



# Crop Progress and Condition



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## Rainfall Slowed Fieldwork in Idaho

There were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho last week, down from 6.9 the previous week. Rain slowed field work and harvest in several parts of the state. There were still several thousand acres of winter wheat to be harvested in Benewah and Kootenai Counties. In Boundary County, weather conditions slowed spring grain maturation. Producers were about two weeks behind and some crop conditions worsened as well. Heavy rain Saturday also slowed field work and harvests in south central Idaho. Early beet harvest started. Corn silage harvest had yet to ramp up. Corn and beans were behind on average maturity dates. Moisture and cooler weather improved pastures in south central and eastern Idaho.

## Weekend Rainfall Cooled Temperature Some In Oregon

There were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, down from 6.7 the previous week. Most of the grain crops wrapped up harvest in Oregon. Harvest of hazelnuts, grapes, tree fruit, potatoes, vegetables, and corn silage were still pending in several parts of the state. Pasture conditions improved some in the northern coastal region of Oregon. Crops that need heat to finish, were slowed a bit by the weekend rainfall. Vegetable farms continued to harvest carrots, lettuce, beets, and scallions. Cover crops were also planted. In north central Oregon, fieldwork conditions were good this past week. Grain producers mowed stubble and sprayed their fields in preparation for 2020 seeding. Pastures also looked good. In southwest Oregon, the past week was very hot again. Cooler weekend weather motivated several producers to prepare their fields for planting fall grains and cover crops for winter. Grape growers were ready to start harvest on their earliest maturing varieties, including Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc. Apple harvest began with the early varieties. The apple crop looked good with nice quality. In south central and southeast Oregon, two different wide spread rain events happened with lots of lightning. Some small fires were reported. Hay was down in several fields. Irrigated pasture responded nicely to cooling weekend temperatures. New grass seed fields were established in Jefferson County. In Klamath County, barley was mostly cut. Some spring wheat was still in the ground. Third cutting alfalfa came up fast and thin. Fourth cutting was reported as healthy and full.

## **Scattered Showers and Autumn Approaching in Washington**

There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, down from 6.7 days suitable the previous week. Western Washington was mostly dry, but received a few scattered showers through the week. Hay was still being baled. Blueberry harvest wrapped up and most pastures had stopped growing. Whatcom County received rain later in the week. Corn for silage harvest began and seed potatoes had vines killed in preparation of harvest. Hay bales in San Juan County were moved to dry storage or congregated on field storage sites. Apples, pears, and plums were in season and harvested. Drought conditions continued. Kittitas and Yakima Counties received no precipitation. Lincoln County had warm temperatures. Crops in Adams County remained about a week behind schedule. Dry bean harvest was underway, but the harvest period was stretching out.

### Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/08/19

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Topsoil moisture</b>				
Idaho .....	17	30	50	3
Oregon .....	21	50	29	-
Washington.....	16	34	50	-
<b>Subsoil moisture</b>				
Idaho .....	13	29	56	2
Oregon .....	15	51	33	1
Washington.....	16	27	57	-

- Represents zero.

### Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/08/19

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Pasture and range</b>					
Idaho .....	1	10	32	44	13
Oregon .....	13	26	34	26	1
Washington.....	13	34	26	27	-
<b>Potatoes</b>					
Idaho .....	-	1	11	52	36
Oregon .....	-	2	26	50	22
Washington.....	-	-	37	62	1
<b>Corn</b>					
Idaho .....	-	-	5	85	10
Oregon .....	1	6	36	39	18
Washington.....	-	-	58	42	-
<b>Dry edible beans</b>					
Idaho .....	-	3	42	52	3
Oregon .....	2	6	28	52	12
Washington.....	-	7	37	49	7
<b>Onions</b>					
Idaho .....	-	-	15	85	-
Oregon .....	-	3	44	40	13
Washington.....	-	-	29	45	26
<b>Sugarbeets</b>					
Idaho .....	-	-	12	52	36
Oregon .....	-	4	36	60	-
Washington.....	-	-	30	35	35

- Represents zero.

### Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 09/08/19

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	85	69	87	88
Winter wheat planted .....	2	-	8	7
Barley harvested .....	92	83	95	93
Oats harvested .....	84	77	91	89
Potatoes harvested .....	11	5	15	12
Field corn doughed .....	87	79	97	(NA)
Field corn dented .....	47	30	85	(NA)
Field corn mature .....	12	1	48	(NA)
Field corn harvested for silage .....	7	1	33	23
Dry edible beans harvested.....	26	22	45	50
Dry peas harvested.....	96	87	(NA)	(NA)
Onions harvested.....	55	33	25	29
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	76	67	80	80
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting.....	23	11	32	19

-Represents zero.  
(NA) Not available.

### Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 09/08/19

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	95	93	95	98
Winter wheat planted .....	9	8	5	3
Barley harvested .....	95	93	89	95
Oats harvested .....	92	85	94	(NA)
Potatoes harvested .....	47	41	43	(NA)
Field corn harvested for silage .....	5	1	5	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested.....	44	29	53	(NA)
Onions harvested.....	50	29	18	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	81	73	69	82

(NA) Not available.

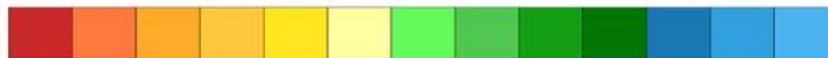
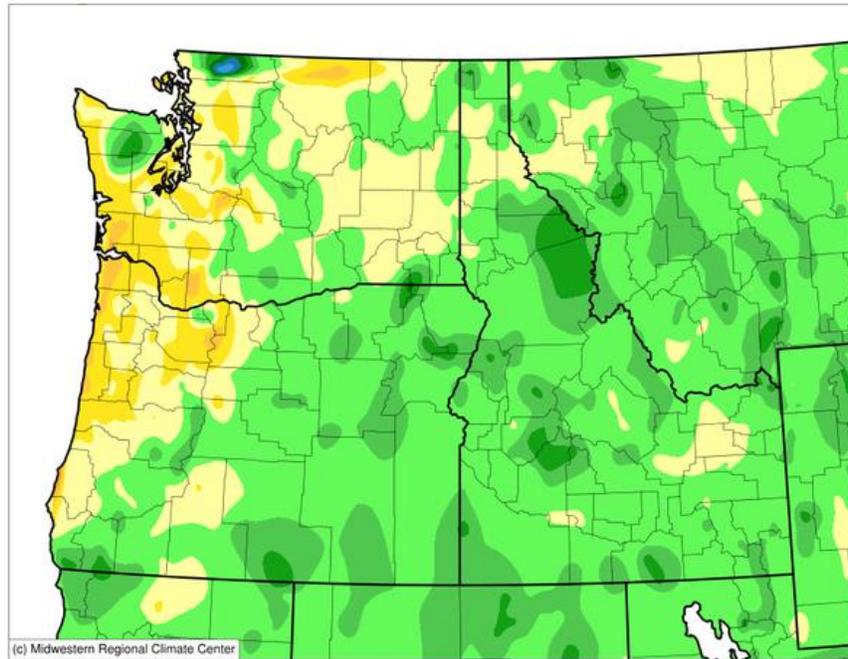
### Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 09/08/19

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	74	61	90	95
Winter wheat harvested .....	95	91	100	100
Winter wheat planted .....	17	11	27	22
Barley harvested .....	66	59	91	95
Oats harvested .....	72	56	80	(NA)
Potatoes harvested .....	22	21	26	44
Field corn doughed .....	56	44	82	80
Field corn dented .....	15	6	47	40
Field corn mature .....	3	-	22	11
Field corn harvested for silage .....	8	1	17	11
Dry edible beans harvested.....	17	(NA)	56	59
Dry peas harvested.....	80	78	89	96
Onions harvested.....	39	28	59	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	85	83	89	89
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting.....	32	30	42	37

-Represents zero.  
(NA) Not available.

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

September 01, 2018 to September 08, 2019

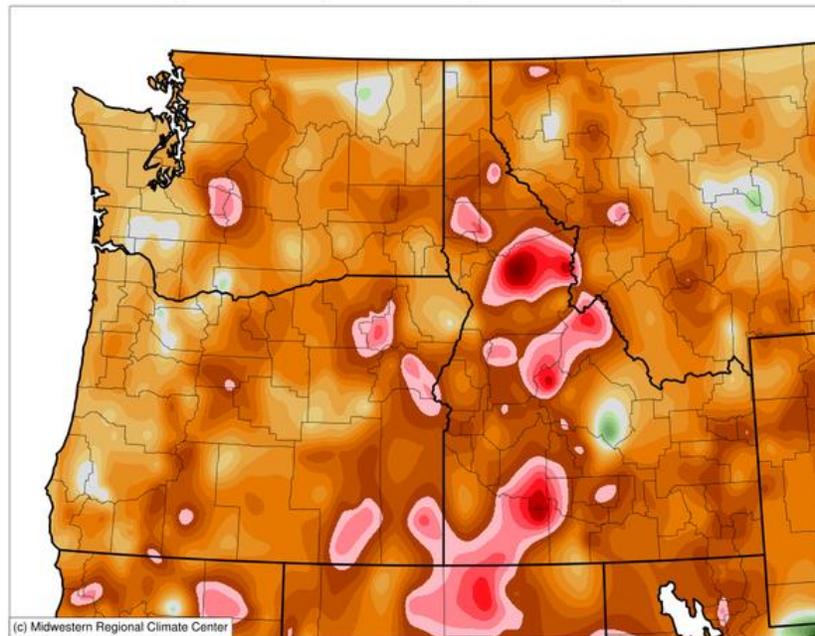


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**Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals**

September 02, 2019 to September 08, 2019



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