



Crop Progress and Condition



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Idaho Planting Remained Behind Normal

There were 3.9 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, up from 3.6 days reported the previous week. Much of Idaho experienced cooler than average temperatures for the week. In south central Idaho, spring cereal, potato, and sugarbeet plantings were in full swing. Constant cooler temperatures stalled the emergence of seedlings for various crops. Irrigation water was available, and pasture and lower elevation range grasses began to grow. Northeast Idaho fieldwork increased. In southeast Idaho, snow still covered most fields located above Falls River. In Bonneville and Madison Counties, cold, wet soils continued to delay planting. Jefferson County experienced some flooding in the western part of the county last week. Overall, Idaho planting remained behind normal.

More Rain and Cool Temperatures in Oregon

There were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, unchanged from the previous week. Hail, rain, and snow in the northwest region hampered field activities. The hailstorm caused some damage to fruit crops. While temperatures began to rise, the rain was constant. Rain and mild temperatures were seen in the central region with a positive crop outlook. A moist and frigid week was reported for the northeast region. Nighttime temperatures hit freezing most nights, slowing the development of crops more than usual. Winter wheat reached the jointing and elongation stage. Winter canola was growing well. Rain, planting, and snowpack melted for the southeast region. Most onions and sugarbeets were planted. Corn planting began and looked suitable for next week with the expected temperature rise. The melting of snowpack caused streams and reservoirs to fill, which improved livestock water situations.

April Showers and Cooler Temperatures Continued in Washington

There were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, up from 5.4 days last week. Western Washington saw cool weather, and slow pasture growth continued. Central Washington had a wet and cold week that was too wet for seeding and too cold for growing. Yakima County continued to see colder than normal April temperatures with overcast skies and rain. Early morning low temperatures dropped below freezing at least three times last week, triggering frost management measures. Apricot bloom was nearing the end. Cherries, peaches, and nectarines were in various stages of bloom, with some peaches entering full bloom. Apple and pear orchards were unfurling leaves, but no flower bloom was observed. Asparagus fields were nicely hilled, spears emerged, and harvest was anticipated to start soon. In northeast Washington, days were partly cloudy, with some rain at the end of the week. There were some reports of light frost overnight. In east central Washington, recent precipitation improved crop and soil moisture conditions. A lot of spring wheat was seeded last week.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/23/23

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	-	1	73	26
Oregon.....	5	21	59	15
Washington.....	5	10	69	16
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	2	18	65	15
Oregon.....	3	22	64	11
Washington.....	8	22	63	7

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/23/23

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho.....	4	10	47	37	2
Oregon.....	12	25	38	21	4
Washington.....	24	17	32	24	3
Winter wheat					
Idaho.....	1	12	59	28	-
Oregon.....	9	25	39	21	6
Washington.....	1	12	40	45	2

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 04/23/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted.....	26	25	36	48
Spring wheat emerged.....	1	-	9	9
Barley planted.....	29	15	40	49
Barley emerged.....	2	-	11	15
Oats planted.....	14	8	33	39
Oats emerged.....	1	-	7	11
Potatoes planted.....	15	7	27	32
Sugarbeets planted.....	53	40	59	72
Field corn planted.....	1	-	4	13
Dry edible beans planted.....	-	-	6	(NA)
Dry edible peas planted.....	12	9	39	34
Dry edible peas emerged.....	1	-	(NA)	(NA)
Onions planted.....	79	60	93	86
Onions emerged.....	10	-	23	22

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 04/23/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted.....	63	60	87	82
Spring wheat emerged.....	14	5	53	50
Barley planted.....	28	20	59	73
Barley emerged.....	3	1	18	37
Oats planted.....	24	16	55	68
Oats emerged.....	3	1	16	32
Potatoes planted.....	52	40	49	62
Potatoes emerged.....	10	2	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets planted.....	90	56	94	85
Sugarbeets emerged.....	-	-	62	(NA)
Field corn planted.....	9	2	20	27
Dry edible peas planted.....	68	23	68	(NA)
Dry edible peas emerged.....	15	1	18	29
Onions planted.....	71	50	81	76
Onions emerged.....	12	3	43	33

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

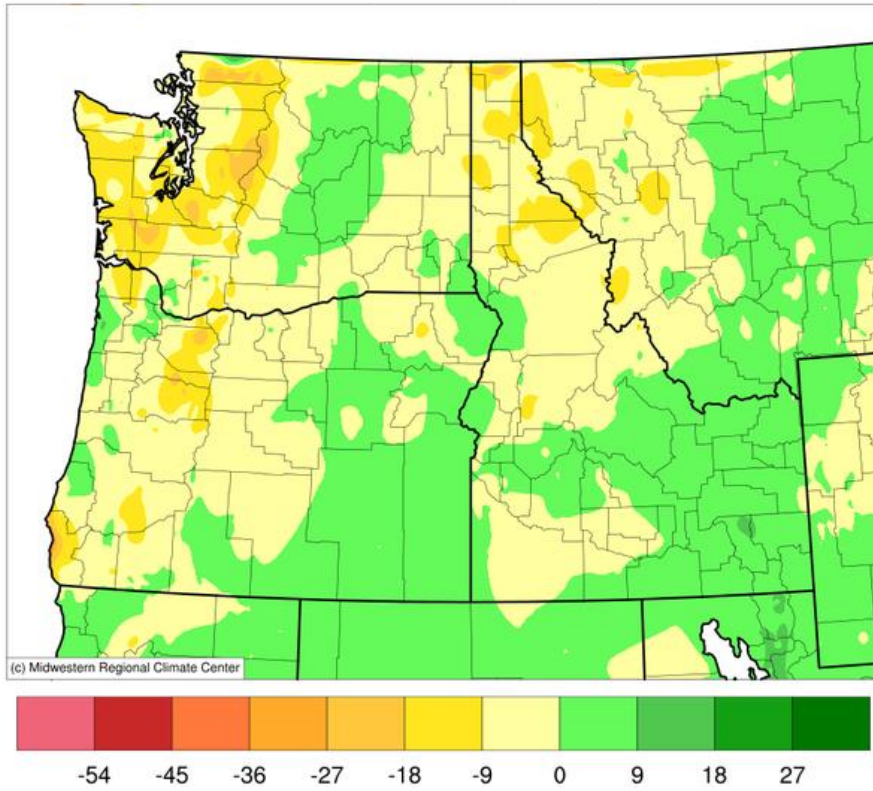
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 04/23/23

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted.....	48	27	68	62
Spring wheat emerged.....	10	2	23	26
Barley planted.....	27	15	55	50
Barley emerged.....	4	-	10	19
Potatoes planted.....	50	19	29	49
Potatoes emerged.....	11	-	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn planted.....	15	3	2	17
Dry edible beans planted.....	13	2	2	(NA)
Dry edible peas planted.....	13	10	40	39
Dry edible peas emerged.....	1	-	(NA)	(NA)
Onions planted.....	60	15	33	58
Onions emerged.....	5	-	(NA)	(NA)

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

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

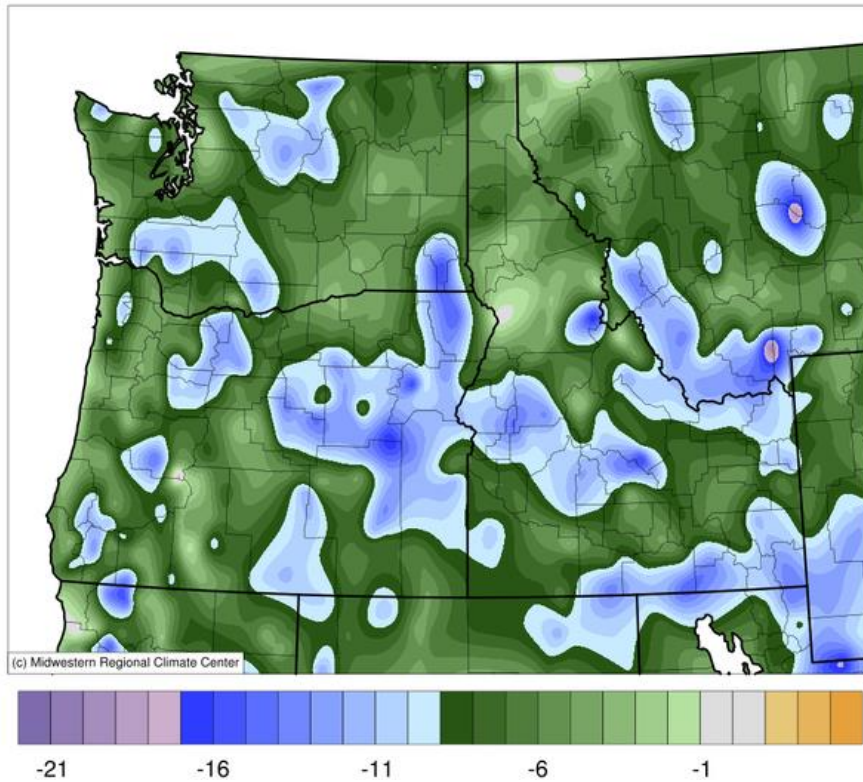
October 01, 2022 to April 23, 2023



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

April 17, 2023 to April 23, 2023



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