



# Crop Progress and Condition



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## Grain Harvest Underway in Idaho

There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 6.9 days the previous week. Idaho weather remained dry. In Boundary County, grain harvest and the second cutting of alfalfa was underway. Cooler weather with one day of rain slowed progress slightly. Jerome and Twin Falls Counties reported similar conditions. A producer killed and rolled potato fields. Range conditions continued to deteriorate with the lack of rain. Clark and Fremont Counties were hot and dry. Grazing areas dried up, affecting ranchers grazing cattle.

## Cooler Conditions throughout Oregon

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, unchanged from the previous week. In northwest Oregon, modest rain and generally cooler conditions were good for most crops. Dry conditions slowed grass growth, except on irrigated fields. Corn silage was in various stages of development depending on planting dates and soil moisture. In Polk County, goat breeding was anticipated to commence next week, for late December and early January kidding. In north central Oregon, harvest was underway. Conditions were much better this past week as it cooled off into the 80's. The wind really picked up and was extremely harsh. There was no trace of rain. Pastures were extremely dry and grasshoppers were a huge problem. Above average winter wheat yields were observed in Umatilla and Wallowa Counties. In Malheur County, there was warm dry weather. Early onion harvest continued. In Lake County, some areas received precipitation during the week. Thunderstorms sparked fires throughout the county. In Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson Counties, it was great hay making weather. Some irrigation districts anticipated running out of water before the growing season ends. There were a few fires, but all had been contained so far.

## **Good Grain Harvest Progress Reported in Washington**

There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, down from 7.0 reported the previous week. A cooler weather pattern was welcome news to most crop producers. Some rare August rains were reported in western Washington. This moisture helped those pastures that suffered from lack of moisture. Livestock were on pasture where still viable. Some stock were fed on other farms that had dried out. Barley crops looked good with dense heads. Tree fruits continued to size up. Cane berries were in decline, while blueberries approached peak harvest period. Raspberry harvest wound down except for later varieties. In Yakima County, peaches and nectarines were still being harvested. Numerous vegetable crops were harvested and marketed, including tomatoes, sweet corn, cucumbers, and summer squashes. Cones were the dominant feature in hop yards as the drying cones took on a lighter green color. Growers prepared to harvest Bartlett pear orchards. Field crews placed color-up fabrics under the apple crop and sprayed other crops with kaolin clay products to enhance a perfect blush on their fruit. Despite a day of rain, upper elevation streams and springs continued to dry out in northeastern Washington. In southeastern Washington, weather conditions were normal for the week with warm, dry and mild breezes. The winter wheat and spring grains harvest continued. Quality growing degree-days were reported.

**Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/09/20**

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Pasture and range</b>					
Idaho .....	-	10	25	53	12
Oregon .....	26	40	23	11	-
Washington.....	20	14	38	26	2
<b>Winter wheat</b>					
Idaho .....	-	3	14	60	23
Washington.....	1	2	20	50	27
<b>Spring wheat</b>					
Idaho .....	-	3	14	66	17
Oregon .....	17	22	25	29	7
Washington.....	-	6	11	57	26
<b>Barley</b>					
Idaho .....	-	1	9	74	16
Oregon .....	9	12	21	51	7
Washington.....	-	6	6	63	25
<b>Oats</b>					
Idaho .....	-	1	15	59	25
Oregon .....	2	4	12	75	7
Washington.....	-	1	6	70	23
<b>Potatoes</b>					
Idaho .....	-	-	2	59	39
Oregon .....	3	8	26	42	21
Washington.....	-	2	15	57	26
<b>Corn</b>					
Idaho .....	-	-	3	82	15
Oregon .....	2	3	11	67	17
Washington.....	2	4	20	65	9
<b>Dry edible beans</b>					
Idaho .....	-	6	25	67	2
Oregon .....	2	6	14	60	18
Washington.....	1	2	18	63	16
<b>Onions</b>					
Idaho .....	-	-	-	100	-
Oregon .....	1	7	17	58	17
Washington.....	-	4	18	50	28
<b>Sugarbeets</b>					
Idaho .....	-	-	3	78	19
Oregon .....	-	-	20	70	10
Washington.....	-	-	-	55	45
<b>Dry edible peas</b>					
Idaho .....	-	4	12	71	13
Washington.....	-	-	11	64	25

- Represents zero.

### Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/09/20

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	20	33	47	-
Oregon.....	46	28	26	-
Washington.....	35	30	33	2
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	11	32	55	2
Oregon.....	45	28	27	-
Washington.....	19	39	39	3

- Represents zero.

### Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 08/09/20

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	21	7	11	26
Winter wheat harvested .....	35	21	30	59
Barley harvested .....	21	10	21	32
Oats harvested .....	30	18	25	38
Potatoes harvested .....	4	3	1	2
Field corn silking .....	93	79	90	92
Field corn dough .....	36	23	30	50
Dry edible beans harvested.....	-	(NA)	-	1
Dry edible peas harvested .....	4	3	15	29
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	89	75	82	89
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	28	23	18	31

-Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

### Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 08/09/20

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	43	15	29	51
Winter wheat harvested .....	77	61	67	81
Barley harvested .....	48	21	33	51
Oats harvested .....	45	19	30	44
Potatoes harvested .....	16	7	25	23
Field corn silking .....	55	44	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn dough .....	1	-	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible peas harvested .....	86	81	75	73
Onions harvested.....	5	3	(NA)	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting.....	94	85	93	94
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	33	18	39	34

-Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

## Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 08/09/20

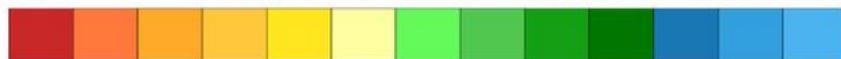
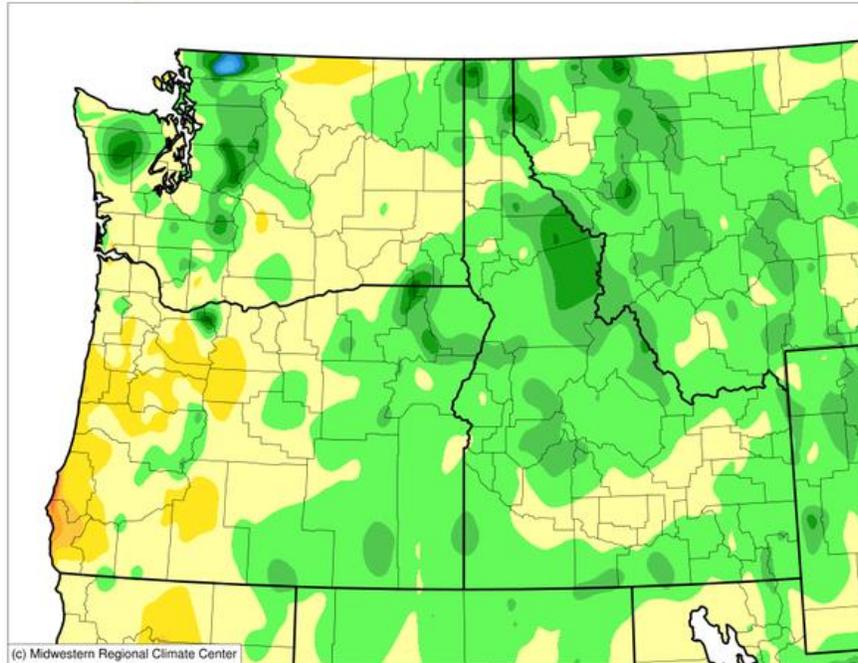
Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	17	9	16	37
Winter wheat harvested .....	55	33	50	65
Barley harvested.....	24	12	18	35
Oats harvested .....	16	11	16	29
Potatoes harvested.....	25	14	11	17
Field corn silking.....	70	60	80	84
Field corn dough.....	19	9	19	30
Dry edible beans harvested .....	5	-	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible peas harvested .....	40	28	65	68
Onions harvested .....	16	4	6	15
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting .....	95	91	100	95
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	35	20	69	55

-Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

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

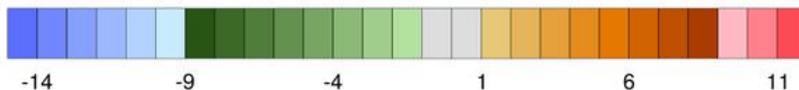
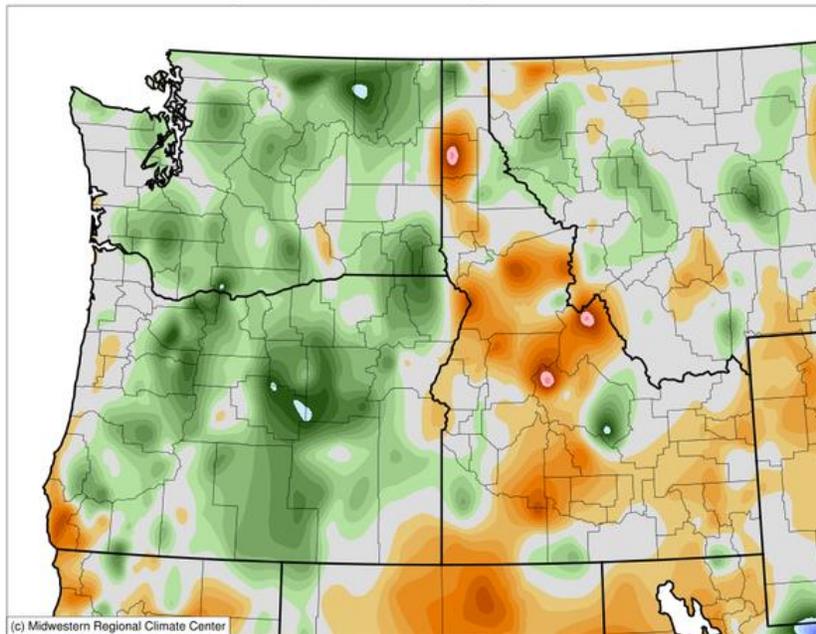
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**Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals**

August 03, 2020 to August 09, 2020



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