



Crop Progress and Condition



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Idaho Grain Harvest Continued in Warm and Dry Weather

There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho last week, up from 6.8 the previous week. Goal harvest progress was reported in most grains in south central Idaho. There were still few acres of spring wheat yet to come out. Major crop producer activities included hauling manure onto fields, tillage, and planting of alfalfa and cover crops. Corn condition looked good but the crop was still behind several days. The bean crop started to turn color. Potatoes vines were dying. The potato harvest should start soon. In northern Idaho, the spring grain harvest should start soon as well. Fire danger increased in Teton County. The warm, dry days allowed grains to ripen. Irrigated crops did well after a slow start to the season.

Grain Harvest Started to Wrap Up in Oregon

There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, down from 6.9 the previous week. Some precipitation was reported mid-week in Oregon. This rainfall was helpful to clear the air of dust, preserve pasture conditions, and lessen the fire danger levels. In north central Oregon, the precipitation also slowed grain producers trying to finish up their wheat and barley harvest. Some spring barley still needed to ripen a bit more. Most producers state-wide wrapped up the winter wheat harvest. Along the northern coastal regions of Oregon, irrigated pastures remained in excellent condition. Most winter and spring grain harvests wrapped up. Berry harvests also wrapped up except for fall-bearing raspberries and a few late blackberry types. Vegetables did well. The weather in the Willamette Valley remained dry and hot. There were a few fields of wheat to be harvested. Many farmers completed harvest and were busy getting the ground ready for the fall planting. Peaches, pears, and vegetables were available in local farmer's markets. In Polk County, in addition to forage, acorns contributed as a feed source for goats and sheep. Wine grape growers applied fungicide to protect their crop from powdery mildew and botrytis bunch rot. In southwestern Oregon, vegetable crops did well. Warm season crops were a little slow to ripen with the cool night time temperatures the past week or two. Apple and pear crops sized well. Color was excellent.

Washington Winter Wheat Harvest Came to a Wrap

There were 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, up from 6.0 days suitable the previous week. The Puget Sound had warm and dry conditions. Crops were maturing and harvest was underway. Forage and pasture conditions continued to degrade due to the lack of precipitation. There was a brief relief from the dry conditions with rain last Wednesday. CSA operations on San Juan continued to harvest. Late blueberries were still ripening. Crops in Skagit County were in good condition, with the exception of spinach seed, which got too wet this last week. Unirrigated pastures in Snohomish County were damaged. There was widespread mildew on cucurbits. Field corn was not to tassel stage and sweet corn was in full swing. Kittitas and Yakima Counties received no precipitation. Field crews were harvesting peaches, nectarines, and early-maturing apples. Apple and pear crops were coloring and sizing up. Mature hop cones were drying on the vine. Vegetable stands were loaded with sweet corn, cantaloupe, watermelon, peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers, and squashes. Sweet corn and some early apples were harvested in Franklin County. With wheat harvest done, ground was being tilled and planted. Adams County had a cooler-than-average season. Beans developed mold in the canopy. The Palouse was wrapping up winter wheat harvest and started planting. Chickpeas, spring wheat, barley, potatoes, and corn were still waiting to be harvested in Columbia and Walla Walla Counties.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/25/19

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	1	13	29	45	12
Oregon	17	33	30	19	1
Washington.....	13	23	30	34	-
Spring wheat					
Idaho	6	4	28	56	6
Washington.....	1	3	35	54	7
Barley					
Idaho	-	3	18	64	15
Washington.....	-	2	31	63	4
Oats					
Idaho	-	-	17	69	14
Oregon	-	-	30	68	2
Washington.....	-	-	38	61	1
Potatoes					
Idaho	-	-	24	47	29
Oregon	-	2	24	55	19
Washington.....	-	-	22	73	5
Corn					
Idaho	-	-	6	84	10
Oregon	1	7	39	41	12
Washington.....	-	-	42	55	3
Dry edible beans					
Idaho	-	-	43	55	2
Oregon	2	6	28	52	12
Washington.....	-	8	18	66	8
Onions					
Idaho	-	-	-	100	-
Oregon	-	6	41	39	14
Washington.....	-	-	55	45	-
Sugarbeets					
Idaho	-	-	13	53	34
Oregon	-	8	32	60	-
Washington.....	-	-	38	37	25
Dry edible pea					
Idaho	-	-	41	53	6

- Represents zero.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/25/19

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	14	30	54	2
Oregon.....	22	53	25	-
Washington.....	15	32	53	-
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	13	28	56	3
Oregon.....	18	52	30	-
Washington.....	12	27	61	-

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 08/25/19

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	45	27	64	65
Winter wheat harvested	86	60	96	90
Barley harvested	62	44	78	70
Oats harvested	69	46	77	72
Potatoes harvested	3	2	5	5
Field corn doughed	57	42	87	(NA)
Field corn dented	19	11	74	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested.....	16	3	15	15
Dry peas harvested.....	75	40	77	76
Onions harvested.....	20	12	19	15
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	97	91	(NA)	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	54	37	70	62

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 08/25/19

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	75	50	85	87
Winter wheat harvested	94	91	99	98
Barley harvested	84	55	77	84
Oats harvested	65	40	74	(NA)
Potatoes harvested	38	30	38	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested.....	25	6	46	(NA)
Dry peas harvested.....	98	83	(NA)	(NA)
Onions harvested.....	27	15	11	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	70	59	49	62

(NA) Not available.

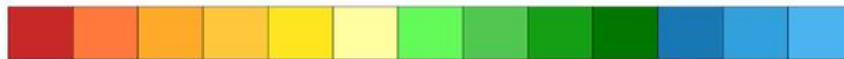
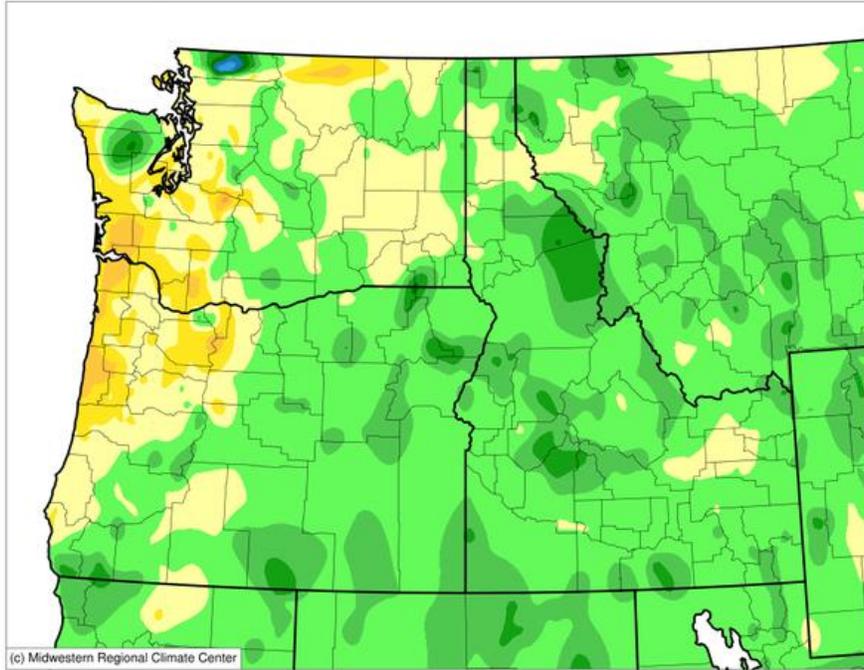
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 08/25/19

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	47	25	67	81
Winter wheat harvested	84	69	93	95
Barley harvested.....	48	27	74	80
Oats harvested	45	28	51	(NA)
Potatoes harvested.....	17	14	19	30
Field corn doughed.....	37	26	68	62
Field corn dented.....	4	3	14	12
Dry peas harvested.....	76	73	80	86
Onions harvested	18	11	44	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	81	79	77	73
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	29	21	3	12

(NA) Not available.

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

September 01, 2018 to August 25, 2019

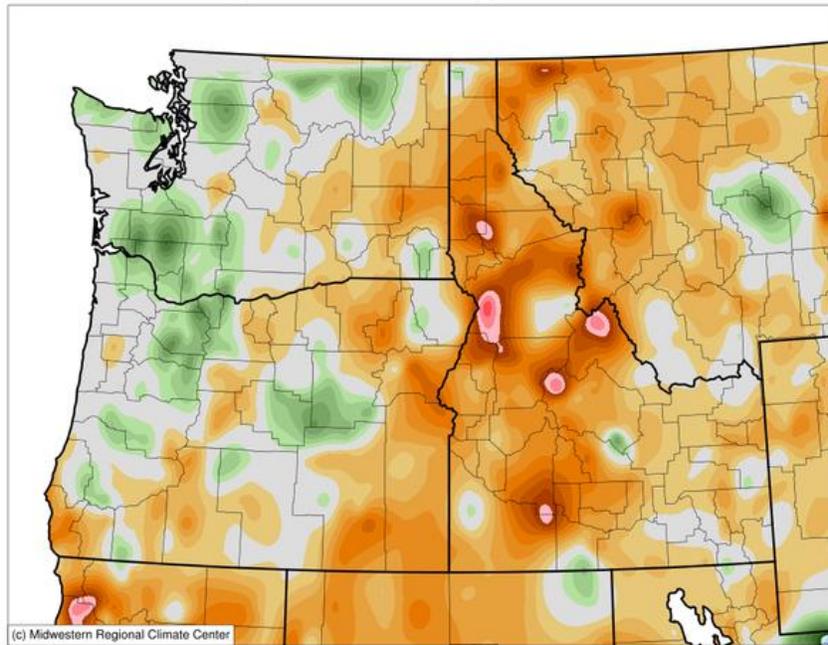


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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

August 19, 2019 to August 25, 2019



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