



Crop Progress and Condition



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Wind and Moisture in Idaho

There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, down slightly from 5.9 days the previous week. Idaho experienced windy conditions throughout the State. In Elmore and Owyhee Counties, winds dried out the surface moisture in cropland quicker than expected and range conditions declined. Jerome and Twin Falls Counties reported corn planting began. Irrigation started on crops while sugarbeets began emerging. Pastures greened up and the grass was looking good. Clark and Custer Counties received much needed moisture with some operations beginning to irrigate. Fremont, Madison, and Teton Counties reported fields were still wet, but they were drying out. Bannock and Bingham Counties also received some moisture at the end of the week.

Oregon Continued Rapid Progress

There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon, down from 6.9 days the previous week. Clatsop and Tillamook Counties reported an uptick in precipitation with light winds. Spring was revealing itself with trees fully leafed out. Many operations hayed fields and manure applications occurred. Plant growth continued at a rapid pace. Polk County reported no unusual conditions. Hood River, Sherman, and Wasco Counties reported a welcomed bit of precipitation. Shallow spots in wheat fields showed distress, possibly a result of the frequent change between freezing temperatures at night and warmer temperatures in the afternoon. Pastures were growing well, but they showed signs of drying out. More cattle were moved off winter pastures and many pastures were thriving after last year's drought. Umatilla County reported favorable progress for both winter and spring canola. The small amount of precipitation was welcomed, yet more precipitation was desirable. Union and Wallowa Counties reported a lack of significant precipitation, which led to dry conditions. Furthermore, freezing nighttime temperatures negatively impacted susceptible crops. Malheur County experienced excellent conditions for fieldwork. Corn continued to be planted with an increase in dry bean field preparation. Sugarbeets were reported to be mostly emerged. Onions were irrigated in earnest, while alfalfa seed was knocked back and herbicides were applied.

More Crops in the Ground in Washington

There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 7.0 days the previous week. Areas of western Washington saw rain that helped improve the soil profile. Central Washington had continued cool, dry weather. In Douglas County, intermittent rain showers provided moisture but interfered with weed spraying. In Yakima County, a few varieties of apples were in petal fall, but most varieties were in post bloom. Grapes showed good vine growth and cherries were developing fruit. Asparagus harvest started early this season but was still going strong. Vegetable crops were planted through black plastic. In northeast Washington, a heavy frost hurt alfalfa, but nothing was killed. Pend Oreille and Spokane Counties received moisture. Some ranchers were turning out livestock, and planting was well underway.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/28/24

Item and State	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	-	5	84	11
Oregon.....	4	28	58	10
Washington.....	3	19	74	4
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	-	8	79	13
Oregon.....	4	21	65	10
Washington.....	2	17	78	3

- Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 04/28/24

Crop and State	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho.....	-	8	24	55	13
Oregon.....	1	5	27	49	18
Washington.....	1	1	51	45	2
Winter wheat					
Idaho.....	-	5	28	62	5
Oregon.....	2	9	26	51	12
Washington.....	4	8	32	52	4
Spring wheat					
Oregon.....	1	3	22	64	10
Barley					
Oregon.....	1	2	33	55	9
Onions					
Idaho.....	-	-	5	90	5
Oregon.....	2	3	43	48	4
Sugarbeets					
Oregon.....	-	2	50	48	-
Dry edible peas					
Oregon.....	-	4	29	38	29

- Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 04/28/24

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted.....	72	55	40	57
Spring wheat emerged.....	30	10	9	18
Barley planted.....	65	53	42	59
Barley emerged.....	23	8	10	22
Oats planted.....	50	38	23	44
Oats emerged.....	11	5	5	16
Potatoes planted.....	31	23	24	37
Sugarbeets planted.....	63	39	66	82
Sugarbeets emerged.....	1	-	3	21
Field corn planted.....	22	10	2	17
Dry edible beans planted.....	32	16	1	(NA)
Dry edible peas planted.....	56	45	32	44
Dry edible peas emerged.....	8	5	5	(NA)
Onions planted.....	95	91	87	95
Onions emerged.....	46	28	31	46

- Represents zero.
(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 04/28/24

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted.....	95	89	70	(NA)
Spring wheat emerged.....	62	28	36	57
Winter wheat headed.....	-	-	-	2
Barley planted.....	86	78	49	75
Barley emerged.....	52	21	18	46
Oats planted.....	90	74	40	70
Oats emerged.....	46	19	12	39
Potatoes planted.....	79	68	56	69
Potatoes emerged.....	32	14	24	(NA)
Sugarbeets emerged.....	84	30	18	44
Field corn planted.....	37	20	25	36
Field corn emerged.....	8	(NA)	-	(NA)
Dry edible peas planted.....	95	71	82	(NA)
Dry edible peas emerged.....	61	28	31	44
Onions planted.....	95	88	83	(NA)
Onions emerged.....	58	31	36	49

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(NA) Not available.

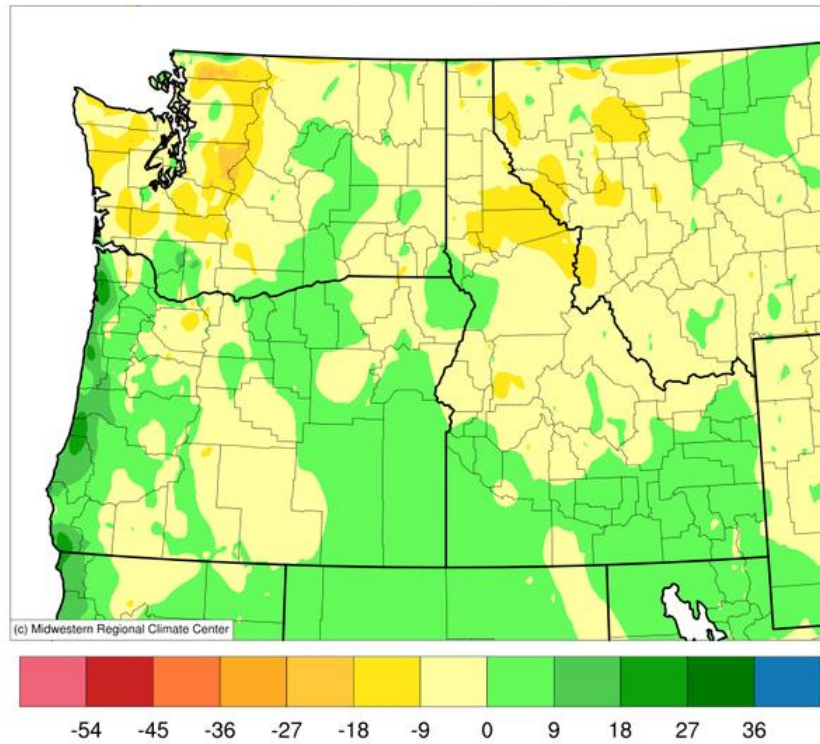
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 04/28/24

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted.....	76	60	67	73
Spring wheat emerged.....	38	18	30	38
Winter wheat headed.....	-	-	-	1
Barley planted.....	70	52	47	62
Barley emerged.....	24	4	10	25
Potatoes planted.....	78	66	54	57
Potatoes emerged.....	7	2	16	(NA)
Field corn planted.....	25	14	29	30
Field corn emerged.....	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans planted.....	48	32	17	(NA)
Dry edible beans emerged.....	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible peas planted.....	42	22	22	49
Dry edible peas emerged.....	9	1	3	(NA)
Onions planted.....	84	71	66	67
Onions emerged.....	22	8	12	(NA)

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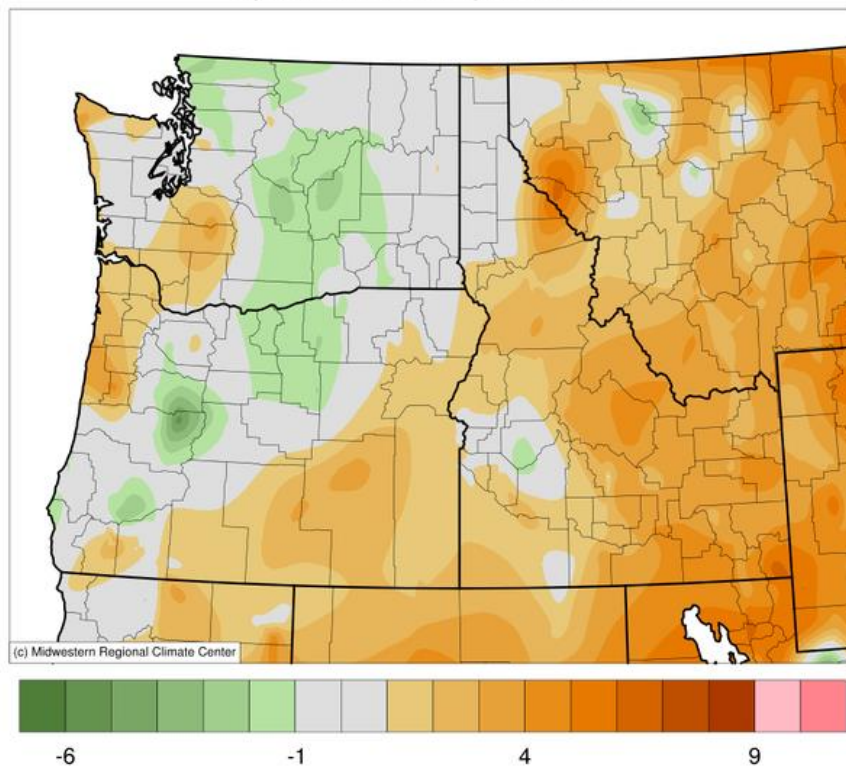
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2023 to April 28, 2024



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

April 22, 2024 to April 28, 2024



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