



Crop Progress and Condition



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Idaho Cereal Harvest Close to Complete

There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork, unchanged from the previous week. Grain harvest in Idaho was finishing up, benefiting from the warm, dry weather. Very few hay producers in northern Idaho harvested their third cutting of alfalfa. Potato harvest started in southern Idaho. Producers harvested the first few fields of dry beans.

Above Average Temperatures in Most of Oregon

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, unchanged from the previous week. In northwest Oregon, horticultural crops looked good. Livestock conditions were generally good. Irrigated grass fields continued to produce cuttings for silage. Grain crops were mostly harvested. In Polk County's small vegetable farms, peak production under high tunnels was reached for tomatoes, peppers, and eggplant. Winter squash was beginning to cure in the field. There was low flea beetle pressure in fall brassica crops. Bird pressure on fall lettuce and greens required replanting. In north central Oregon, it was extremely dry. Producers worked on spraying weeds and prepping fields for seeding. In southwest Oregon, the hot dry summer continued with temperatures a little cooler last week, topping out around 90 degrees Fahrenheit. The hot spell and heavy irrigation knocked river levels down and allowed only the longest water rights holders to continue irrigating. All remaining vineyard, orchard, and vegetable crop water rights holders were watering hard in advance of the extreme heat expected Tuesday of the coming week. Bartlett pear harvest began. Most mid to late season peach varieties were picked. Spotted Wing Drosophila (SWD) continued to be problematic for those producers who did not start controlling their problems at first color on raspberry and blueberry crops. The heat of late summer knocked the SWD population back pretty hard. The Brown Marmorated Stink Bug pressure was slow to develop this year. In Malheur County, bean and onion harvests were underway. In Lake County, grain harvest started. Fall calving also began. In Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson Counties, lots of hay was cut down last week. There were a few minor showers. Arnold and Lone Pine Irrigation Districts were shut down in Deschutes and Crook Counties. Other irrigation districts were shut down, but may try to restart in three weeks.

Washington Crops Harvested in Beautiful Summer Weather

There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, the same as reported the previous two weeks. In western Washington, favorable weather was reported. Hay was baled and grain was harvested. Most fields appeared to have adequate moisture. Crops planted after early June looked good. Most of the moisture from the rain event last week was gone from the topsoil. Berry crop harvest wrapped up across western Washington. Some blueberries remained. Early apples were harvested. Plums and pears were close behind. Ponds used for irrigation continued to drop as water was used. Livestock were still on pasture, but some farms supplemented with feed. In central Washington, Yakima County experienced beautiful summer weather. Highs in the upper 80s and nighttime lows in the 50s were observed. Peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers, melons, summer squashes, sweet corn, and winter squashes were harvested. The harvest of early ripening apple varieties continued with Gala and Golden Delicious varieties. Hop cones dried nicely as the harvest started with a bang this weekend. In northeast Washington, evening temperatures started to cool off. It was dry and some fires were reported in the area. East central Washington and southeast Washington reported normal crop progress. The grain harvest continued with winter wheat looking to wrap up soon.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/30/20

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho	35	40	25	-
Oregon	45	29	26	-
Washington.....	36	29	33	2
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho	35	35	29	1
Oregon	41	38	21	-
Washington.....	28	36	34	2

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/30/20

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	8	24	43	24	1
Oregon	34	42	15	9	-
Washington.....	22	24	39	13	2
Potatoes					
Idaho	-	-	1	61	38
Oregon	2	6	37	39	16
Washington.....	-	3	15	58	24
Corn					
Idaho	-	-	2	85	13
Oregon	2	3	17	64	14
Washington.....	2	3	17	66	12
Dry edible beans					
Idaho	-	5	26	68	1
Oregon	2	6	14	60	18
Washington.....	1	1	17	65	16
Onions					
Idaho	-	-	-	100	-
Oregon	1	5	11	69	14
Sugarbeets					
Idaho	-	-	2	79	19
Oregon	-	-	20	70	10
Washington.....	-	-	-	25	75
Dry edible peas					
Idaho	-	3	11	51	35

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 08/30/20

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested.....	72	52	62	76
Winter wheat harvested.....	94	83	93	95
Winter wheat planted.....	3	(NA)	-	1
Barley harvested.....	81	61	77	83
Oats harvested.....	78	64	75	81
Potatoes harvested.....	7	6	4	7
Field corn dough.....	84	64	73	85
Field corn dented.....	34	22	27	53
Field corn mature.....	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn harvested for silage.....	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested.....	4	3	20	28
Dry edible peas harvested.....	88	25	84	88
Onions harvested.....	10	-	29	25
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	64	53	63	68
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting.....	7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 08/30/20

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested.....	79	68	88	93
Winter wheat planted.....	1	(NA)	6	1
Barley harvested.....	75	67	90	89
Oats harvested.....	68	63	79	85
Potatoes harvested.....	35	30	40	44
Field corn silking.....	93	81	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn dough.....	52	35	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn dented.....	7	1	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn harvested for silage.....	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested.....	8	4	28	35
Onions harvested.....	22	13	28	23
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	83	75	72	70

(NA) Not available.

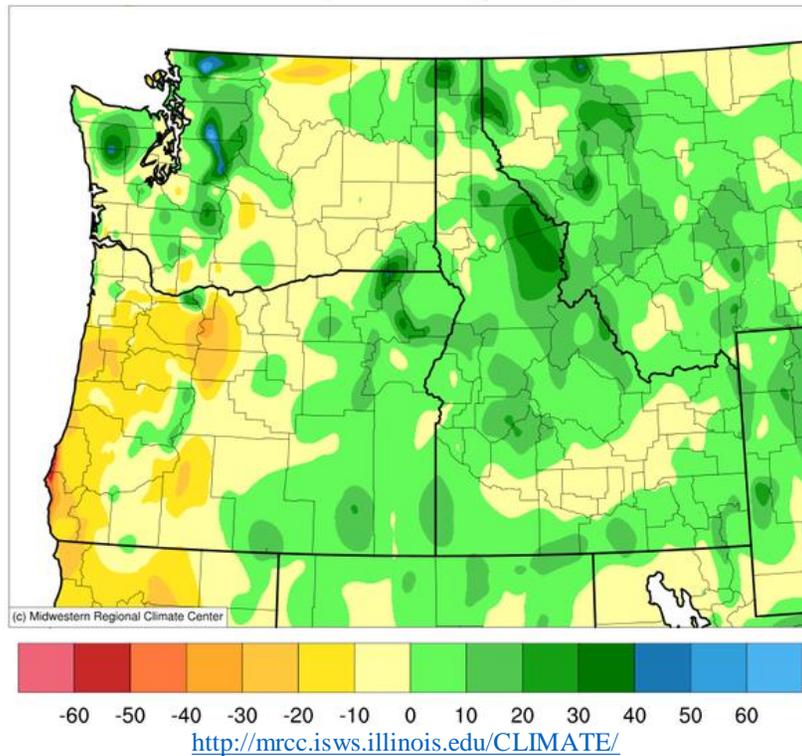
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 08/30/20

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested.....	62	48	57	80
Winter wheat harvested.....	88	82	89	96
Winter wheat planted.....	16	5	8	7
Barley harvested.....	67	57	56	79
Oats harvested.....	58	52	53	68
Potatoes harvested.....	41	39	20	30
Field corn dough.....	58	50	42	61
Field corn dented.....	18	8	5	17
Field corn mature.....	4	(NA)	(NA)	3
Field corn harvested for silage.....	2	(NA)	1	3
Dry edible beans harvested.....	31	30	14	35
Dry edible peas harvested.....	69	65	77	87
Onions harvested.....	60	55	25	38
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	68	56	82	84
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting.....	5	2	30	28

(NA) Not available.

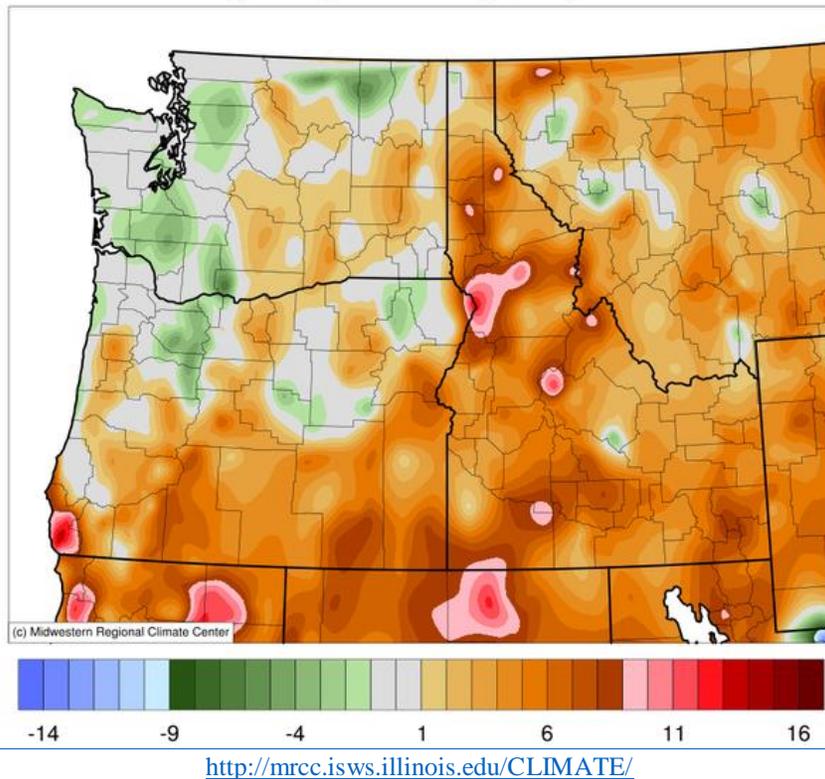
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

October 01, 2019 to August 30, 2020



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

August 24, 2020 to August 30, 2020



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