



Crop Progress and Condition



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Some Row Crops Harvested in Cooler Weather in Idaho

There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 5.6 days the previous week. Idaho remained cooler than average after receiving some snow two weeks ago. Grain corn harvest continued. Idaho sugarbeet harvest neared completion. Northern Idaho observed some very cold nighttime temperatures that effectively killed all frost-sensitive plants and slowed pasture growth. The sunny days brought warmer daytime temperatures that continued to support growth of winter wheat seedlings and a little pasture grass. In Clark and Fremont Counties, farming was finished for the season. Cattle were coming off the summer range and in some cases the fall range. Teton County reported freezing temperatures and snow. For the most part, the remainder of the state was dry and enjoyed typical Idaho fall weather.

Dry and Cold Conditions in Oregon

There were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, down from 6.5 the previous week. The Willamette Valley continued to have dry conditions and low nightly temperatures. Producers finished planting grass and grain crops. Hazelnut harvest wrapped up and farm stands were winding down. Many fields had either cover crops or next year's crops planted. Some livestock remained out on pasture, but grass growth was slowing down. Winter grains were in good condition. The northern Oregon coast had sunny days and clear, cold nights with frost. Producers seeded recently harvested corn silage fields. Grass silage harvest was underway. North central Oregon had temperatures back up to the 70's. Producers worked on finishing seeding and attempted to spray. Pastures were not recovering well. Southwest Oregon had freezing temperatures that pushed orchard, vineyard, berry, and nursery crops into dormancy. The cold weather ended the growing season two weeks prematurely. Many perennial crops had already hardened, so minimal frost damage occurred. Malheur County had favorable conditions that propelled sugarbeet and corn harvests. Rangeland continued to be very dry and dusty. Livestock was moved off range. Lake County received no precipitation last week. Livestock producers continued to truck cattle to winter pastures. Low temperatures dipped into the single digits. Klamath County hay producers finished their fourth cutting of alfalfa hay. Conditions were very dry and crop progress was falling behind. Central Oregon had dry conditions and warm temperatures. Industrial hemp harvest continued.

Freezing or Near Freezing Temperatures Reported Across Washington

There were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, up from 5.8 days the previous week. Western Washington experienced near freezing temperatures and a bit of rain. In San Juan County, most CSA operations scrambled to recover the remaining field crop harvests before the hard frost. Livestock were on cool season resurgent grasses and stock piled feed on many farms. Producers harvested the last of the potatoes and corn silage in Skagit County. Tulip planting started. Some dairies were able to get a fifth cutting of grass for silage or green chop in Snohomish County. Harvest was complete for winter squash and other vegetable crops. Some field preparation and cover crop seeding also took place. In eastern Washington, Yakima County had below freezing temperatures. Fruit and vegetable harvests were nearly complete. A few late-maturing apple varieties went into packinghouses. However, most of those originated outside Yakima County. Yakima County reported some apples remained unharvested this year. Some of those orchards had tree tear-out occurring. Field crews collected color-up cloths from other apple orchards as well as black plastic and irrigation tubing from vegetable fields. Vegetable stands were still open as they sold off the season's harvest of squash, tomatoes, and peppers. Pend Oreille and Spokane Counties reported hard frosts and some snow last weekend. Asotin and Garfield Counties enjoyed some rain and warmer temperatures.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/01/20

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho	28	32	40	-
Oregon	46	31	23	-
Washington	17	31	50	2
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho	29	36	32	3
Oregon	48	29	23	-
Washington	13	36	49	2

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/01/20

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	13	26	31	30	-
Oregon	40	49	8	3	-
Washington	38	28	29	5	-
Winter wheat					
Idaho	1	1	36	47	15
Oregon	4	18	37	32	9
Washington	1	5	36	52	6
Corn					
Oregon	1	3	32	49	15

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 11/01/20

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged	77	61	76	81
Sugarbeets harvested	86	76	84	79
Field corn harvested for grain	57	45	70	61
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	80	74	84	84

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 11/01/20

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted	93	85	94	90
Winter wheat emerged	33	29	63	54
Sugarbeets harvested	91	75	80	79
Field corn harvested for grain	52	42	76	76
Field corn harvested for silage	91	85	93	91
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	95	92	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

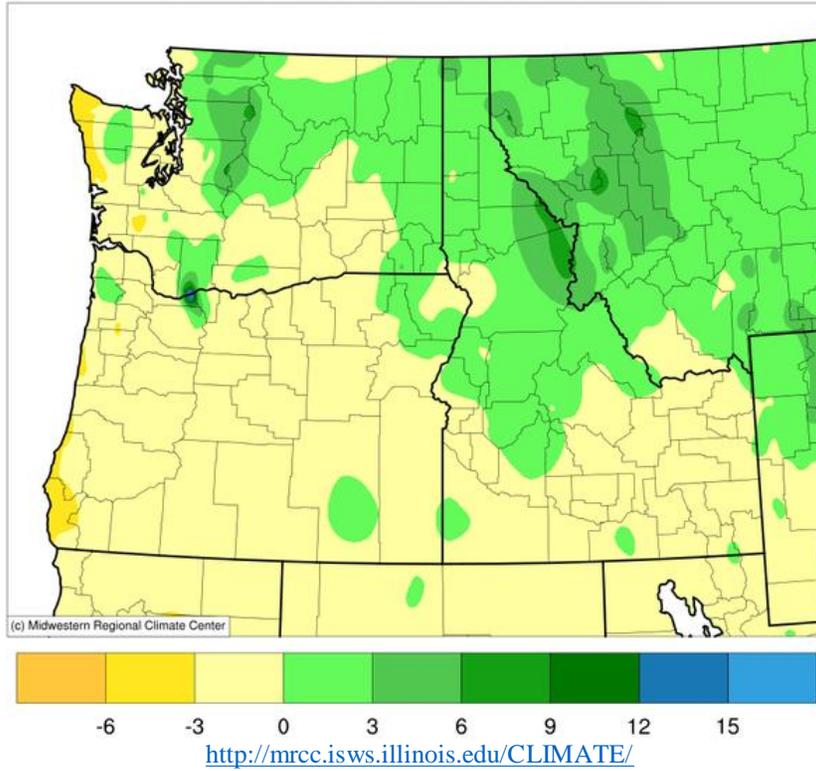
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 11/01/20

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged	78	68	76	75
Potatoes harvested	95	92	94	96
Sugarbeets harvested	75	70	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn harvested for grain	90	75	52	64
Field corn harvested for silage	93	90	92	97
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	92	88	86	93

(NA) Not available.

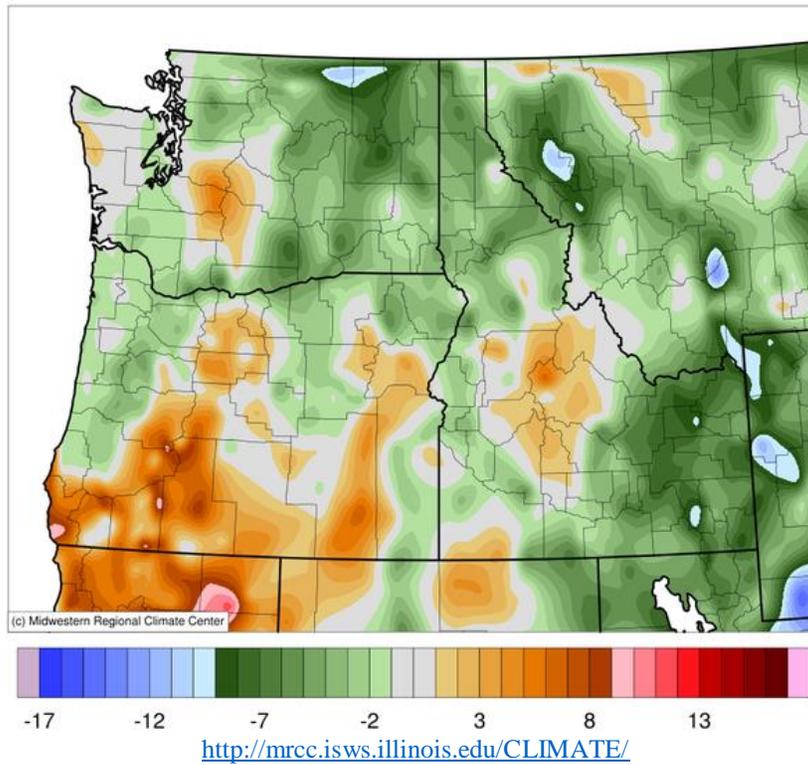
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

October 01, 2020 to November 01, 2020



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

October 26, 2020 to November 01, 2020



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