

WASHINGTON - HOP GROWING CONDITIONS

August 1st – August 16th, 2026

Yakima Valley reservoir, snowpack and precipitation status:

The Yakima valley has remained hot and dry for the first half of August. We have had a few days of poor air quality for wildfire smoke drifting in. These wildfires have not been local but there are many blazes on going across the northwest. Most Washington growers will be gearing up to start harvest next week, there may be a few early varieties picked by the end of this week. The crop in general appears average. The alpha crop likely has some potential to be above average but overall, it's a mixed bag. Water allocations will be enough to get through hop harvest; mite pressures are still around but there are not major issues.

REGION SWE		
	2026	2025
Upper Yakima	0%	0%
Lower Yakima	0%	0%
Central Columbia	0%	0%

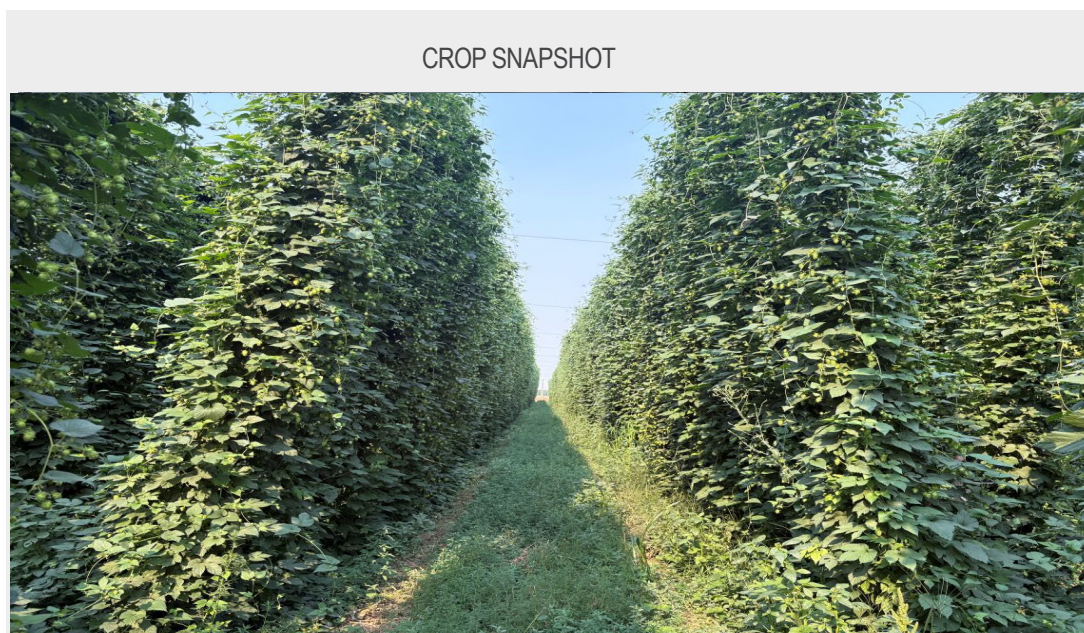
PRECIPITATION	
Rainfall (in)	0.00"
Long-term avg.	0.10"

PEST AND CROP GROWTH STATUS		
Mildew Status		
Powdery Mildew:		
LOW	MED	HIGH
Downy Mildew:		
LOW	MED	HIGH

RESERVOIR STATUS		
	2026	2025
Keechelus	24%	9%
Kachess	65%	34%
Cle Elum	20%	7%
Bumping	59%	55%
Rimrock	85%	66%

GROWING DEGREE DAYS from MAY1st	
	DAYS
Total DDs	1720
vs 2025	112%
vs 30 year avg.	108%

Crop Growth/Insect Pressure	
The Yakima Valley growers are gearing up for a slightly early harvest this year. Varieties like Contessa, Willamette, and CEN are likely to be ready by the end of this week. Mite pressures are lower than they were a couple weeks ago as most growers took action in order to clean fields before harvest.	



OREGON - HOP GROWING CONDITIONS

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Willamette Valley reservoir, snowpack and precipitation status:

Harvest in the Willamette Valley is underway. This is a typical start date for Oregon growers as they have a larger share of early maturing varieties. It is too early to make estimates based on initial yields at this time but the crop in Oregon appears to be below average. Our field staff sees lots of variation between yards and growers indicating that the crop overall will be sub optimal. This variation is not variety specific; it seems to be based on geographical location within the valley.

REGION SWE			PRECIPITATION		PEST AND CROP GROWTH STATUS		
	2026	2025			Mildew Status		
Willamette	0%	0%	Rainfall (in)	0.00"	Powdery Mildew:		
			Long-term avg.	0.20"	LOW MED HIGH		
					Downy Mildew:		
					LOW MED HIGH		
RESERVOIR STATUS			GROWING DEGREE DAYS from MAY1st		Crop Growth/Insect Pressure		
	2026	2025		DAYS	Oregon harvest has begun. The first varieties coming off were Tettanangs and Willamette's. Mite populations are still present, but we have not seen any disasters. Mildew seems to be in check.		
Willamette			Total DDs	1380			
Basin	35%	46%	vs 2025	101%			
			vs 30 yr avg	103%			

CROP SNAPSHOT



IDAHO - HOP GROWING CONDITIONS

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Treasure Valley reservoir, snowpack and precipitation status:

The crop in Idaho appears to be above average. Most varieties performed very well in what has been an average year in terms of growing degree days. There have been some local wildfires that have affected air quality in the treasure valley over the past month. This has not had any impact on cone development from what we can tell. Growers may need to take precautions during harvest should the air quality become a factor again. Harvest will start a bit later in Idaho, as is typical. The treasure valley simply has fewer early varieties compared to WA and Oregon. The Idaho crop is right where it should be, we just need to finish.

REGION SWE

	2026	2025
Payette	0%	0%
Boise	0%	0%
Weiser	0%	0%

PRECIPITATION

Rainfall (in)	0.00"
Long-term avg.	0.20"

PEST AND CROP GROWTH STATUS

Mildew Status

Powdery Mildew:

LOWMEDHIGH

Downy Mildew:

LOWMEDHIGH

Crop Growth/Insect Pressure

Harvest will likely start next week. There are pockets of mite pressure but nothing overly concerning at this time. The forecast is currently favorable with consistent temperature in the low 90's.

RESERVOIR STATUS

	2026	2025
Arrowrock	19%	45%
Anderson R.	65%	76%
Lucky Peak	90%	99%
Lake Lowell	67%	69%

GROWING DEGREE DAYS MAY

	DAYS
Total DDs	1840
vs 2025	103%
vs 30 yr avg	105%



