



Crop Progress and Condition



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Dry Spring Conditions in Idaho

Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.5. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 2% very poor, 9% poor, 51% fair, 36% good, and 2% excellent. Temperatures ranged from 2 degrees below normal to 5 degrees above normal with levels of precipitation less than normal throughout the state. Respondents continued to report the need for perception. Spring planting continued to make progress. Irrigation water continued to be used throughout the southern region of the state. Major agricultural activities included feeding livestock, hauling manure, planting cereal grains, field corn, sugarbeets, and potatoes. No severe crop problems were reported. No livestock problems were reported.

Spring Weather Conditions in Washington

Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.4. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 10% very poor, 6% poor, 37% fair, 40% good, and 7% excellent. In western Washington, some moisture was received and still allowed for some filed work activity. Pasture growth reported to be in good conditions. Apples are in full bloom with files being prepped and seeded. Skagit County reported heavy rains throughout the week which minimized field activity. Dry and windy conditions continued throughout central Washington. The lack of precipitation continued to be of concern, impacts were shown in decreased water levels in reservoirs along with ponds and lakes that are utilized by producers. In Yakima County, asparagus harvest continued and was being sold at roadside stands. Filed crews laid down black plastic and planted transplants of cucumbers, peppers, and tomatoes. Some fruit tree thinning began in the lower Yakima Valley. In southeastern Washington, winter wheat spraying continued when weather conditions allowed. Livestock continued to do well.

Dry Conditions Continued in Oregon

There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 25% poor, 37% fair, 37% good, and 1% excellent. In northeastern Oregon, weather conditions were extremely dry and windy. This combined with high temperatures did not help the moisture situation. In the northcentral region drought impacts were beginning to show and the Deschutes River was running below normal levels. In the northwestern region ground tillage continued for row crops and some irrigation started for germination. Early planting of field corn was reported and the last application of fertilizer was applied to grass seed. Some clover was cut for green feed, alfalfa and clovers were growing well, and haylage began for delivery to local dairies. The prune/plum crop looked light. Some pears were frozen or hit hard by frost. Other fruit trees were also damaged by the cold winter weather. Strawberries were setting fruit, blueberries were blooming, and new setting of filberts were leafing. Pastures were looking good for livestock grazing. In the southwestern region temperatures continued to be above the 5-year average. This combined with adequate moisture had kept spring grass and pastures growing. Cattle were worked and turned out to pasture. Spring planting was nearly done and orchards remained ahead of schedule. In the southeastern region calls were beginning to come in regarding irrigation water. Drought conditions remained with very little moisture. Snow equivalent was 16% of normal and precipitation was 84% of normal.

Soil Moisture and Irrigation Water Supply — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/26/15

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	7	28	64	1
Oregon.....	3	46	50	1
Washington.....	-	30	68	2
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	7	31	62	-
Oregon.....	8	54	38	-
Washington.....	5	32	61	2

- Represents zero.

Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/26/15

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter wheat					
Idaho.....	-	9	30	54	7
Oregon.....	-	5	58	31	6
Washington.....	2	12	55	29	2

- Represents zero.

Weekly Weather Statistics — Idaho: April 20 - April 26, 2015

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation			
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days
					Total	DFN							
NORTH													
Coeur d' Alene.....	30	74	48	+0	14	+3	0.09	-0.33	1	18.59	-0.72	96	93
Fenn.....	35	80	52	+1	23	-2	0.36	-0.48	4	26.67	-2.38	92	108
Lewiston.....	35	80	54	+2	39	+7	0.05	-0.30	2	8.20	-0.15	98	78
Bonnors Ferry.....	32	77	50	+1	21	+7	0.11	-0.24	1	18.05	+2.16	114	80
Nezperce.....	30	70	46	-1	8	+6	0.34	-0.22	4	13.24	+0.55	104	119
SOUTHWEST													
Boise.....	31	78	52	+0	21	-10	0.11	-0.17	4	11.99	+2.66	129	111
Emmett.....	33	80	53	+2	32	+0	0.25	-0.03	2	10.86	-0.05	100	62
Glenns Ferry.....	34	78	52	-1	22	-8	0.02	-0.12	2	7.08	-0.64	92	76
Grand View.....	33	81	53	-2	23	-14	0.04	-0.10	1	5.71	+0.70	114	66
Nampa.....	35	75	53	+1	26	-7	0.08	-0.13	1	9.11	+1.66	122	83
Parma.....	35	78	55	+4	36	+6	0.17	-0.04	1	7.57	-0.73	91	68
SOUTH CENTRAL													
Fairfield.....	25	71	45	+1	1	+1	0.12	-0.14	3	9.46	-2.07	82	87
Malta.....	27	72	48	-1	5	-11	0.18	-0.10	3	6.51	+0.11	102	78
Picabo.....	27	72	48	+5	8	+8	0.11	-0.10	2	8.54	-1.17	88	68
Rupert.....	31	71	48	-1	6	-13	0.02	-0.19	2	4.65	-2.14	68	70
Twin Falls.....	33	74	50	+3	17	-1	0.01	-0.21	1	5.54	-2.40	70	58
EAST													
Aberdeen.....	32	73	49	+4	10	+6	0.02	-0.19	1	2.97	-2.99	50	39
Ashton.....	29	73	47	+4	6	+6	0.40	+0.02	5	10.88	-2.74	80	86
Fort Hall.....	30	72	49	+4	5	+3	0.12	-0.16	2	4.99	-2.77	64	72
Idaho Falls.....	32	73	51	+5	15	+7	0.05	-0.17	1	4.94	-1.87	73	45
Lava Hot Springs.....	31	72	49	+3	7	-5	0.19	-0.11	2	10.29	-0.91	92	56
Monteview.....	29	73	49	+3	10	+4	0.20	-0.03	2	2.52	-2.72	48	27
Preston.....	31	77	51	+5	18	+8	0.62	+0.26	2	8.06	-2.66	75	50
Rexburg.....	26	74	48	+4	6	+6	0.26	-0.03	4	7.49	-1.13	87	87

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 04/26/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted.....	78	68	91	67
Spring wheat emerged.....	42	22	50	29
Winter wheat headed.....	3	1	-	-
Barley planted.....	83	73	80	61
Barley emerged.....	48	25	37	24
Oats planted.....	80	43	77	62
Oats emerged.....	31	23	41	30
Potatoes planted.....	31	27	35	27
Potatoes emerged.....	3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets planted.....	88	68	73	78
Sugarbeets emerged.....	22	15	9	9
Field corn planted.....	32	10	27	16
Dry edible beans planted.....	1	(NA)	13	3
Dry peas planted.....	48	41	41	31
Dry peas emerged.....	4	(NA)	8	4
Onions planted.....	98	95	96	98
Onions emerged.....	43	39	38	41

-Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Weekly Weather Statistics — Washington: April 20 - April 26, 2015

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation			
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days
					Total	DFN							
WEST													
Bellingham.....	36	68	50	-1	10	-4	0.44	-0.19	4	29.72	+0.70	102	115
Everett.....	40	69	50	-2	11	-5	0.41	-0.22	4	28.57	-1.11	96	124
Hoquiam.....	35	66	50	+0	8	-6	0.51	-0.54	5	58.68	-0.95	98	129
Kelso.....	36	79	51	+0	14	-6	0.65	-0.17	3	34.07	-6.17	85	116
Olympia.....	32	77	48	-1	6	-2	0.63	-0.11	4	41.87	-2.56	94	120
Sea-Tac.....	40	73	52	+1	16	-3	0.52	-0.03	4	33.96	+2.25	107	123
Shelton.....	34	78	49	-3	10	-8	1.22	+0.28	4	57.40	-1.17	98	122
Tacoma.....	33	73	48	-4	4	-13	0.61	-0.05	4	31.30	-2.91	91	122
Vancouver.....	38	80	52	-1	18	-8	0.20	-0.36	3	30.03	-1.10	96	119
CENTRAL													
Ellensburg.....	27	80	52	+3	24	+10	0.00	-0.14	0	6.26	-0.88	88	60
Omak.....	27	78	53	+2	28	+4	0.03	-0.25	2	9.82	+0.88	110	60
Stampede Pass.....	30	65	45	+7	3	+3	0.34	-0.89	4	42.42	-28.71	60	112
Wenatchee.....	36	80	55	+3	41	+10	0.00	-0.10	0	5.85	-0.68	90	55
Yakima AP.....	28	83	54	+5	35	+17	0.00	-0.11	0	4.98	-1.53	76	55
NORTHEAST													
Colville.....	34	80	55	+6	34	+20	0.15	-0.24	2	14.38	-1.17	92	88
Deer Park.....	25	75	46	-3	9	-2	0.18	-0.30	2	14.30	-5.09	74	89
Kettle Falls.....	32	77	51	-2	19	-3	0.35	-0.06	3	13.41	+0.00	100	90
Spokane.....	33	74	50	+2	19	+7	0.01	-0.30	1	12.16	-0.09	99	83
EAST CENTRAL													
Ephrata.....	31	78	53	-2	27	-5	0.07	-0.02	2	5.91	+0.14	102	51
Moses Lake.....	29	78	52	-2	24	-8	0.00	-0.09	0	5.50	-0.27	95	51
Quincy.....	32	79	55	+2	39	+9	0.05	-0.06	1	7.25	+1.11	118	39
Ritzville.....	25	76	50	+1	25	+11	0.01	-0.20	1	9.41	-0.03	100	69
SOUTHEAST													
Hanford.....	34	82	56	-1	44	-3	0.00	-0.07	0	3.93	-1.59	71	51
Lake Bryan Rice.....	34	82	54	+4	31	+9	0.00	-0.28	0	11.86	+0.45	104	80
Pasco.....	30	83	55	-2	35	-10	0.01	-0.12	1	4.32	-1.94	69	55
Pullman.....	30	74	49	+2	13	+1	0.07	-0.32	2	15.34	-0.68	96	86
Silcott Island.....	36	82	55	+3	38	+6	0.00	-0.35	0	6.47	-1.88	77	69
Walla Walla.....	36	79	56	+2	41	+4	0.00	-0.42	0	12.14	-3.83	76	76
Whitman Mission.....	30	80	52	+0	25	-2	0.00	-0.28	0	10.11	-0.68	94	86

Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 04/26/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted.....	90	88	75	69
Spring wheat emerged.....	47	28	35	37
Barley planted.....	77	66	59	54
Barley emerged.....	35	9	22	23
Oats planted.....	45	35	(NA)	(NA)
Oats emerged.....	15	10	(NA)	(NA)
Potatoes planted.....	85	80	71	70
Potatoes emerged.....	25	14	3	6
Field corn planted.....	23	14	50	41
Dry edible beans planted.....	6	-	23	22
Dry peas planted.....	72	55	38	38
Dry peas emerged.....	8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Onions planted.....	73	66	(NA)	(NA)
Onions emerged.....	40	36	(NA)	(NA)

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Weekly Weather Statistics — Oregon: April 20 - April 26, 2015

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation			
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					Total	DFN							
COASTAL AREAS													
Astoria.....	39	67	50	+0	4	-7	0.47	-0.55	6	55.45	-2.93	95	133
Bandon.....	39	60	51	+0	10	-4	0.40	-0.54	3	53.07	+0.59	101	133
Florence.....	34	59	47	-5	0	-14	1.10	+0.05	4	67.52	+3.38	105	129
North Bend.....	39	59	51	+0	11	-3	0.58	-0.49	3	43.43	-13.93	76	113
Tillamook.....	36	63	48	-1	2	-5	0.93	-0.50	5	51.20	-27.13	65	133
WILLAMETTE VALLEY													
Aurora.....	37	81	52	+2	21	+0	0.59	-0.11	4	31.96	-4.24	88	129
Corvallis.....	34	77	50	-2	11	-10	0.15	-0.48	4	32.74	-5.51	86	141
Detroit Lake.....	34	83	49	+0	17	+0	0.71	-0.90	4	53.82	-21.00	72	114
Eugene.....	33	75	50	-1	13	-7	0.20	-0.56	4	29.50	-15.18	66	116
Hillsboro.....	35	80	51	-3	16	-12	0.07	-0.44	2	29.51	-3.53	89	114
McMinnville.....	36	79	51	-1	17	-5	0.23	-0.34	4	32.72	-4.60	88	117
Portland.....	42	81	53	+1	27	+1	0.25	-0.31	3	29.31	-1.82	94	115
Salem.....	38	78	52	+2	17	-4	0.32	-0.27	3	32.59	-2.26	94	109
SOUTHWESTERN VALLEYS													
Grants Pass.....	38	87	56	+5	45	+17	0.10	-0.30	3	24.05	-4.21	85	99
Medford.....	38	83	55	+3	40	+7	0.18	-0.10	3	15.31	-0.18	99	81
Roseburg.....	40	80	54	+1	32	-3	0.13	-0.45	3	25.95	-3.54	88	100
NORTH CENTRAL													
Condon.....	28	75	49	+3	14	+8	0.00	-0.35	0	6.94	-3.83	64	60
Echo.....	34	82	54	+0	33	-7	0.02	-0.19	2	5.10	-3.21	61	82
Heppner.....	31	74	52	+2	27	+5	0.02	-0.33	1	7.36	-2.99	71	72
Hermiston.....	27	80	54	-2	31	-9	0.00	-0.21	0	4.44	-3.87	53	58
Madras.....	27	75	47	-1	10	-4	0.01	-0.25	1	6.79	-2.20	76	77
Moro.....	30	76	49	+2	18	+4	0.00	-0.19	0	7.69	-1.42	84	72
Parkdale.....	30	78	49	+1	11	-3	0.41	-0.01	3	32.17	+3.75	113	117
Pendleton.....	30	75	51	-2	18	-12	0.01	-0.27	1	7.97	-1.66	83	76
Prairie City.....	22	75	45	+3	4	+4	0.30	-0.02	4	10.47	-5.38	66	106
The Dalles.....	35	84	56	+1	45	+2	0.00	-0.14	0	10.44	-2.28	82	72
SOUTH CENTRAL													
Agency Lake.....	34	77	51	+8	24	+24	0.00	-0.28	0	16.61	-0.16	99	72
Bend.....	28	73	47	+3	8	+8	0.26	+0.09	3	9.51	+0.79	109	49
Burns.....	20	75	46	+2	6	+6	0.04	-0.17	1	7.09	-0.80	90	58
Christmas Valley.....	21	75	44	+0	0	+0	0.02	-0.19	2	5.53	-2.43	69	80
Klamath Falls.....	24	76	46	+1	7	+7	0.00	-0.14	0	11.20	+1.70	118	65
Lakeview.....	22	73	45	-1	2	+2	0.01	-0.27	1	8.11	-3.81	68	76
Lorella.....	17	75	44	-3	1	-1	0.02	-0.19	2	11.32	+2.80	133	72
Redmond.....	22	75	44	-4	3	-11	0.09	-0.06	2	6.25	+0.48	108	59
Worden.....	21	76	48	+4	2	+2	0.11	-0.03	2	12.53	+3.03	132	78
NORTHEAST													
Baker City.....	20	74	45	-2	5	-3	0.06	-0.15	2	4.59	-1.74	73	55
Joseph.....	19	68	44	-3	4	+1	0.00	-0.49	0	5.18	-7.69	40	46
La Grande.....	27	72	48	-1	10	-4	0.07	-0.32	1	6.66	-5.59	54	68
Imbler.....	23	75	46	-3	9	-5	0.11	-0.37	5	12.70	-6.30	67	104
SOUTHEAST													
Ontario.....	35	76	55	+4	39	+6	0.03	-0.14	1	7.31	+0.11	102	60
Rome.....	25	78	50	+3	17	+3	0.58	+0.30	3	4.74	-1.34	78	43

Summary based on NWS data. Season cumulative precipitation starts: September 1, 2014. DFN = Departure from normal. NA = Data not available.	Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Precipitation days= Days with precipitation of 0.01 inch or more. Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Normals period 1971-2000 used in DFN calculations.
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Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 04/26/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted	86	82	90	85
Spring wheat emerged	65	59	66	55
Winter wheat headed	3	-	2	-
Barley planted	87	82	90	80
Barley emerged	60	26	64	55
Oats planted	70	63	(NA)	(NA)
Oats emerged	21	15	(NA)	(NA)
Potatoes planted	65	60	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets planted	65	45	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn planted	39	33	(NA)	(NA)
Dry peas planted	40	33	(NA)	(NA)

-Represents zero.

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