



# Crop Progress and Condition



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## Field Work Was Near Completion as Several Hard Frosts Hit Idaho

Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.8. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 8% very poor, 16% poor, 36% fair, 37% good, and 3% excellent. Low temperatures were reported at 15 degrees Fahrenheit in the eastern region and a high temperature of 69 degrees Fahrenheit in the southwest region with a statewide temperature differential of 2 degrees below normal to 6 degrees above normal. Most field work was complete and several hard frosts hit. A few warm days were reported in Caribou County, which allowed farmers to finish up more fall field work. Cattle were all moved from summer ranges to fall pastures. Powers County reported receiving their first killing frosts.

## Fall Showers Continued throughout Washington

There were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Pasture conditions were reported as 19% very poor, 40% poor, 27% fair, and 14% good. Rain and cooler temperatures were reported throughout western Washington. Some fields were reported to be muddy with standing water. Most producers had completed harvest with cover crops in the ground throughout the district. Some grass was reported growing during mild temperatures. Christmas tree farms continued to prepare for Thanksgiving opening. Scattered showers were reported throughout central Washington. Cooler temperatures slowed winter wheat emergence. Rain helped pastures, but pastures continued to need more precipitation. No concerns were reported regarding possible crop damage or cattle losses due to weather conditions. Cattle continued to be fed supplemental hay. Major agricultural activities consisted of producers cleaning fields and orchards in preparation for winter. Scattered showers were reported throughout eastern Washington. Dry corn and processing carrot harvest continued. Winter wheat seedings continued to look good in some areas while other areas were sparse and short. Some fall activity was slowed down due to high wind and rain conditions during the week. Winter wheat emerged was reported to be shorter than historic average in the Palouse. Reports continued to suggest the need of more precipitation.

## **Significant Rainfall Improved Dry Conditions in Oregon**

There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 14% very poor, 43% poor, 36% fair, and 7% good. In the northwestern region, significant rains improved dry conditions. Some slug issues were reported on newly seeded pastures, small grains, and seed crops. Fresh vegetable harvest was near completion. Winter fresh market brassicas looked poor. The region also experienced cooler temperatures. Winter gardens were still going strong. Mulching and pruning continued on berry and fruit crops. Rain stopped field work for fall grains and clover planting in Washington County. Low temperatures were reported at 32 degrees Fahrenheit and the high temperature was 63 degrees Fahrenheit. Planting was winding down in Baker County and cattle were being shipped. The southeastern region received some precipitation in the form of snow. The southwestern region reported significant rainfall with over an inch reported in Brookings and nearly two inches in Bandon. Creeks and rivers remain low, but were improving. Cattle continued to be shipped. Some fall growth in grazing land was evident with moisture and relatively warm temperatures. The low temperature was 36 degrees Fahrenheit and the high was 62 degrees Fahrenheit. Light rain was reported in Douglas County. Nearly all field work was complete. Fall seeded crops germinated and emerged well. Not enough rain was received to get subsoil moisture levels recharged or for river levels to rise. Nurseries were digging trees before heavier rains arrived. The lowest temperature reported in the state was 11 degrees Fahrenheit in south central Oregon. The highest temperature reported was 70 degrees Fahrenheit in north central Oregon.

**Soil Moisture and Irrigation Water Supply — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/15/15**

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho .....	5	20	69	6
Oregon .....	23	45	31	1
Washington.....	20	38	38	4
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho .....	10	31	58	1
Oregon .....	31	47	22	-
Washington.....	11	51	35	3

- Represents zero.

**Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/15/15**

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter wheat					
Idaho .....	-	-	34	51	15
Oregon .....	-	18	68	14	-
Washington.....	4	13	42	38	3

- Represents zero.

**Weekly Weather Statistics — Idaho: November 9 - November 15, 2015**

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation			
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days
					Total	DFN							
<b>NORTH</b>													
Coeur d' Alene .....	29	53	42	+5	0	+0	0.77	-0.01	4	2.77	-1.57	64	24
Fenn .....	32	50	39	+0	0	+0	1.61	+0.45	5	7.85	+0.51	107	27
Lewiston .....	31	60	47	+6	5	+5	0.46	+0.18	4	2.20	-0.17	93	19
Bonnars Ferry .....	26	53	41	+6	0	+0	0.97	+0.27	5	3.20	-0.97	77	23
Nezperce .....	29	52	39	+4	0	+0	0.35	-0.14	6	4.30	+0.53	114	32
<b>SOUTHWEST</b>													
Boise .....	27	69	44	+4	0	+0	0.58	+0.26	4	3.16	+1.01	147	32
Emmett .....	27	59	40	-2	0	+0	0.44	+0.02	2	1.78	-0.62	74	15
Glenns Ferry .....	26	59	41	+2	0	+0	0.53	+0.25	3	3.03	+1.24	169	16
Grand View .....	22	61	41	+2	0	+0	0.06	-0.15	3	1.99	+0.52	135	16
Nampa .....	28	59	42	+2	0	+0	0.14	-0.18	4	2.57	+0.80	145	18
Parma .....	29	57	41	+3	0	+0	0.36	+0.08	2	1.76	-0.14	93	14
<b>SOUTH CENTRAL</b>													
Fairfield .....	17	51	32	+0	0	+0	0.27	-0.15	1	3.43	+1.11	148	15
Malta .....	16	59	37	+2	0	+0	0.07	-0.14	3	1.75	-0.36	83	17
Picabo .....	18	53	35	+4	0	+0	0.14	-0.21	1	2.76	+0.46	120	15
Rupert .....	21	59	38	+2	0	+0	0.03	-0.21	1	1.56	-0.27	85	12
Twin Falls .....	25	61	40	+3	0	+0	0.01	-0.27	1	2.30	+0.30	115	13
<b>EAST</b>													
Aberdeen .....	22	55	37	+4	0	+0	0.00	-0.19	0	2.04	+0.00	100	12
Ashton .....	18	53	34	+3	0	+0	0.04	-0.45	2	3.38	-0.19	95	16
Fort Hall .....	19	58	36	+3	0	+0	0.08	-0.14	3	2.37	-0.07	97	15
Idaho Falls .....	21	53	35	+3	0	+0	0.07	-0.14	1	2.19	+0.04	102	17
Lava Hot Springs .....	22	55	35	+1	0	+0	0.42	+0.08	2	5.22	+2.49	191	18
Monteview .....	18	49	31	+1	0	+0	0.01	-0.20	1	1.44	-0.19	88	15
Preston .....	22	54	37	+3	0	+0	0.13	-0.15	1	3.68	+0.16	105	18
Rexburg .....	15	56	33	+2	0	+0	0.06	-0.24	1	2.33	-0.27	90	12

**Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 11/15/15**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged .....	87	86	96	95
Sugarbeets harvested .....	98	92	99	99
Field corn harvested for grain .....	84	79	83	66
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	90	87	(NA)	(NA)

## Weekly Weather Statistics — Washington: November 9 - November 15, 2015

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation			
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days
					Total	DFN							
<b>WEST</b>													
Bellingham.....	30	55	47	+3	0	+0	2.20	+0.91	5	9.86	+2.37	132	40
Everett.....	36	56	45	+1	1	+1	2.92	+1.74	5	9.10	+1.35	117	42
Hoquiam.....	37	59	49	+4	8	+3	6.14	+3.74	7	16.09	+2.21	116	40
Kelso.....	39	57	48	+3	4	+4	3.39	+1.64	7	11.87	+2.33	124	35
Olympia.....	30	54	45	+3	0	+0	7.12	+5.21	5	17.93	+7.89	179	35
Sea-Tac.....	36	56	47	+2	2	+1	4.86	+3.48	6	12.19	+4.60	161	34
Shelton.....	31	58	44	+0	1	+1	6.96	+4.50	6	20.18	+7.55	160	41
Tacoma.....	33	57	47	+2	2	+2	4.17	+2.74	6	12.56	+4.71	160	36
Vancouver.....	37	60	49	+3	9	+5	0.88	-0.42	7	7.27	+0.13	102	32
<b>CENTRAL</b>													
Ellensburg.....	27	64	44	+7	0	+0	0.06	-0.22	2	0.97	-0.59	62	16
Omak.....	23	62	44	+9	4	+4	0.35	+0.03	3	1.18	-0.76	61	15
Stampede Pass.....	22	45	34	+4	0	+0	6.15	+3.19	7	20.40	+3.91	124	40
Wenatchee.....	31	67	45	+8	3	+3	0.17	-0.10	2	1.00	-0.39	72	15
Yakima AP.....	22	67	48	+10	18	+18	0.02	-0.19	1	0.63	-0.74	46	13
<b>NORTHEAST</b>													
Colville.....	23	59	43	+7	3	+3	0.79	+0.17	5	3.13	-0.32	91	24
Deer Park.....	20	54	41	+6	0	+0	0.56	-0.21	5	2.89	-1.43	67	21
Kettle Falls.....	25	59	42	+7	0	+0	0.49	+0.00	5	2.60	-0.81	76	25
Spokane.....	29	54	42	+7	1	+1	0.43	-0.10	5	2.35	-0.51	82	21
<b>EAST CENTRAL</b>													
Ephrata.....	24	64	45	+7	4	+4	0.01	-0.20	1	0.50	-0.77	39	14
Lind.....	24	58	44	+6	3	+3	0.24	-0.04	4	1.50	-0.38	80	18
Moses Lake.....	23	64	45	+7	8	+8	0.01	-0.20	1	0.59	-0.68	46	15
Quincy.....	27	63	46	+8	6	+6	0.40	+0.12	4	1.88	+0.40	127	20
Ritzville.....	25	57	41	+4	2	+2	0.25	-0.13	2	1.93	-0.33	85	16
<b>SOUTHEAST</b>													
Hanford.....	25	65	48	+6	17	+17	0.01	-0.20	1	0.25	-0.98	20	9
Lake Bryan Rice.....	33	68	50	+11	17	+17	0.28	-0.17	1	2.06	-0.47	81	15
Pasco.....	27	63	48	+4	9	+9	0.17	-0.07	1	0.83	-0.62	57	17
Pullman.....	30	56	43	+6	0	+0	0.93	+0.27	6	3.58	-0.11	97	19
Silcott Island.....	35	63	49	+9	13	+13	0.22	-0.06	2	2.01	-0.36	85	16
Walla Walla.....	37	66	50	+7	20	+20	0.71	+0.03	4	3.59	-0.39	90	23
Whitman Mission.....	33	64	47	+6	8	+8	0.71	+0.28	4	3.81	+1.11	141	27

## Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 11/15/15

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Winter wheat emerged.....	82	79	93	92
Field corn harvested for grain.....	84	75	71	76

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<b>COASTAL AREAS</b>													
Astoria .....	37	61	50	+4	12	+5	7.44	+4.98	6	20.29	+7.14	154	39
Bandon .....	36	62	50	+1	17	+3	2.37	+0.25	4	9.41	-0.26	97	33
Florence.....	36	59	48	-1	9	-2	2.00	-0.47	5	11.50	-1.02	92	29
North Bend.....	43	63	52	+2	12	-4	1.97	-0.45	5	5.98	-5.14	54	20
Tillamook .....	32	59	48	+2	10	+3	2.09	-1.11	6	12.26	-4.98	71	36
<b>WILLAMETTE VALLEY</b>													
Aurora.....	35	61	48	+3	12	+11	1.02	-0.48	6	8.44	+0.32	104	35
Corvallis.....	34	60	48	+3	11	+8	0.89	-0.71	5	6.59	-1.04	86	31
Detroit Lake .....	34	53	44	-1	0	+0	1.77	-1.51	5	13.47	-2.70	83	32
Eugene.....	35	61	48	+3	11	+11	0.85	-1.12	4	4.67	-4.08	53	27
Hillsboro.....	34	58	47	+1	8	+4	0.54	-0.81	5	5.67	-1.22	82	34
McMinnville .....	34	59	48	+3	11	+11	0.78	-0.63	6	7.45	+0.33	105	33
Portland .....	38	60	49	+3	11	+7	0.69	-0.61	6	6.71	-0.43	94	31
Salem .....	34	61	50	+4	13	+12	1.08	-0.41	5	7.06	-0.35	95	26
<b>SOUTHWESTERN VALLEYS</b>													
Grants Pass.....	32	57	46	+2	0	+0	0.45	-0.73	4	2.37	-2.88	45	18
Medford .....	31	59	45	+0	0	+0	0.34	-0.34	2	1.67	-1.76	49	13
Roseburg .....	39	62	51	+3	15	+1	1.03	-0.23	4	3.90	-1.92	67	23
<b>NORTH CENTRAL</b>													
Condon .....	29	61	44	+7	3	+3	0.55	+0.12	5	3.63	+1.01	139	30
Echo .....	32	69	48	+5	10	+10	0.01	-0.34	1	1.11	-0.77	59	11
Heppner.....	29	65	45	+4	8	+8	0.16	-0.26	1	1.44	-1.24	54	16
Hermiston .....	32	65	48	+6	5	+5	0.14	-0.21	2	1.48	-0.40	79	16
Madras.....	26	62	43	+4	2	+2	0.03	-0.33	2	1.06	-0.94	53	13
Moro .....	28	61	45	+5	5	+5	0.37	-0.01	3	1.24	-0.89	58	15
Parkdale .....	28	58	43	+3	0	+0	0.56	-0.73	4	6.74	+0.70	112	24
Pendleton .....	32	70	48	+7	13	+13	0.29	-0.08	1	1.92	-0.47	80	16
Prairie City.....	21	58	38	+5	0	+0	0.11	-0.54	4	1.85	-1.54	55	24
The Dalles .....	32	65	48	+5	8	+8	0.18	-0.32	3	1.28	-1.23	51	14
<b>SOUTH CENTRAL</b>													
Agency Lake.....	15	59	34	-4	0	+0	0.12	-0.53	1	1.66	-1.40	54	11
Bend .....	23	59	41	+4	0	+0	0.05	-0.29	1	1.06	-0.70	60	10
Burns .....	11	62	35	+2	0	+0	0.06	-0.21	1	0.92	-0.81	53	13
Christmas Valley.....	18	62	37	+1	0	+0	0.05	-0.23	2	1.21	-0.50	71	16
Klamath Falls.....	19	59	36	-2	0	+0	0.32	-0.10	2	1.61	-0.54	75	9
Lakeview.....	13	59	34	-3	0	+0	0.07	-0.35	2	1.11	-1.52	42	15
Lorella.....	13	61	34	-3	0	+0	0.10	-0.18	2	0.99	-1.08	48	12
Redmond.....	15	63	41	+1	0	+0	0.01	-0.20	1	0.95	-0.43	69	13
Worden.....	19	58	36	-2	0	+0	0.15	-0.27	1	1.69	-0.26	87	7
<b>NORTHEAST</b>													
Baker City.....	21	49	38	+3	0	+0	0.17	-0.04	3	1.52	-0.23	87	18
Joseph.....	21	55	38	+3	0	+0	0.59	+0.09	2	1.90	-1.43	57	14
La Grande.....	30	55	44	+6	1	+1	0.11	-0.42	3	2.01	-1.15	64	17
Imbler.....	31	55	42	+4	0	+0	0.24	-0.51	4	2.33	-1.88	55	23
<b>SOUTHEAST</b>													
Ontario.....	27	57	41	+4	0	+0	0.55	+0.27	2	1.81	+0.26	117	16
Rome.....	20	63	42	+4	2	+2	0.04	-0.17	2	2.70	+1.05	164	12

Summary based on NWS data.  
 Season cumulative precipitation starts: September 1, 2014.  
 DFN = Departure from normal.  
 NA = Data not available.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.  
 Precipitation days= Days with precipitation of 0.01 inch or more.  
 Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.  
 Normals period 1971-2000 used in DFN calculations.

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## Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 11/15/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted.....	97	93	100	100
Winter wheat emerged.....	68	62	79	81
Sugarbeets harvested.....	95	91	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

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