



Crop Progress and Condition



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Cold Nights in Idaho

There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 6.1 days the previous week. Statewide, the weather cooled off significantly, with the early morning hours below freezing. Soil moisture and pasture conditions increased with the rain. In northern Idaho, pastures saw little regrowth before the week's cold snap. Most fields were dried and consumed, so cattle were taken to lower elevations. In south central Idaho, the growing season ended. Harvest wrapped up for most crops, other than grain corn and sugarbeets. Due to the late season frost, producers do not think there will be any additional moisture and growth.

Cool and Wet Weather in Oregon

There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 6.3 days the previous week. In northwest Oregon, fall farm activities were at a normal pace. Soil moisture increased due to the cold and rainy weather. Corn harvest wrapped up. In north central Oregon, temperatures were mild. Rain was received over the weekend. Northeast Oregon also received some rain and early snowfall. Significant acres of winter wheat had herbicides applied for grass control. Most stands of emerged or emerging wheat appeared to be mostly uniform. Winter canola was in good shape. In Malheur County, sugarbeet harvest wrapped up and corn harvest moved quickly toward completion. Cooler temperatures reduced the speed of winter wheat emergence. Fall fieldwork completed rapidly. Lake County received no precipitation. Some livestock producers hauled cattle off their fall allotments.

Washington's Row Crop Harvest Made Progress in More Traditional Autumn Weather

There were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 6.3 days reported the previous week. A more typical autumn weather pattern continued in Washington. A series of weather fronts hit the western end of the State. The Cascade Mountains acted as a rain shadow, limiting the amount of moisture falling in much of eastern Washington. Statewide, most of the potato and corn silage harvest wrapped up. There was still some corn for grain in the field. The shift in weather in western Washington produced 2-3 inches of rain this past week at Friday Harbor. The dry fall weather had stressed fall planted grain and vegetable seed crops. The shift in weather caused many fields to be overly wet. Farmers who waited to plant fall grains or grass seed were challenged to get into the field. For the most part, fall planting finished up in central Washington. Moisture was needed. Some farmers in Klickitat County were still waiting on seeding winter wheat. Cattle were moved out of mountains to winter pastures. Yakima County reported daily high temperatures in the upper 50s to lower 60s. Nighttime lows dipped into the lower 30s on most nights. No hard freeze was reported in the crop producing areas of Yakima County. Some light rain contributed less than 0.02 inch. Apple harvest continued with a focus on the Red Delicious and Fuji apple varieties. Cool nighttime temperatures over the past week helped with apple color. Roughly 80 percent of the apple crop was harvested. Cool temperatures slowed vegetable production, but crews were still harvesting tomatoes, peppers, and winter squashes. Growers removed irrigation piping, black plastic and tilling under some vegetable fields. Most field corn was harvested over the past couple of weeks except for the Halloween maze fields. Irrigation piping in hop yards was rolled up and placed in storage. Dry conditions were reported in east central Washington. Winter wheat condition was spotty. Moisture was needed. Northeast Washington reported some rain, cooler temperatures during the day, and near freezing temperatures overnight. In southeast Washington, fall planting was also wrapping up.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/30/22

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho	10	35	55	-
Oregon	22	47	30	1
Washington.....	16	36	47	1
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho	18	33	49	-
Oregon	26	39	35	-
Washington.....	15	35	49	1

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/30/22

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	12	19	38	31	-
Oregon	23	21	37	17	2
Washington.....	-	44	30	22	4
Winter wheat					
Idaho	2	3	42	44	9
Oregon	3	5	16	32	44
Washington.....	1	5	31	54	9
Corn					
Idaho	-	1	4	83	12

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 10/30/22

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted	95	92	99	99
Winter wheat emerged	75	57	83	79
Potatoes harvested	95	91	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets harvested	85	57	80	79
Field corn harvested for grain.....	35	23	43	53
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting.....	87	83	87	81

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 10/30/22

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted	94	90	85	88
Winter wheat emerged	51	46	40	47
Potatoes harvested	95	91	96	95
Sugarbeets harvested	89	52	59	72
Field corn harvested for grain.....	67	50	68	64
Field corn harvested for silage	91	83	93	90
Onions harvested.....	95	92	94	(NA)

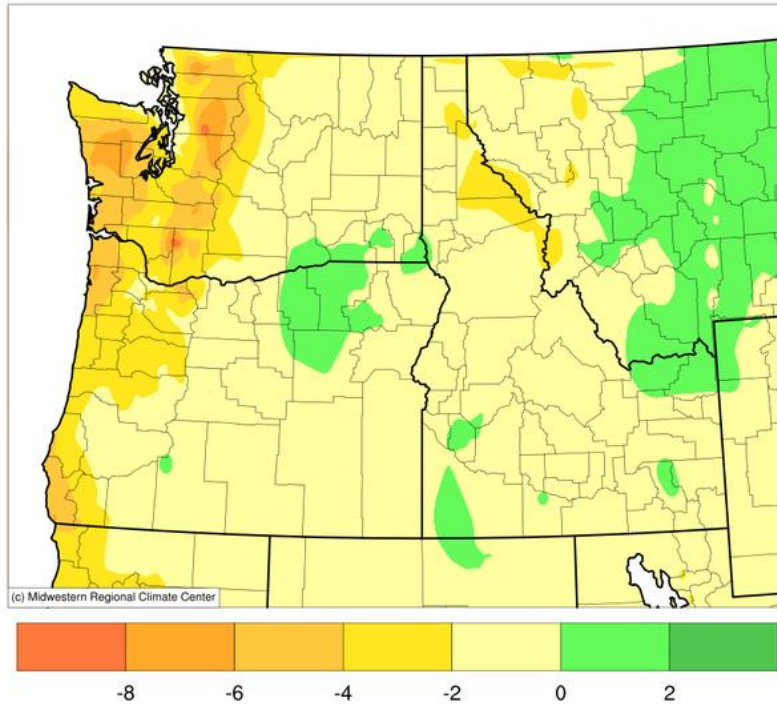
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Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 10/30/22

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged	77	72	74	73
Potatoes harvested	98	88	93	93
Field corn harvested for grain.....	70	56	70	69
Field corn harvested for silage	95	89	92	94
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting.....	90	84	91	88

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

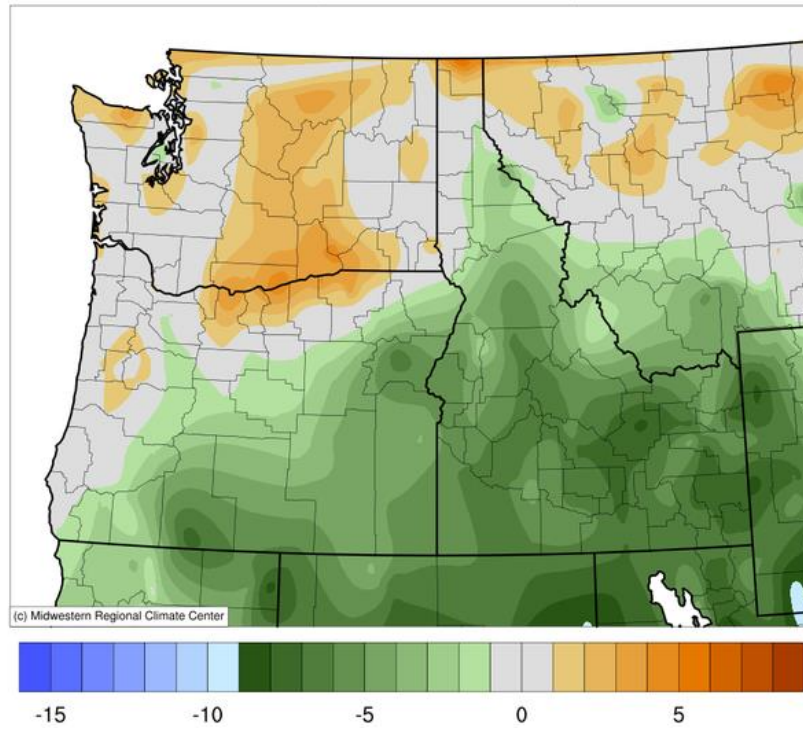
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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 24, 2022 to October 30, 2022



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