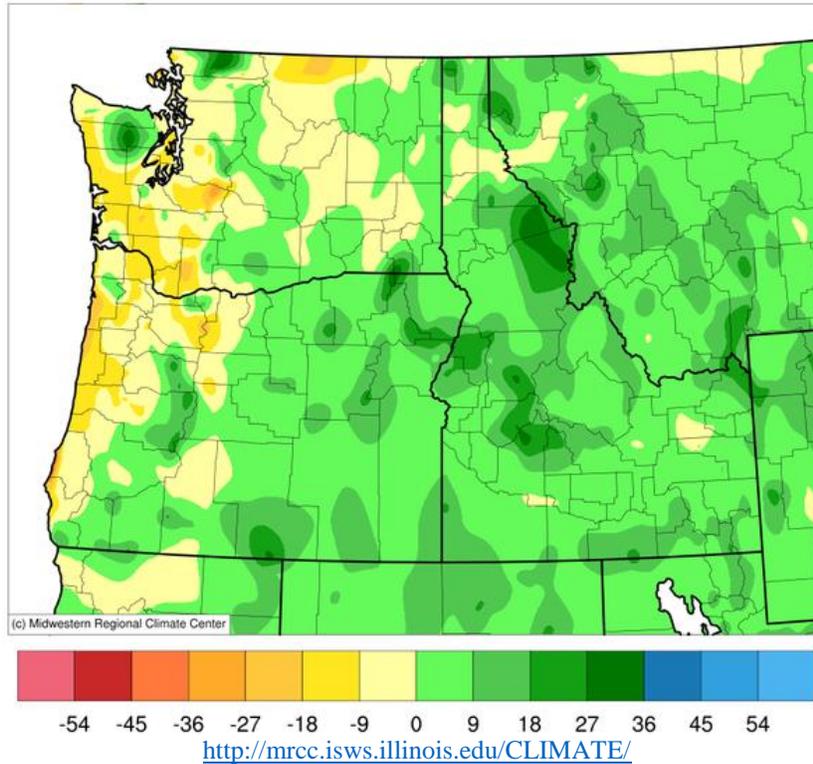
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 04/28/19

| Crop and activity | Percent completed | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| | This week | Last week | Last year | 5 Year average |
| Spring wheat planted..... | 52 | 27 | 72 | 73 |
| Spring wheat emerged..... | 4 | - | 26 | 36 |
| Winter wheat headed..... | 1 | - | - | 2 |
| Barley planted..... | 39 | 21 | 51 | 54 |
| Barley emerged..... | 6 | 1 | 16 | 24 |
| Oats planted..... | 30 | 29 | 16 | (NA) |
| Oats emerged..... | 5 | 1 | - | (NA) |
| Potatoes planted..... | 52 | 31 | 66 | 70 |
| Potatoes emerged..... | 1 | - | - | 8 |
| Sugarbeets planted..... | 57 | 42 | 76 | (NA) |
| Field corn planted..... | 22 | 16 | 25 | 40 |
| Field corn emerged..... | - | - | 1 | 4 |
| Dry peas planted..... | 31 | 16 | 37 | 49 |
| Onions planted..... | 73 | 44 | 77 | (NA) |
| Onions emerged..... | 19 | 5 | - | (NA) |

-Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

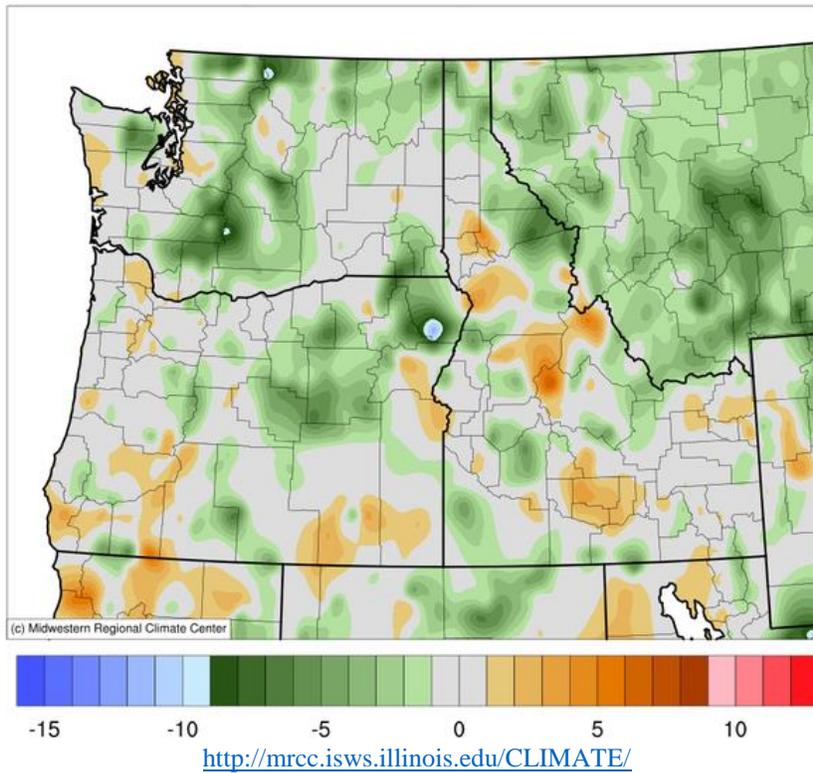
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

September 01, 2018 to April 28, 2019



Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

April 22, 2018 to April 28, 2019



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