



Crop Progress and Condition



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Great Autumn Weather Reported for Idaho Row Crop Farmers

There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 6.8 days the previous week. Temperatures were slightly below average in central Idaho and near normal in the northern portions of the State. Dry weather allowed farmers to maintain good harvest progress for potatoes, beets, corn, and onions. Corn silage harvest progressed rapidly. Corn maturity was ahead of seasonal norms. Grain corn harvest started to pick up for high moisture corn. Winter cereal planting continued ahead of irrigation water seasonal shut-offs. The potato harvest was halfway complete. Sugarbeet harvest continued to ramp up. Final cuttings of alfalfa were reported. In the central mountains of Idaho, a couple of wildfires were burning.

Rain Received in Oregon, Pastures Recovering

There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork, a decrease from the previous week. In northwest Oregon, rain allowed pasture conditions to recover and green up again. Heavy rain delayed corn silage harvest. Also, grass cover crops showed up in the early harvested silage fields. North Central Oregon received some rain. Producers started to get out in the fields to get the seeding process started. In northeast Oregon, dryland winter wheat was planted into dry soil. Many producers had tractors and drills out last week. In southwest Oregon, the area received significant rainfall, which allowed pastures to green up quickly. The rain allowed nearly all cover crops, small grains, and other fall forage crops to be seeded, with about fifty percent of small grain stands now visible in fields. Wine grape harvest slowed down for a few days, with only about twenty-five percent of the crop still left in the field. A small number of apple growers had late-maturing crops to harvest. In Malheur County, harvest operations continued last week for onions, corn, sugarbeets, and hay. Weather conditions were favorable for harvest. Some operations only delayed harvest by one day due to the light rain early in the week. Growers turned on the last of their irrigation as districts wound down operations for the season. In Lake County, there was no rain. Many producers reported that they continued to haul water to their cattle and started to feed hay much earlier than normal due to the poor fall pasture conditions and recent wildfires.

Favorable Weather for Farming Throughout Washington

There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 6.6 the previous week. Statewide temperatures for the week ending October 3 were below normal. In San Juan County, more rain and cooler temperatures pushed the area past drought conditions. Livestock was on stored feed. CSA farms continued fall harvest. Some fieldwork was delayed due to storm systems that brought high winds. In Chelan County, winter wheat planting was completed. Most fieldwork was done with only corn harvest left. Yakima County received much needed rainfall throughout the area. The Schneider Springs Fire was at fifty-five percent containment. Apple harvest continued, and field crews brought in later apple varieties. Hop harvest was near completion. In Adams County, perfect weather allowed corn for grain to be harvested. Dry beans harvest was near completion. Alfalfa fourth cutting was slow to dry for baling, but progress was made by the end of the week. In Columbia County, dry conditions remained and slowed seeding.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/03/21

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	29	42	28	1
Oregon.....	57	22	21	-
Washington.....	58	28	13	1
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	32	41	26	1
Oregon.....	62	23	15	-
Washington.....	64	25	8	3

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 10/03/21

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho.....	29	34	26	11	-
Oregon.....	65	18	13	4	-
Washington.....	77	14	4	5	-
Potatoes					
Idaho.....	1	9	32	50	8
Corn					
Idaho.....	-	-	3	70	27
Oregon.....	1	3	13	72	11
Washington.....	-	4	60	36	-
Sugarbeets					
Idaho.....	-	1	4	51	44
Oregon.....	-	-	10	80	10

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 10/03/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted.....	67	54	56	58
Winter wheat emerged.....	27	15	21	23
Potatoes harvested.....	52	33	64	56
Sugarbeets harvested.....	24	16	30	28
Field corn mature.....	72	68	54	67
Field corn harvested for grain	6	3	3	13
Field corn harvested for silage	79	60	76	66
Dry edible beans harvested	87	81	91	84
Onions harvested	85	75	83	75
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	61	52	56	59

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 10/03/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted.....	19	10	27	38
Winter wheat emerged.....	2	1	8	12
Potatoes harvested.....	71	67	69	70
Sugarbeets harvested.....	11	7	15	15
Field corn harvested for grain	22	10	13	18
Field corn harvested for silage	70	68	56	56
Onions harvested	59	51	67	69

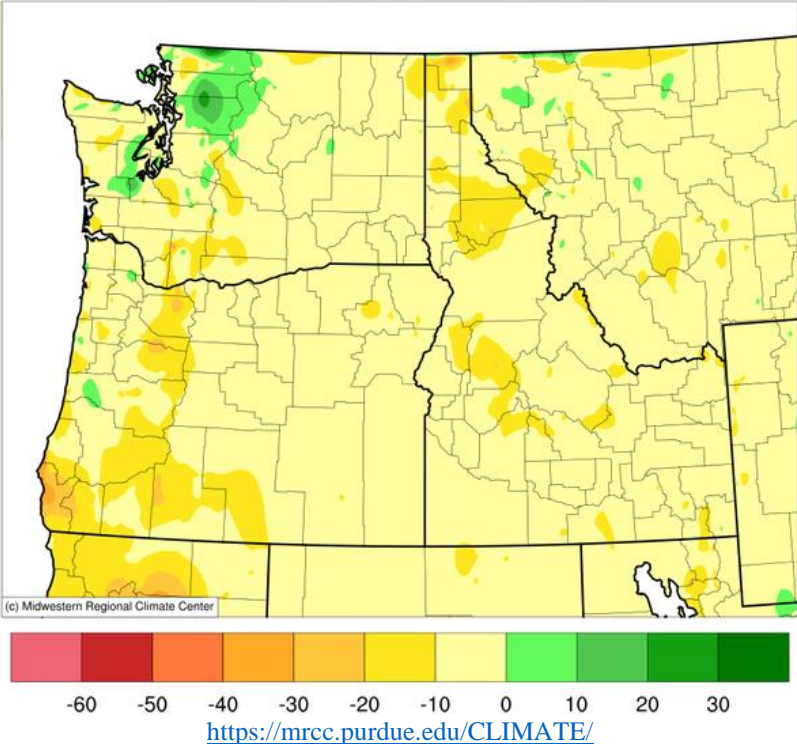
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 10/03/21

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat planted.....	77	67	74	70
Winter wheat emerged.....	40	26	51	42
Potatoes harvested.....	59	55	69	61
Field corn dented.....	82	68	85	83
Field corn mature.....	53	35	63	54
Field corn harvested for grain	22	10	49	22
Field corn harvested for silage	61	51	62	61
Dry edible peas harvested	96	94	(NA)	(NA)
Onions harvested	70	62	78	80
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	58	42	66	76

(NA) Not available.

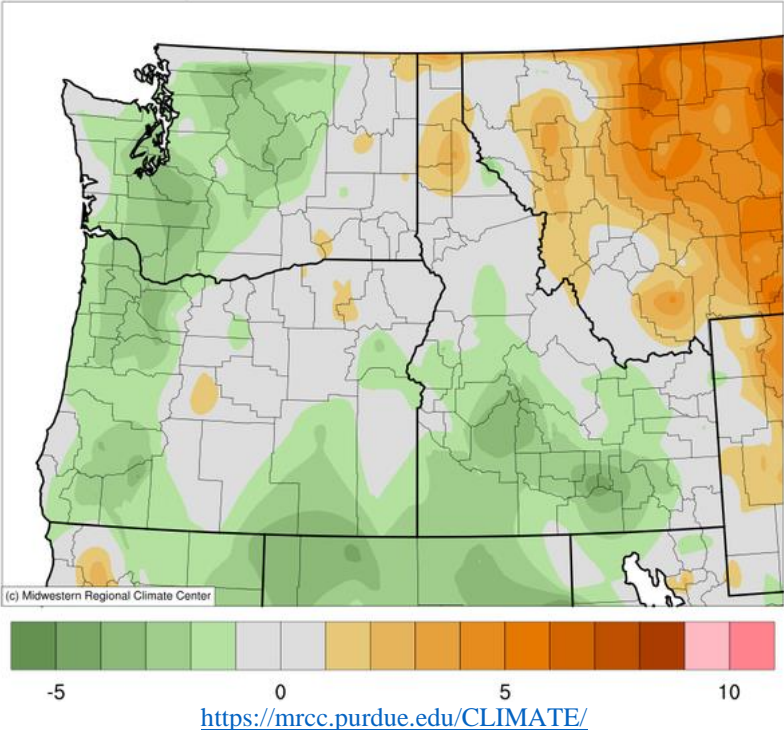
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2020 to October 03, 2021



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

September 27, 2021 to October 03, 2021



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