

Crop Progress and Condition



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Significant Progress in Idaho

There were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, down from 6.4 days reported the previous week. The majority of Idaho experienced warmer than average temperatures for the week. In south central Idaho, some rain fell, and wide temperature swings were observed. Daytime highs reached the 80s for several days but fell to near freezing temperatures overnight. Alfalfa showed strong growth, and pasture growth made significant gains. Some winter triticale had been sprayed out in some fields, and corn was being planted as fast as possible. Large rainstorms were observed over the weekend in northern Idaho. In Fremont, Madison, and Clark Counties, field activities included spreading fertilizer in some areas while others planted seed in full swing.

Planting and Growth in Oregon

There were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, down from 6.4 days reported the previous week. Warm weather allowed for more fieldwork, with rain in some counties slowing down fieldwork later in the week. Rain fell in northwest Oregon, slowing the pollination of fruit crops, with concerns about possible disease. In north central and northeast Oregon, moisture and warmer temperatures encouraged pastures and crops to grow. Producers moved cattle out of winter pastures to utilize the new growth in their pastures. Winter canola continued to bloom and grew very well. In southwest Oregon, a few days of sunshine encouraged grass growth, followed by rain. In the southeast region, warm conditions early in the week encouraged quick germination and emergence. Field operations and crop growth slowed over the weekend with cool, rainy conditions. There were reports of cattle being turned out, and the brassica seed crop began to flower.

Some Rain, But Good Growth in Washington

There were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 7.0 days reported last week. Western Washington saw good grass growth and leafing out on raspberry and blueberry plants. Farmers continued to prepare fields for planting. In Skagit County, activities were behind because of the cold and wet spring conditions. Some parts of central Washington saw precipitation during the week but mostly warm temperatures. In the upper Yakima Valley, cherries, apples, and pears were in full bloom. In the lower Yakima Valley, cherries, peaches, plums, and pears were well into post-bloom. Most apples were post-bloom, with a few varieties still in the advanced stages of bloom. Wine and juice grape canes put on about a foot of growth and were still standing upright. Hops bines started to work their way up the trellis, but some hop yards were burned back as producers sought to extend the hop harvest times. Asparagus harvest was in full swing, and vegetable crews laid out irrigation and black plastic. Warm weather encouraged grass growth, and cattle were out grazing. In northeast Washington, there were scattered thunderstorms, and cattle were moved out onto spring pasture. In east central Washington, producers saw some precipitation that improved soil moisture and condition. In Douglas County, producers with snow mold kill have re-seeded spring wheat. Southeast Washington received much needed rain.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 05/07/23

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Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	9 2	3 22 11	84 63 81	13 6 6
Subsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	3 8 4	20 21 20	64 66 74	13 5 2

⁻ Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 05/07/23

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range Idaho Oregon Washington	- 10 19	11 23 27	31 39 23	57 23 28	1 5 3
Winter wheat Idaho Oregon Washington		6 20 8	49 37 24	40 32 63	5 4 3
Spring wheat Oregon	2	3	56	33	6
Onions Idaho Oregon	- -	- 7	- 55	90 27	10 11

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 05/07/23

	Percent completed			
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year
	week	week	year	average
Spring wheat planted	63	45	70	81
Spring wheat emerged	38	12	37	37
Winter wheat headed	-	-	1	2
Barley planted	65	47	70	82
Barley emerged	40	13	40	43
Oats planted	51	27	66	68
Oats emerged	20	7	34	34
Potatoes planted	54	28	64	60
Potatoes emerged	6	(NA)	5	7
Sugarbeets planted	95	71	94	92
Sugarbeets emerged	23	4	38	41
Field corn planted	29	3	27	44
Field corn emerged	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans planted	16	1	27	(NA)
Dry edible peas planted	58	40	63	66
Dry edible peas emerged	21	6	34	(NA)
Onions planted	95	90	(NA)	(NA)
Onions emerged	80	40	95	76

⁻ Represents zero. (NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 05/07/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed				
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average	
Spring wheat planted	90	73	(NA)	(NA)	
Spring wheat emerged	64	45	76	80	
Winter wheat headed	-	-	-	9	
Barley planted	80	58	88	(NA)	
Barley emerged	48	24	56	72	
Oats planted	70	47	82	86	
Oats emerged	35	15	55	65	
Potatoes planted	75	58	73	87	
Potatoes emerged	40	29	19	40	
Sugarbeets emerged	78	25	84	61	
Field corn planted	53	32	43	58	
Field corn emerged	25	(NA)	12	26	
Dry edible peas planted	94	88	87	(NA)	
Dry edible peas emerged	55	38	38	60	
Onions planted	95	88	92	(NA)	
Onions emerged	75	45	66	65	
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	

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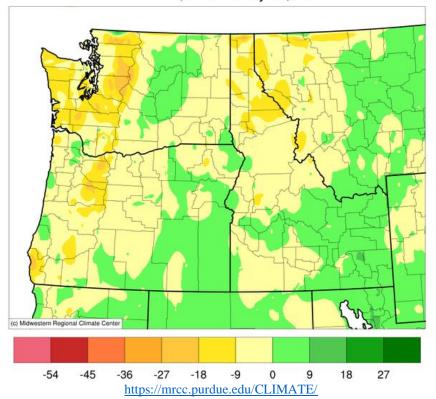
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 05/07/23

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average	
Spring wheat planted	89	74	84	85	
Spring wheat emerged	52 1	38	48	3	
Barley planted	76	55	74	76	
Barley emerged	35	12	28	45	
Potatoes planted	74	56	59	77	
Potatoes emerged	25	18	8	16	
Field corn planted	39	34	32	55	
Field corn emerged	13	8	(NA)	(NA)	
Dry edible beans planted	45	19	58	(NA)	
Dry edible beans emerged	8	3	(NA)	(NA)	
Dry edible peas planted	65	25	70	70	
Dry edible peas emerged	16	4	22	(NA)	
Onions planted	86	69	81	87	
Onions emerged	41	15	21	30	

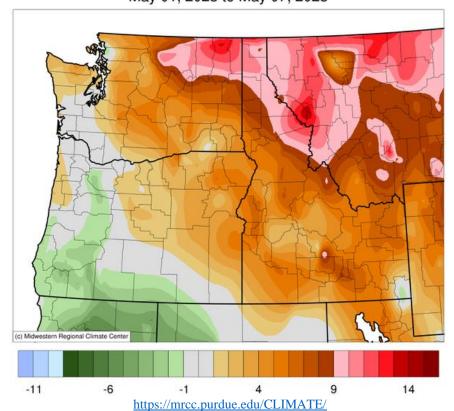
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Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2022 to May 07, 2023



Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals May 01, 2023 to May 07, 2023





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