



IDAHO CROP WEATHER

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Drier Fields Allow Planting Progress

Agricultural Summary

Higher elevation agricultural fields were planted last week while sugarbeet growers sprayed and cultivated their fields for annual weeds, according to County Extension Educators. Temperatures ranged from 24 to 44 degree lows and 68 to 88 degree highs.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Idaho's Hay and Roughage supplies are 18 percent very short, 20 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 0 percent surplus. Cattle fed on rapidly drying pasture, according to Idaho's Custer County Extension Educator.

Field Crop Report

Cereal leaf beetles and Mormon crickets were reported in Southeastern Idaho fields. Camas and Latah County Extension Educators report good soil moisture, while elsewhere growers irrigated fields or prepared irrigation systems.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture was reported to be 18 percent short, 80 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers averaged 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Crop Progress

Percentages	2006	2005	Average
Field Corn Planted	63	44	56
Emerged	24	5	12
Oats Planted	64	67	78
Emerged	33	51	53
Onions Emerged	77	96	97
Dry Peas Planted	84	91	81
Emerged	36	77	55
Dry Beans Planted	28	24	19
Lentils Planted	79	93	78
Emerged	19	69	43

Grain Growth Stage

	Jointed	Booted	Headed
Winter Wheat	53	9	3
Spring Wheat	4	--	--
Barley	5	--	--

Crop Condition

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	--	3	10	79	8
Irr. Water Supply	--	--	3	27	70
Range and Pasture	--	1	17	55	27

Crop Progress by District

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2006	2005	Avg	2006	2005	Avg	2006	2005	Avg	2006	2005	Avg	2006	2005	Avg
Spring Wheat															
Planted.....	92	98	87	100	100	100	100	100	100	85	80	91	90	88	92
Emerged.....	38	82	53	81	100	100	92	95	97	33	58	68	45	71	71
Barley															
Planted.....	91	98	85	100	100	100	90	98	99	75	61	81	81	75	86
Emerged.....	42	79	50	96	100	100	75	89	91	18	36	47	36	54	61
Potatoes															
Planted.....	N/A	N/A	N/A	98	100	98	92	48	81	48	41	57	63	46	67
Emerged.....	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	31	47	14	3	13	--	--	1	4	3	7
Sugarbeets															
Planted.....	N/A	N/A	N/A	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	96	100	100	99
Emerged.....	N/A	N/A	N/A	37	100	99	71	88	83	37	93	79	58	91	86

Avg (2001 - 2005); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

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Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, May 14, 2006 ^{1/}

Station	Temperature 2/				Growing Degree Days 4/			Precipitation (Inches)				
	High	Low	Ave.	Dept 3/	40° Base	50° Base		Total 5/	Dept 3/	Month of May	March 1	
						To Date	Normal				To Date	Normal
North												
Coeur D' Alene	68	28	49	-7	420	62	84	0.00	-0.36	0.00	1.34	4.90
Grangeville	77	30	50	0	321	37	5	0.05	-0.75	0.13	5.58	6.72
Lewiston	85	35	57	-1	746	188	152	0.00	-0.34	0.20	4.42	3.05
Sand Point	71	28	49	-3	347	44	19	0.33	-0.25	0.62	4.24	6.23
Southwest												
Boise	85	34	59	3	692	205	105	0.21	-0.07	0.29	4.42	3.25
Caldwell	82	37	57	-2	733	214	185	0.44	0.23	0.44	2.19	2.86
Emmett	82	33	56	-1	602	144	113	0.24	-0.03	0.24	4.71	3.34
Mountain Home	88	34	60	4	746	226	83	0.14	-0.07	0.27	2.79	2.47
Parma	82	44	--	--	641	177	114	0.00	-0.24	0.00	2.31	2.69
Weiser	81	40	--	--	660	177	120	0.22	0.02	0.22	2.59	2.67
South-Central												
Buhl	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Burley	83	33	55	1	436	94	49	0.11	-0.20	0.12	3.72	2.69
Hill City	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hagerman	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Malta	82	37	--	--	468	104	34	0.00	-0.34	0.00	2.28	2.37
Twin Falls	81	31	55	2	510	125	25	0.16	-0.16	0.16	3.27	2.84
East												
Aberdeen	75	24	--	--	342	58	8	0.00	-0.27	0.00	2.53	2.15
Grace	78	24	49	-1	289	45	1	0.14	-0.35	0.14	4.35	3.77
Idaho Falls	82	24	50	-1	317	38	9	0.03	-0.33	0.13	3.89	2.65
Malad City	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Pocatello	81	29	53	0	396	70	21	0.01	-0.34	0.03	3.69	3.24
Rexburg	75	27	50	-1	316	52	7	0.11	-0.35	0.11	3.97	3.17
Salmon	75	27	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

1/ Weekly summary provided by the Western Regional Climate Center with data reported by the National Weather Service. When data is quality controlled by the National Climate Center, the accumulated growing degree days and precipitation values are updated. 2/ -- indicate missing or incomplete data. 3/ Weekly departure from normal. 4/ Totals from March 1. Growing degree days are estimated from neighboring sites for stations with missing or incomplete data. 5/ Precipitation totals are only for days reports were received; no estimates were made for missing data.