



Crop Progress and Condition



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A Little Moisture Tempered an Unseasonably Dry Spring in Idaho

There were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 5.4 days reported from previous week. Some rainfall near the end of last week helped alleviate very dry conditions in Idaho. Days suitable for fieldwork continued a consistent trend, which helped planting progress maintain a steady pace. Spring grains were planted across northern Idaho. The warmer counties were close to complete. Southwest Idaho continued to experience some very dry conditions on much of the rangeland. It was unseasonably dry in the lower Weiser drainage. Washington County observed poor pasture growth from dry conditions and cool temperatures. Some livestock producers turned out their livestock later than normal. In south central Idaho sugarbeet planting wrapped up. Most spring cereals were emerged. Corn planting had begun. Minidoka County reported that many acres of planted sugarbeets were replanted due to very high winds. High winds last week prevented some work in eastern Idaho. Fields were still melting in Teton County. Rangeland pastures needed moisture.

Dry Weather Continued in Oregon

There were 6.2 days suitable for field work, down from 6.8 the previous week. Willamette Valley reported warm and dry weather for the week. Farmers sprayed and finished spring planting. Pastures received rain. In Polk County, conditions were dry. Hazelnut orchards leafed out. In Clatsop and Tillamook Counties, several fields were harvested for grass silage. Preparations began for corn silage planting. Fertilizer and stored manure were applied to fields. In northwest Oregon, close to Portland, dry conditions continued with soil drying down quickly. Pastures and crops looked good with no limitations on farm activity. Dry weather persisted in north central Oregon. Wheat was stressed due to lack of rain and pastures dried up. Baker and Grant Counties were dry, cool, and windy. Pastures were short with not much spring growth. Northeast Oregon experienced some rain. About half of the winter canola reached bloom. Southwest Oregon remained dry. Soil moisture recharge was needed for perennial crops. Orchard crops were mostly finished blooming. Blueberry crops were in early bloom. Rain was needed for field crops. Lake County reported below average rainfall and livestock producers continued to haul water to cattle on their desert allotments and spring pastures.

Improved Field Conditions in Washington

There were 6.5 days suitable for field work, down from 6.8 days reported the previous week. Statewide temperatures in Washington for week ending April 25 were normal to above normal. In western Washington, rain helped the fields that were dried out. In Clallam County, it was another good week of weather for farming. Field conditions improved. First grass cutting was still too early, but spring grains and grass were planted. In King County, nursery stock harvest and cut flowers did well. In central Washington, Okanogan County received much needed moisture and cattle producers relied on early annual grass pastures. The annual grasses did not get much height before burning off and seeding out. In Klickitat County, it was dry with no pasture for cows to graze since no perennial spring grasses were planted. In Yakima County, field crews began to lay out irrigation and placed black plastic over vegetable hills to warm the soils to receive early spring transplants. Grapevines began to leaf out and cherries were in the shuck split stage. In east central Washington, it was drier than normal which impacted winter wheat conditions. In southeast Washington, rain was still needed.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/25/21

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho	4	28	68	-
Oregon	33	36	30	1
Washington.....	16	45	37	2
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho	9	21	69	1
Oregon	32	36	31	1
Washington.....	17	24	56	3

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/25/21

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	12	16	41	29	2
Oregon	19	26	27	25	3
Washington.....	33	17	34	15	1
Winter wheat					
Idaho	2	9	32	49	8
Oregon	3	10	35	39	13
Washington.....	1	7	32	55	5

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 04/25/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted	64	46	60	55
Spring wheat emerged	30	4	13	12
Barley planted	61	46	58	60
Barley emerged	30	5	22	24
Oats planted	50	39	49	41
Oats emerged	18	6	22	16
Potatoes planted	44	33	26	35
Potatoes emerged	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets planted	87	74	79	77
Sugarbeets emerged	21	(NA)	24	(NA)
Field corn planted	10	3	10	20
Dry edible beans planted	14	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible peas planted	63	46	63	24
Dry edible peas emerged	25	(NA)	20	(NA)
Onions planted	93	79	98	86
Onions emerged	21	20	66	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 04/25/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted	97	87	91	77
Spring wheat emerged	69	38	70	52
Winter wheat headed	-	-	1	-
Barley planted	93	80	92	72
Barley emerged	59	30	67	44
Oats planted	82	66	90	60
Oats emerged	33	27	70	34
Potatoes planted	69	55	83	55
Potatoes emerged	17	(NA)	29	(NA)
Sugarbeets planted	90	85	95	68
Sugarbeets emerged	25	(NA)	69	(NA)
Field corn planted	31	24	54	26
Dry edible peas emerged	79	12	61	(NA)
Onions planted	83	72	94	72
Onions emerged	35	28	67	(NA)

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

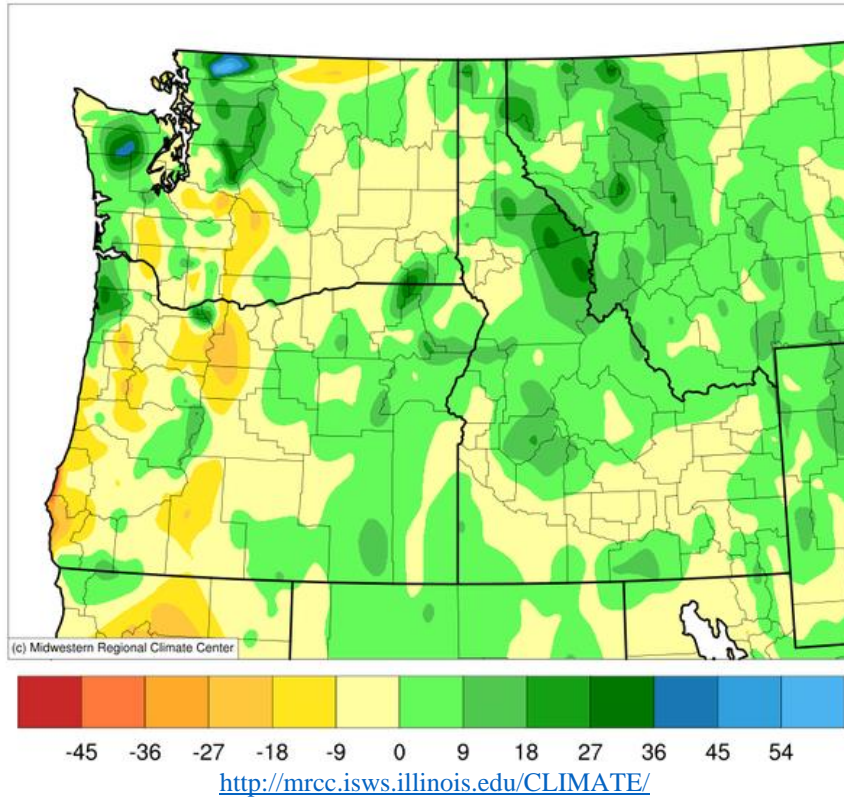
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 04/25/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted	80	71	87	60
Spring wheat emerged	55	15	58	25
Barley planted	78	74	75	41
Barley emerged	53	24	37	15
Oats planted	31	11	41	26
Oats emerged	1	(NA)	2	7
Potatoes planted	79	49	47	50
Potatoes emerged	5	(NA)	3	(NA)
Field corn planted	25	2	30	29
Dry edible beans planted	60	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible peas planted	63	24	68	41
Dry edible peas emerged	13	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Onions planted	89	80	42	63
Onions emerged	14	(NA)	13	7

(NA) Not available.

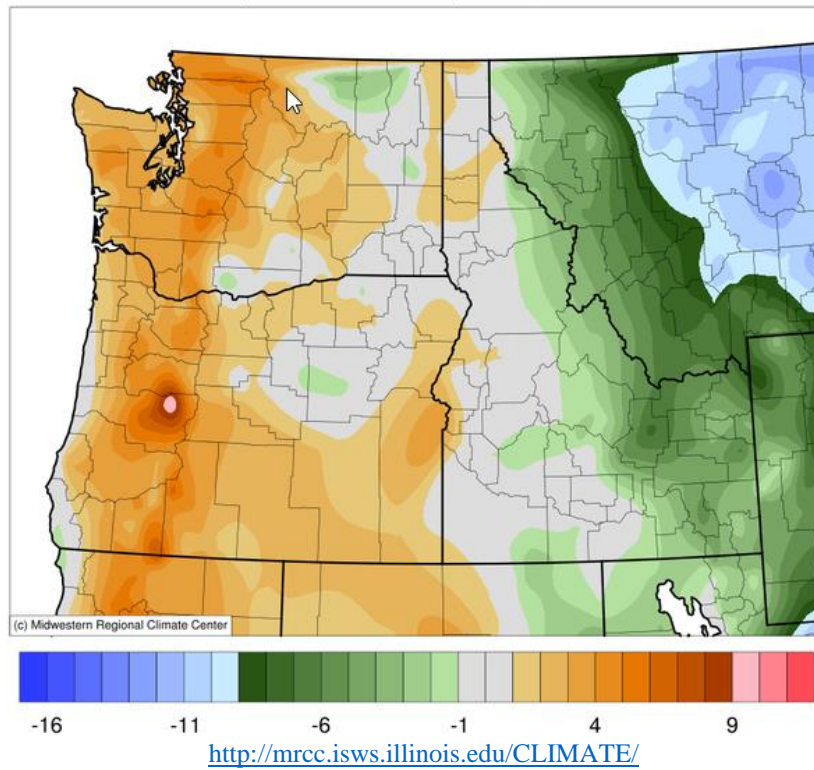
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

October 01, 2020 to April 25, 2021



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

April 19, 2021 to April 25, 2021



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