



Crop Progress and Condition



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Hot Summer Week in Idaho

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, unchanged from the previous week. Temperatures were above average throughout Idaho. Northern Idaho continued to experience high temperatures and no rain. Ada and Owyhee Counties experienced a severe Mormon cricket invasion causing issues across the counties. In the southwest region, the hot temperatures reduced the available topsoil and subsoil moisture. Range grasses moved towards setting seed but with reduced amounts of leaf and height. Jerome and Twin Falls Counties continued to rapidly harvest the second cutting of alfalfa with excellent drying weather. Corn started to silk. Winter wheat dried down, and spring cereal grains turned color. Temperatures neared 100 degrees and caused concern for bean crops.

Dry in Oregon

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, up from 6.8 days reported the previous week. Temperatures in Oregon were mostly above average. In the northwest region, temperatures were warm with dry conditions. Berries continued to be at risk from heat damage. Most grass seed and winter grains were harvested in the region. In Polk County, there were reports of harvest fires. In Clatsop County, corn had not tasseled yet. The north central region of Oregon experienced hot and windy conditions, with reports of several fires that burned rangeland and wheat. In Umatilla County, wheat harvest continued. In Malheur County, hot and dry weather persisted, with high temperatures exceeding 100 degrees. Sweet corn seed crops were detasseled. Alfalfa was cut and baled, and wheat harvest continued.

Drought Conditions Impact Washington

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, unchanged from 7.0 days reported the previous week. The continued drought in Western Washington has caused difficult farming conditions. Central Washington dealt with heat and lack of moisture that impacted wheat and forage crops. Forage crops had little regrowth; in some areas, cattle grazed fields that should have been a second cutting of hay. In Yakima County, daytime highs for the week started in the lower 80s but neared triple digits by the end of the week. The county received no rain, and several brushfires started throughout the county, with some fires shutting down interstate highways. Growers started peach harvest. There were late-maturing sweet cherries that passed through the packing houses. Pear growers moved bins into orchards to prepare for the Bartlett harvest. Vegetable harvest picked up with more cucumbers, summer squashes, peppers, sweet corn, and melons at roadside stands. Some early hop cones were maturing, and hop harvest was anticipated to start within the next couple of weeks. In east central Washington, producers geared up for harvest. Northeast Washington experienced continued dry conditions, and harvest was expected to begin soon. Southeast Washington experienced warm temperatures and high winds, with harvest already in full swing.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 07/23/23

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	3	35	62	-
Oregon.....	32	39	29	-
Washington.....	47	33	20	-
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	4	31	64	1
Oregon.....	28	39	33	-
Washington.....	39	34	27	-

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 07/23/23

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	1	9	31	39	20
Oregon	3	14	61	16	6
Washington.....	2	33	41	24	-
Winter wheat					
Idaho	2	15	37	42	4
Oregon	8	28	39	25	-
Washington.....	3	15	35	44	3
Spring wheat					
Idaho	1	6	30	60	3
Oregon	7	34	38	21	-
Washington.....	2	25	33	38	2
Barley					
Idaho	-	2	21	74	3
Oregon	5	10	51	33	1
Washington.....	1	11	38	50	-
Oats					
Idaho	-	-	18	80	2
Oregon	1	13	50	34	2
Potatoes					
Idaho	-	2	19	75	4
Oregon	-	-	29	54	17
Washington.....	-	-	43	42	15
Corn					
Idaho	-	-	10	85	5
Oregon	-	2	28	58	12
Washington.....	-	3	30	53	14
Dry edible beans					
Idaho	-	12	44	40	4
Washington.....	-	3	44	46	7
Onions					
Idaho	-	-	-	90	10
Oregon	-	5	24	61	10
Washington.....	-	-	28	72	-
Sugarbeets					
Idaho	-	-	16	77	7
Oregon	-	-	20	70	10
Dry edible peas					
Idaho	-	9	46	45	-
Oregon	15	30	32	23	-
Washington.....	-	6	47	46	1

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 07/23/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	1	-	-	-
Winter wheat harvested	12	5	2	11
Barley headed.....	97	90	96	93
Barley harvested	1	-	-	1
Oats headed	93	82	92	91
Oats harvested	1	-	2	(NA)
Dry edible peas harvested	9	4	26	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	60	35	47	58
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	1	-	3	(NA)

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 07/23/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	16	1	1	(NA)
Winter wheat harvested	44	15	16	31
Barley harvested	7	-	1	6
Oats harvested	1	-	-	7
Potatoes harvested	1	-	-	7
Dry edible peas harvested	53	30	14	51
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	75	51	64	70
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	7	-	8	(NA)

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

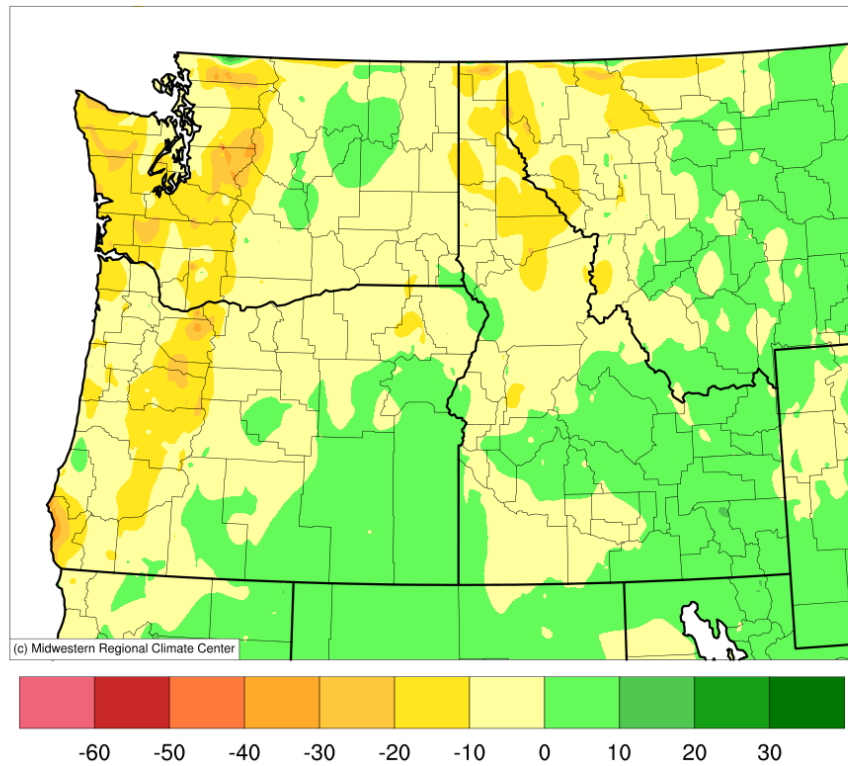
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 07/23/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	4	-	-	3
Winter wheat harvested	20	6	5	18
Barley harvested	5	1	1	4
Potatoes harvested	1	-	-	(NA)
Dry edible peas harvested	8	-	12	19
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	67	50	39	78
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	10	2	3	(NA)

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(NA) Not available.

Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

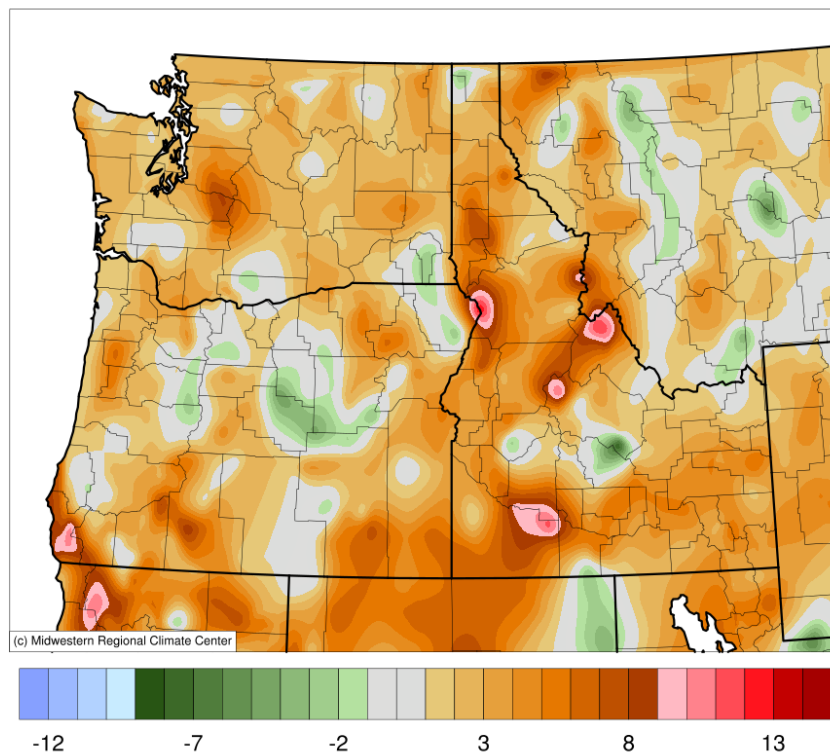
October 01, 2022 to July 23, 2023



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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

July 17, 2023 to July 23, 2023



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