



# Crop Progress and Condition



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## Sugarbeet Harvest Neared Completion in Idaho

There were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 5.9 days the previous week. In south central and southwest Idaho, good fall weather allowed the Idaho sugarbeet harvest to wrap up. The nice autumn weather also made for good conditions for harvesting grain corn and completing fieldwork. There was still a bit more grain corn remaining to be harvested in the state. With irrigation off for several growers, some rain was needed for late-planted winter wheat. In northern Idaho, cooler weather slowed grass growth. Winter wheat emerged and was in good shape. Parts of eastern Idaho continued to see some winter conditions, with freezing temperatures and snow on the ground.

## Rain and Snow Blessed Oregon Soils

There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, down from 6.3 the previous week. Clatsop and Tillamook Counties had a few dry days early in the week, but heavy rains and showers curtailed fieldwork later in the week. North central Oregon received significant rainfall last weekend, which helped drought conditions. Soils absorbed the much-needed moisture. The wheat fields that were already seeded were in outstanding condition. Mild temperatures gave both crops and livestock a break. Umatilla and Wallowa Counties had precipitation that totaled nearly an inch in some areas. Winter wheat germination and emergence caught up last week. Wheat stands that were even later are at risk of cold damage. Winter canola was in excellent condition and had good winter cold tolerance. Most perennial crops in southwest Oregon hardened due to the dry weather, protected from the upcoming freezes. Fall-seeded crops continued to need moisture to establish better root systems. Sugarbeet harvest in Malheur County wrapped up with favorable conditions. The county had cooler conditions last week. Corn harvest was in full swing. Lake County received both rain and snow precipitation over the weekend. Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson Counties had cold frosts and snow. Producers appreciated the additional moisture.

## **Weather Created Challenges and Mixed Results in Washington**

There were 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, down from 6.5 days the previous week. Western Washington experienced a few dry days allowing some late cuttings of grass hay and other crop harvesting to take place. The weather created some challenges during the year that left mixed results in Clallam, Jefferson, King, Skagit, and Snohomish Counties. San Juan County reported near freezing temperatures and a bit more rain. Late CSA crops came off the fields with squash, pumpkins, kale and other hearty vegetables on the market. Livestock were still on pasture on some farms, while others were fed forage. Corn silage was off the field and in the bunkers in Snohomish County. Some field preparation and cover crop seeding took place. Adams County reported that there were still a couple of fields of fourth cutting hay left unbaled due to weather conditions. Most operators switched into winter mode. There were still a few carrots and potatoes to harvest. In Columbia and Walla Walla Counties, fall work was finished, and most winter wheat was seeded. Rain and snow helped soil moisture. A cold snap in Whitman County put producers off for three days. The last few operators finished seeding.

### Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/08/20

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho .....	31	31	38	-
Oregon .....	29	37	33	1
Washington .....	8	30	56	6
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho .....	31	36	32	1
Oregon .....	43	28	29	-
Washington .....	12	36	50	2

- Represents zero.

### Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/08/20

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho .....	13	27	36	24	-
Oregon .....	38	41	16	5	-
Washington .....	24	30	36	10	-
Winter wheat					
Idaho .....	-	1	44	40	15
Oregon .....	5	9	35	39	12
Washington .....	1	4	32	53	10

- Represents zero.

**Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 11/08/20**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged .....	86	77	88	88
Sugarbeets harvested .....	95	86	93	90
Field corn harvested for grain .....	70	57	78	68
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	84	80	90	89

**Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 11/08/20**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted .....	98	93	97	95
Winter wheat emerged .....	49	33	73	64
Sugarbeets harvested .....	98	91	89	90
Field corn harvested for grain .....	63	52	83	84
Field corn harvested for silage .....	95	91	95	95

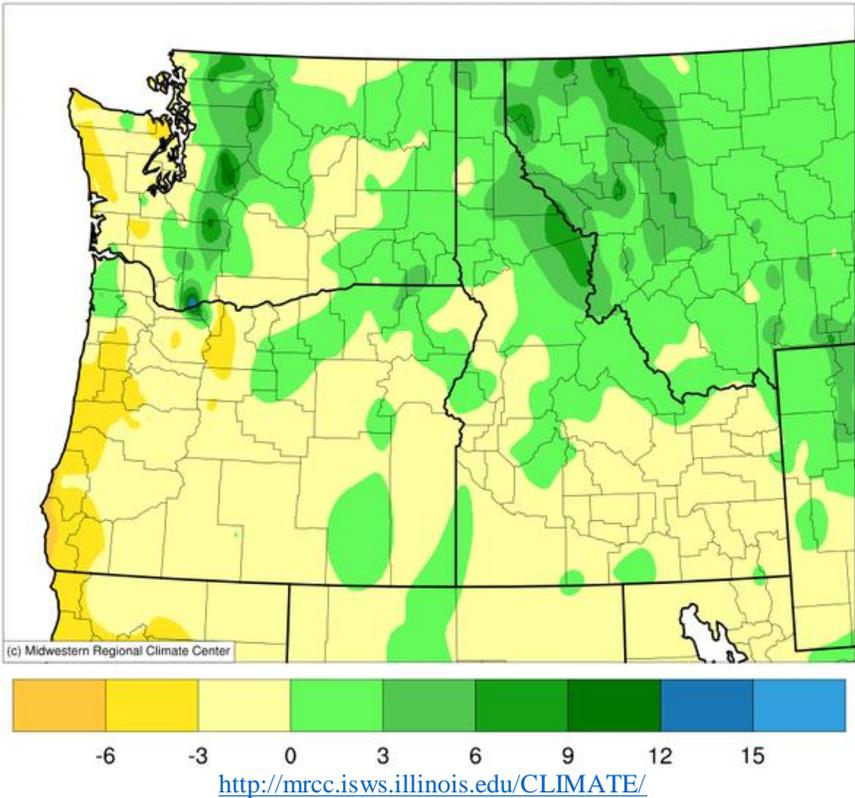
**Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 11/08/20**

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged .....	85	78	81	82
Sugarbeets harvested .....	85	75	100	(NA)
Field corn harvested for grain .....	92	90	67	73
Field corn harvested for silage .....	95	93	94	98
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	98	92	90	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

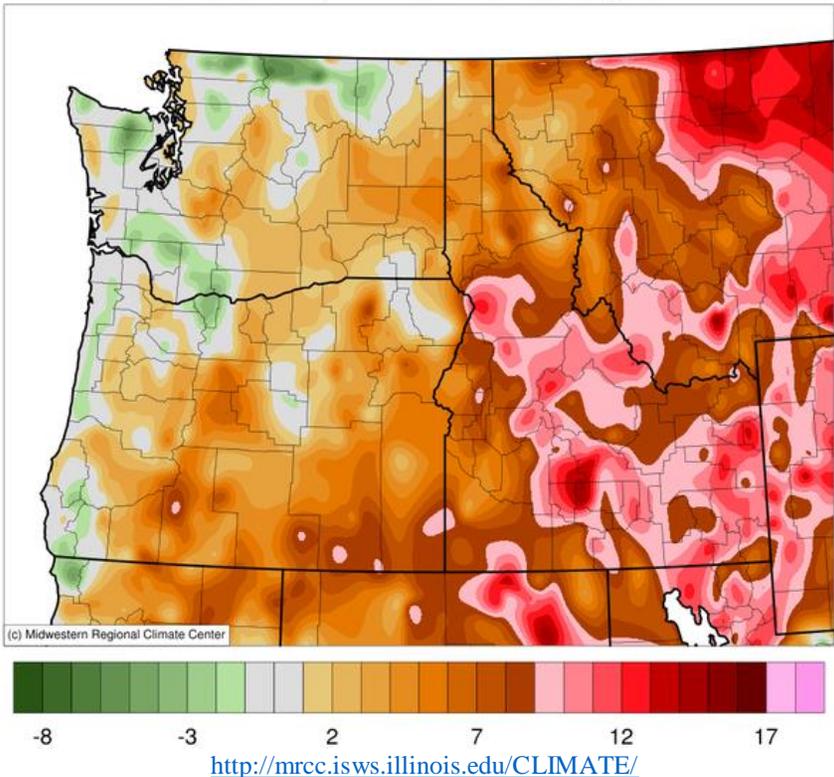
**Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals**

October 01, 2020 to November 08, 2020



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

November 02, 2020 to November 08, 2020



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