



Crop Progress and Condition



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Idaho Cooled Off as the Row Crop Harvest Advanced

There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 5.9 days the previous week. Idaho continued to receive moisture. Reported temperatures were lower than normal. Wet weather in south central and southeast Idaho limited days suitable for fieldwork and slowed the row crop harvest in those regions of the State. The onion, corn for silage, and dry bean harvests wrapped up. The potato harvest slowed some as the 2021 harvest neared completion. There was still a large amount of sugarbeets in the ground. The corn for grain harvest ramped up on the western end of the State, where drier weather was reported.

More Moisture and Cooler Temperatures in Oregon

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 6.9 the previous week. In northwest Oregon, corn silage harvest was completed. There was activity planting cover crops and existing forage was interseeded. Showers slowed down field operations but provided moisture to get green grass. In north central Oregon, there were scattered showers and cooler temperatures. Many producers sprayed and seeded fields. Cattle were moved home, and calves were weaned. Feeding started earlier than normal due to the drought. In southwest Oregon, field activity came to an end for nearly all fall crops. Wine grape harvest was about 95 percent completed. Orchard crop harvest was completed, except for a few acres of late-maturing apples. Fertilization was complete for fall seeded cover crops, seed crops, and forage crops. Caneberry winter pruning was nearly finished. Most summer vegetable crop fields were cultivated, limed, and planted to a cover crop. The area had some rain, but subsoil was still very dry. In Malheur County, cool temperatures brought frost to the irrigated crop area in the north. Sugarbeet harvest was in full swing, while onion harvest was close to finishing. Corn harvest ramped up. Ranchers mostly finished gathering cattle from range allotments.

Late Season Planting Throughout Washington

There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 6.5 the previous week. Statewide temperatures for the week ending October 17 were below normal. In San Juan County, there were cooler temperatures with some rainfall throughout the area. Low pressure systems stacked up leading into the fall rainy season. Livestock was on stockpiled feed. Harvest of CSA vegetable production continued but was coming to an end. In Yakima County, there were cooler temperatures throughout the area. Some crop producing areas received frost for the first time this year; however, some late season planting was done while dodging the rain. Apple harvest was near completion with late-maturing varieties coming in. More field corn was harvested throughout the area. In Whitman County, winter wheat seeding was tough as some producers dealt with rain and downy brome infestations.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/17/21

Item and State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	21	41	36	2
Oregon.....	46	23	30	1
Washington.....	58	29	12	1
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	32	35	32	1
Oregon.....	55	25	20	-
Washington.....	60	25	13	2

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/17/21

Crop and State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho.....	21	42	26	11	-
Oregon.....	60	21	13	6	-
Washington.....	75	15	6	4	-
Corn					
Idaho.....	-	-	3	72	25
Washington.....	-	2	53	43	2
Sugarbeets					
Oregon.....	-	-	10	80	10

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 10/17/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted.....	96	89	89	86
Winter wheat emerged.....	58	45	49	54
Potatoes harvested.....	93	85	93	88
Sugarbeets harvested.....	50	42	55	47
Field corn mature.....	95	84	85	89
Field corn harvested for grain	24	9	24	37
Field corn harvested for silage	96	93	92	91
Dry edible beans harvested	96	90	100	96
Onions harvested	98	90	99	93
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	80	71	70	73

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 10/17/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted.....	57	41	60	69
Winter wheat emerged.....	20	15	20	30
Potatoes harvested.....	91	83	91	86
Sugarbeets harvested.....	42	35	44	44
Field corn harvested for grain	50	45	24	43
Field corn harvested for silage	86	80	74	76
Onions harvested	86	79	85	85

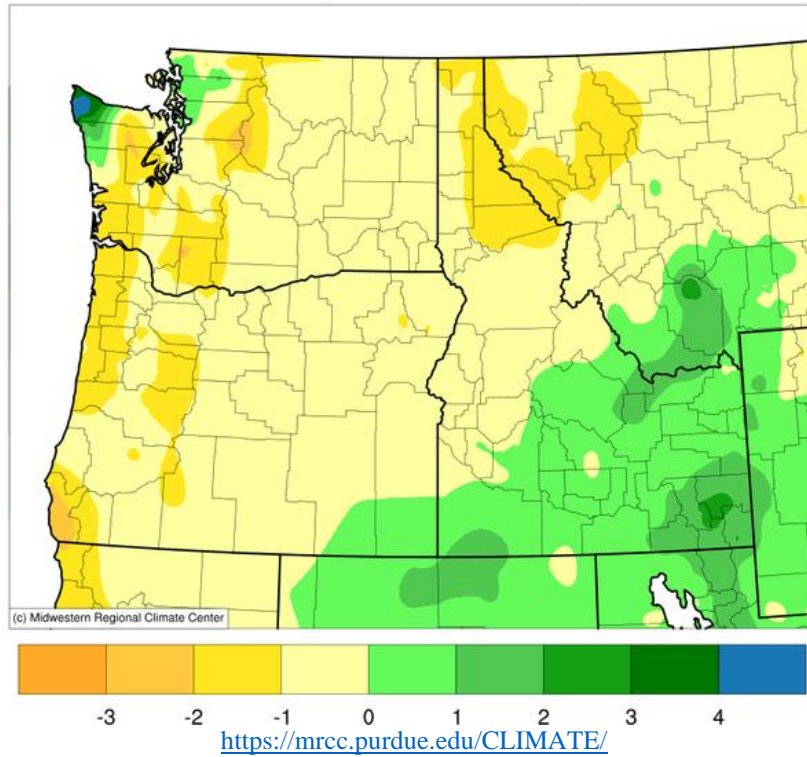
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 10/17/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted.....	93	88	87	86
Winter wheat emerged.....	58	50	64	60
Potatoes harvested.....	78	68	82	82
Field corn dented.....	95	90	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn mature.....	72	66	92	81
Field corn harvested for grain	42	29	65	42
Field corn harvested for silage	79	69	79	85
Onions harvested	87	78	95	96
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	80	70	85	85

(NA) Not available.

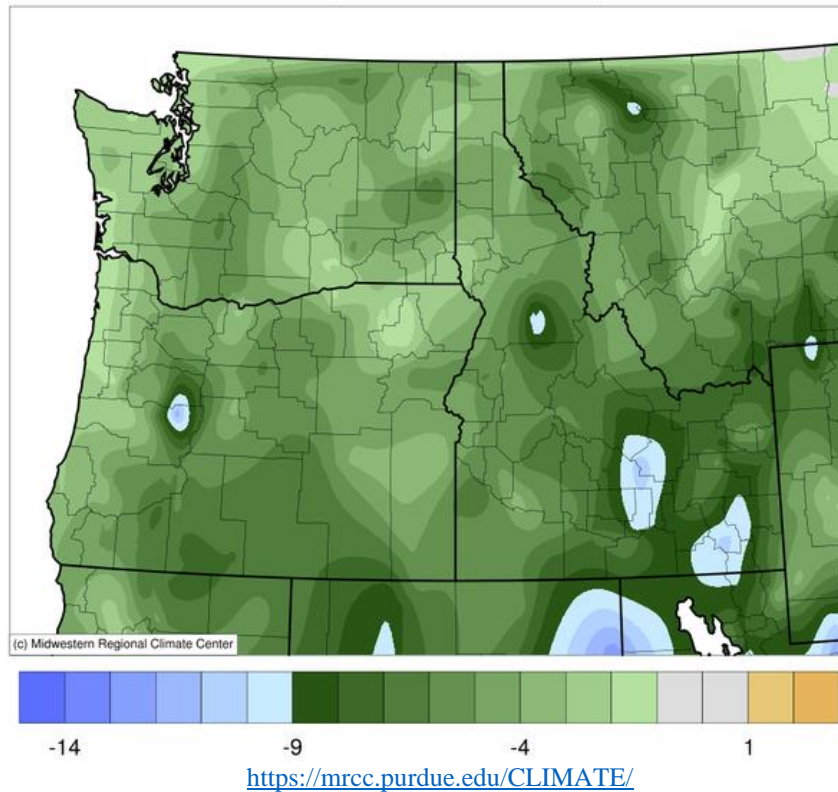
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2021 to October 17, 2021



Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 11, 2021 to October 17, 2021



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