



Crop Progress and Condition



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Below Freezing Temperatures in Idaho Slow Field Work

Days suitable for fieldwork were 3.8. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 7% very poor, 18% poor, 35% fair, 35% good, and 5% excellent. Low temperatures were reported at -4 degrees Fahrenheit in the eastern region and a high temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit in the northern region with a statewide temperature differential of 8 degrees below normal to 3 degrees above normal. Most harvests were completed across the state, with few crops left in the fields. Most of the winter wheat crop had emerged and appeared in fair to good condition. The state corn grain harvest continued and was complete in most areas. Most fall tillage operations were completed. Reports in Jefferson and Madison Counties expressed concerns with the lack of fall moisture and the green bridge seen in the fields. Cattle continued to be on fall pastures and looked to be in good to very good condition. Idaho experienced a very cold week. Some areas experienced temperatures below zero. The cold weather and hard freezes stopped most farm activity.

Heavy Rains and High Winds Halted Field Work in Many Areas in Oregon

There were 3.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 11% very poor, 40% poor, 41% fair, and 8% good. In the northwestern region, heavy rains had most dairy animals confined. Several rivers along the north coast were out of their banks, limiting normal field activities. Cooler temperatures slowed pasture and grain growth. All annual fall crops were planted and coming up, and pastures were greening up with little growth in Linn County. Pruning and trimming continued. Cauliflower continued to ship to canneries. Supplemental feed kept cattle and calves looking good. Washington County experienced their first frost. The Tualatin River flooded lower fields and feeder roads. The Coast Range had a huge rain storm. In the north central region, Morrow County delayed winter wheat planting due to inadequate soil moisture. Livestock pastures were not as green as usual for fall. Sherman and Wasco County cereals reported wet and windy conditions. Colder temperatures slowed wheat development and emergence. Heavy winds were reported at 45 miles per hour in most areas, but one nanometer on Center Ridge reported sustained winds of 82 miles per hour, which toppled some field equipment. Some snow was also reported. In the northeastern region, high winds and rain limited field work. Additional acres of wheat on the west side of the county still needed to be planted. More precipitation was needed in Crook County. Snow and single-digit weather was forecasted for the coming week. In Klamath County, fall field work was still underway. Triticale and wheat was still being planted. In the southwestern region, Coos and Curry Counties received over an inch of rain. Low temperatures were a little below the 5-year average in both counties. High temperatures were 6 degrees Fahrenheit below the 5-year average in southern Curry County and slightly below the 5-year average in Coos County. Douglas County reported enough rain to recharge top soil which greatly improved lawns, pastures, fall seeded grain and cover crops. Rain halted field work for winter spraying and pruning. There were no reports of frost.

Windstorm Slowed Down Fall Fieldwork throughout Eastern Washington

There were 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Pasture conditions were reported as 28% very poor, 33% poor, 34% fair, and 5% good. Cooling temperatures slowed down plant growth throughout western Washington. There were reports of standing water throughout the district with some reports of crop damage. There were strong winds but no major damage was reported. Reports suggested a good year for cranberry crop. Vegetable producers reported to be done for the season. A few Christmas tree farms were reported to be open for business. Temperatures continued to cool down with some high winds reported throughout central Washington. Some rain and snow were reported in the higher elevations. No concerns were reported regarding possible crop damage or cattle losses due to weather conditions. A windstorm at the beginning of the week halted fall field work throughout eastern Washington. No reports of crop damage. Dry corn harvest continued. Temperatures continued to cool off throughout the district.

Soil Moisture and Irrigation Water Supply — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/22/15

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho	2	19	72	7
Oregon	23	32	44	1
Washington.....	15	36	47	2
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho	11	27	60	2
Oregon	28	48	24	-
Washington.....	15	44	40	1

- Represents zero.

Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/22/15

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter wheat					
Idaho	-	1	33	51	15
Oregon	-	15	70	15	-
Washington.....	5	13	44	36	2

- Represents zero.

Weekly Weather Statistics — Idaho: November 16 - November 22, 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							
NORTH													
Coeur d' Alene	22	60	37	+3	0	+0	0.90	+0.06	3	3.67	-1.51	71	27
Fenn	23	52	36	-2	0	+0	1.43	+0.24	5	9.28	+0.75	109	32
Lewiston	25	61	40	+2	0	+0	0.22	-0.07	5	2.42	-0.24	91	24
Bonnars Ferry	20	51	35	+2	0	+0	1.15	+0.38	2	4.62	-0.32	94	25
Nezperce	15	60	32	-3	0	+0	0.30	-0.18	4	4.60	+0.35	108	36
SOUTHWEST													
Boise	19	53	37	-2	0	+0	0.22	-0.13	5	3.37	+0.87	135	36
Emmett	13	54	34	-5	0	+0	0.38	-0.04	3	2.16	-0.66	77	18
Glenns Ferry	16	52	34	-4	0	+0	0.21	-0.07	3	3.22	+1.15	156	17
Grand View	14	56	35	-3	0	+0	0.16	-0.05	2	2.13	+0.45	127	16
Nampa	19	56	36	-2	0	+0	0.33	-0.02	4	2.85	+0.73	134	19
Parma	17	56	36	+1	0	+0	0.23	-0.07	3	1.98	-0.22	90	16
SOUTH CENTRAL													
Fairfield	6	44	29	+0	0	+0	0.64	+0.22	2	4.07	+1.33	149	17
Malta	9	52	35	+2	0	+0	0.31	+0.16	3	2.03	-0.23	90	18
Picabo	11	44	29	+1	0	+0	0.20	-0.15	3	2.96	+0.31	112	18
Rupert	14	48	33	-3	0	+0	0.19	-0.09	1	1.75	-0.36	83	13
Twin Falls	18	51	34	-2	0	+0	0.20	-0.08	2	2.49	+0.21	109	14
EAST													
Aberdeen	15	44	32	+1	0	+0	0.09	-0.05	2	2.13	-0.05	98	14
Ashton	-4	38	22	-8	0	+0	0.39	-0.10	4	3.77	-0.29	93	20
Fort Hall	13	45	31	-1	0	+0	0.26	+0.05	3	2.62	-0.03	99	17
Idaho Falls	8	56	30	-1	0	+0	0.19	-0.02	1	2.38	+0.02	101	18
Lava Hot Springs	10	51	31	-1	0	+0	0.21	-0.14	1	5.67	+2.59	184	19
Monteview	3	42	24	-4	0	+0	0.00	-0.21	0	1.44	-0.40	78	15
Preston	14	48	33	+2	0	+0	0.10	-0.18	1	3.78	-0.02	99	19
Rexburg	0	40	24	-5	0	+0	0.12	-0.16	3	2.45	-0.43	85	15

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 11/22/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged	91	87	99	98
Field corn harvested for grain	91	84	89	75
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	93	90	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

Weekly Weather Statistics — Washington: November 16 - November 22, 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							
WEST													
Bellingham.....	26	56	41	-3	0	+0	0.99	-0.34	5	10.85	+2.03	123	45
Everett.....	31	57	41	-3	0	+0	1.10	-0.16	4	10.20	+1.19	113	46
Hoquiam.....	34	57	45	+0	2	+2	3.26	+0.74	4	19.35	+2.95	118	44
Kelso.....	27	57	43	-2	0	+0	2.91	+1.05	4	14.78	+3.38	130	39
Olympia.....	21	57	41	-2	0	+0	3.31	+1.29	5	21.24	+9.18	176	40
Sea-Tac.....	33	56	43	-2	0	+0	1.39	-0.08	3	13.58	+4.52	150	37
Shelton.....	23	56	41	-3	0	+0	2.92	+0.29	4	23.10	+7.84	151	45
Tacoma.....	22	56	40	-4	0	+0	1.81	+0.29	5	14.37	+5.00	153	41
Vancouver.....	25	57	44	-2	0	+0	2.10	+0.70	5	9.37	+0.83	110	37
CENTRAL													
Ellensburg.....	18	57	36	+3	0	+0	0.41	+0.13	3	1.38	-0.46	75	19
Omak.....	19	51	35	+2	0	+0	0.37	+0.02	3	1.55	-0.74	68	18
Stampede Pass.....	15	44	29	-1	0	+0	2.00	-1.20	5	22.40	+2.71	114	45
Wenatchee.....	25	58	39	+4	0	+0	0.37	+0.09	2	1.37	-0.30	82	17
Yakima AP.....	18	70	38	+3	1	+1	0.33	+0.05	3	0.96	-0.69	58	16
NORTHEAST													
Colville.....	18	57	35	+2	0	+0	0.44	-0.26	3	3.57	-0.58	86	27
Deer Park.....	15	46	32	-2	0	+0	0.48	-0.38	2	3.37	-1.81	65	23
Kettle Falls.....	20	58	36	+3	0	+0	0.30	-0.24	2	2.90	-1.05	73	27
Spokane.....	20	58	35	+2	0	+0	0.07	-0.49	2	2.42	-1.00	71	23
EAST CENTRAL													
Ephrata.....	19	63	37	+2	0	+0	0.07	-0.21	2	0.57	-0.98	37	16
Lind.....	19	58	36	-1	0	+0	0.13	-0.20	2	1.63	-0.58	74	20
Moses Lake.....	15	63	37	+2	2	+2	0.02	-0.26	2	0.61	-0.94	39	17
Quincy.....	20	61	38	+2	0	+0	0.38	+0.10	3	1.63	-0.13	93	21
Ritzville.....	18	56	35	-2	0	+0	0.11	-0.31	3	2.04	-0.64	76	19
SOUTHEAST													
Hanford.....	19	53	37	-4	0	+0	0.13	-0.14	1	0.38	-1.12	25	10
Lake Bryan Rice.....	24	66	41	+4	3	+3	0.21	-0.28	2	2.27	-0.75	75	17
Pasco.....	22	66	41	-2	2	+2	0.06	-0.22	2	0.89	-0.84	51	19
Pullman.....	22	57	37	+2	0	+0	0.76	+0.06	5	4.34	-0.05	99	24
Silcott Island.....	25	61	41	+3	2	+2	0.17	-0.12	2	2.18	-0.48	82	18
Walla Walla.....	26	63	41	-1	0	+0	0.37	-0.33	4	3.96	-0.72	85	27
Whitman Mission.....	22	64	40	+1	2	+2	0.53	+0.04	5	4.34	+1.15	136	32

Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 11/22/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged.....	85	82	97	96
Field corn harvested for grain.....	98	84	82	83

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					Total	DFN							
COASTAL AREAS													
Astoria	34	63	47	+2	7	+7	3.52	+0.93	4	23.81	+8.07	151	43
Bandon	34	61	50	+2	11	-3	1.17	-1.12	3	10.58	-1.38	88	36
Florence.....	32	55	46	-2	1	-5	2.90	+0.23	4	14.40	-0.79	95	33
North Bend.....	37	63	50	+2	12	-2	1.13	-1.46	3	7.11	-6.60	52	23
Tillamook	30	59	45	-2	4	+2	3.58	+0.18	4	15.84	-4.80	77	40
WILLAMETTE VALLEY													
Aurora.....	27	58	43	-2	2	+2	2.42	+0.81	4	10.86	+1.13	112	39
Corvallis.....	28	58	44	-1	3	+3	1.91	+0.18	4	8.50	-0.86	91	35
Detroit Lake	28	54	41	-2	0	+0	2.39	-1.14	4	15.86	-3.84	81	36
Eugene.....	25	63	45	+2	7	+7	0.89	-1.24	4	5.56	-5.32	51	31
Hillsboro.....	24	57	42	-4	1	+1	2.00	+0.53	4	7.67	-0.69	92	38
McMinnville	28	58	44	-1	2	+2	2.91	+1.36	4	10.36	+1.69	119	37
Portland	28	58	44	-2	1	+1	2.02	+0.62	4	8.73	+0.19	102	35
Salem	27	57	45	+1	1	+1	1.62	+0.02	4	8.68	-0.33	96	30
SOUTHWESTERN VALLEYS													
Grants Pass.....	36	64	47	+6	6	+6	0.28	-1.01	4	2.65	-3.89	41	22
Medford	30	63	47	+5	6	+6	0.24	-0.49	4	1.91	-2.25	46	17
Roseburg	36	61	48	+2	9	+5	0.60	-0.76	4	4.50	-2.68	63	27
NORTH CENTRAL													
Condon	22	58	39	+4	0	+0	1.27	+0.78	5	4.90	+1.79	158	35
Echo	25	68	40	+0	8	+8	0.44	+0.05	2	1.54	-0.73	68	12
Heppner.....	17	60	37	-3	0	+0	0.72	+0.30	3	2.16	-0.94	70	19
Hermiston	23	67	41	+2	5	+5	0.43	+0.04	3	1.91	-0.36	84	19
Madras.....	21	56	37	-1	0	+0	0.42	+0.00	3	1.48	-0.94	61	16
Moro	15	61	38	+0	0	+0	0.99	+0.57	4	2.23	-0.32	87	19
Parkdale	25	58	38	-2	1	+1	3.32	+1.93	4	10.06	+2.63	135	28
Pendleton	20	62	40	+1	1	+1	0.53	+0.11	5	2.45	-0.36	87	21
Prairie City.....	11	52	34	+4	0	+0	0.77	+0.07	5	2.60	-1.49	64	27
The Dalles	28	65	44	+3	5	+5	1.03	+0.47	4	2.31	-0.76	75	18
SOUTH CENTRAL													
Agency Lake.....	18	53	37	+4	0	+0	0.21	-0.51	4	1.87	-1.91	49	15
Bend	17	59	38	+3	0	+0	0.06	-0.29	2	1.12	-0.99	53	12
Burns	8	50	33	+2	0	+0	0.37	+0.09	4	1.29	-0.72	64	17
Christmas Valley.....	6	52	35	+1	0	+0	0.02	-0.26	1	1.23	-0.76	62	17
Klamath Falls.....	23	52	40	+5	0	+0	0.08	-0.37	2	1.69	-0.91	65	11
Lakeview.....	11	56	37	+3	0	+0	0.02	-0.43	2	1.13	-1.95	37	17
Lorella.....	12	60	38	+5	0	+0	0.01	-0.31	1	1.00	-1.39	42	13
Redmond.....	12	56	39	+1	0	+0	0.27	+0.00	2	1.22	-0.43	74	15
Worden.....	20	54	39	+5	0	+0	0.10	-0.35	2	1.79	-0.61	75	9
NORTHEAST													
Baker City.....	5	49	30	-4	0	+0	0.30	+0.05	4	1.82	-0.18	91	22
Joseph.....	7	52	32	-3	0	+0	0.30	-0.26	2	2.20	-1.69	57	16
La Grande.....	17	54	36	+0	0	+0	0.77	+0.21	4	2.78	-0.94	75	21
Imbler.....	11	51	32	-6	0	+0	0.94	+0.12	4	3.27	-1.76	65	27
SOUTHEAST													
Ontario.....	17	56	38	+3	0	+0	0.28	+0.00	3	2.09	+0.26	114	19
Rome.....	12	58	38	+2	0	+0	0.02	-0.19	1	2.72	+0.86	146	13

Summary based on NWS data.
 Season cumulative precipitation starts: September 1, 2015.
 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 11/22/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged.....	76	68	84	88

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