

## AccuWeather.com Forecast

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Mostly sunny and nice	Mostly sunny; warm in the p.m.	A shower in the afternoon	A couple of afternoon showers	Mostly sunny and pleasant
<b>PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST</b>				
80°	49°	83°	56°	80°
49°	56°	57°	74°	55°
<b>HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST</b>				
84°	46°	87°	52°	81°
46°	52°	58°	78°	54°
77°	50°			

### ALMANAC

#### PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
Yesterday 75°	43°
Normals 79°	50°
Records 94° (2013)	31° (1916)

#### PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.35"
Normal month to date	0.21"
Year to date	7.74"
Last year to date	5.66"
Normal year to date	8.63"

#### HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

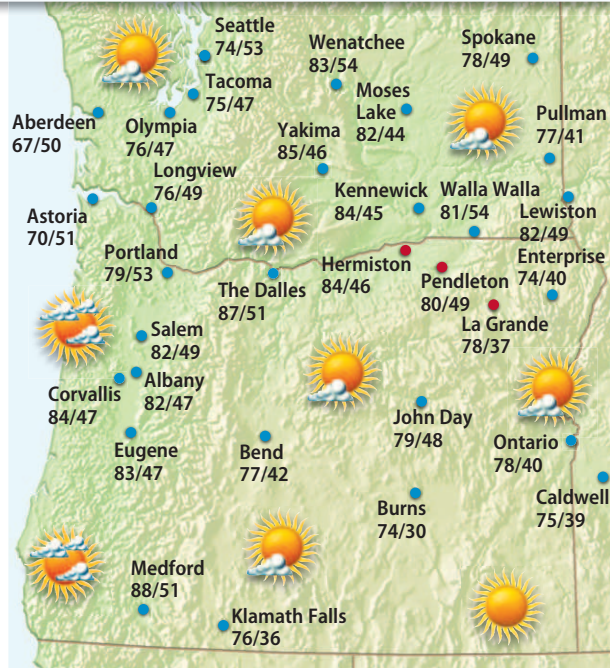
TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
Yesterday 80°	36°
Normals 80°	49°
Records 96° (1937)	30° (1970)

#### PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.41"
Normal month to date	0.17"
Year to date	5.40"
Last year to date	3.43"
Normal year to date	6.32"

#### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	6:34 a.m.
Sunset tonight	7:06 p.m.
Moonrise today	6:41 p.m.
Moonset today	5:06 a.m.
Full	Oct 8
Last	Sep 30
New	Sep 23
First	Sep 16



### REGIONAL FORECAST

**Coastal Oregon:** Areas of low clouds and fog, then sunshine today; pleasant.

**Eastern Washington:** Mostly sunny today. A moonlit sky tonight. Sunny to partly cloudy tomorrow.

**Cascades:** Mostly sunny and nice today. A moonlit sky tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow.

**Northern California:** Sun and some clouds today; pleasant.

**Western Washington:** Mostly sunny today. Areas of low clouds early; otherwise, mostly sunny at the coast.

### REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	70	51	pc	69	55	pc
Baker City	76	29	s	79	34	s
Bend	77	42	s	80	48	s
Brookings	65	49	pc	68	50	pc
Burns	74	30	s	78	34	s
Enterprise	74	40	s	77	44	s
Eugene	83	47	s	86	50	s
Heppner	79	40	s	83	44	s
Hermiston	84	46	s	87	52	s
John Day	79	48	s	83	51	s
Klamath Falls	76	36	s	80	38	s
La Grande	78	37	s	81	43	s
Meacham	75	38	s	79	42	s
Medford	88	51	s	92	52	s
Newport	62	48	pc	62	50	pc
North Bend	65	48	pc	65	50	pc
Ontario	78	40	s	81	44	s
Pasco	84	45	s	87	51	s
Pendleton	80	49	s	83	56	s
Portland	79	53	s	82	56	s
Redmond	80	37	s	84	43	s
Salem	82	49	s	86	53	s
Spokane	78	49	s	80	54	s
Ukiah	75	35	s	79	39	s
Vancouver	79	49	s	82	54	s
Walla Walla	81	54	s	84	60	s
Yakima	85	46	s	87	52	s

### WORLD CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	90	65	s	90	65	t
Hong Kong	91	82	c	90	80	pc
Jerusalem	82	65	s	80	64	s
London	85	62	s	68	53	t
Mexico City	76	54	t	74	57	t
Moscow	54	46	c	54	41	c
Paris	70	55	t	72	54	t
Rome	81	67	t	80	64	t
Seoul	84	65	pc	82	66	pc
Sydney	69	54	pc	70	53	pc
Tokyo	80	72	sh	78	73	c

### WINDS

(in mph)	Today	Friday
Boardman	SW 3-6	SW 4-8
Pendleton	W 4-8	W 4-8

### UV INDEX TODAY

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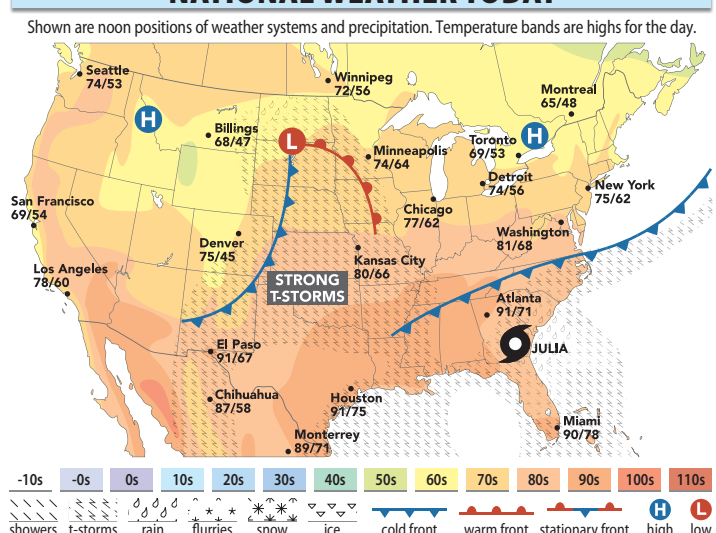
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0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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### NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



**National Summary:** Julia will continue the risk of heavy rain, flooding and beach erosion from Georgia to the Carolinas today. Pockets of heavy thunderstorms will bring the risk of flash flooding and strong winds to the Plains.

**Yesterday's National Extremes:** (for the 48 contiguous states)  
 High 101° in McAllen, Texas Low 22° in Olney, Mont.

### NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.				Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	80	57	pc	82	57	t	Louisville	87	69	s	90	73	pc
Atlanta	91	71	pc	89	71	c	Memphis	94	76	pc	95	76	pc
Atlanta City	74	63	s	75	63	s	Miami	90	78	pc	91	78	t
Baltimore	79	62	pc	79	61	pc	Milwaukee	74	63	pc	75	65	t
Billings	68	47	pc	74	51	s	Minneapolis	74	64	pc	76	58	c
Birmingham	94	73	pc	93	74	pc	Nashville	93	69	pc	93	72	pc
Boise	75	47	s	77	52	s	New Orleans	90	79	t	89	79	t
Boston	68	56	s	72	57	s	New York City	75	62	s	76	62	s
Charleston, SC	83	73	t	85	73	t	Oklahoma City	88	68	t	84	68	t
Charleston, WV	87	65	s	89	67	pc	Omaha	78	65	t	77	55	c
Chicago	77	62	pc	78	66	t	Philadelphia	78	61	s	80	62	s
Cleveland	76	56	s	82	68	pc	Phoenix	98	70	s	99	71	s
Dallas	92	75	t	93	74	pc	Portland, ME	69	49	s	72	53	s
Denver	75	45	pc	73	48	pc	Providence	73	52	s	74	52	s
Detroit	74	56	s	76	66	pc	Raleigh	89	68	pc	85	68	c
El Paso	91	67	pc	91	67	pc	Rapid City	71	47	pc	73	44	pc
Fairbanks	55	37	sh	56	31	c	Reno	79	55	s	80	46	s
Fargo	72	58	t	69	56	r	Sacramento	88	43	s	81	46	s
Honolulu	86	76	sh	87	77	c	St. Louis	85	71	t	82	70	t
Houston	91	75	t	90	75	t	Salt Lake City	72	49	pc	74	51	s
Indianapolis	80	63	s	84	69	pc	San Diego	73	63	pc	71	62	pc
Jacksonville	89	72	t	89	72	t	San Francisco	69	54	pc	71	55	s
Kansas City	80	66	t	81	63	t	Seattle	74	53	s	76	57	s
Las Vegas	91	68	s	93	69	s	Tucson	94	64	s	94	64	s
Little Rock	93	74	t	92	74	t	Washington, DC	81	68	pc	82	67	pc
Los Angeles	78	60	pc	78	60	pc	Wichita	85	67	t	82	66	t

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

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## Harney County Sheriff says occupiers warned of armed invasion

PORTLAND (AP) — The occupiers who took over a national wildlife refuge warned an Oregon sheriff that his county would be "invaded" by armed citizens if he didn't protect his constituents from the federal government, the law officer testified Wednesday.

Harney County Sheriff Dave Ward said that before the 41-day standoff, group leader Ammon Bundy and another man urged him to protect two local ranchers who faced additional prison time for setting fires on federal lands. That protest grew into demands for the U.S. govern-

ment to turn public range over to local control.

Bundy and six others are on trial in the occupation of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge earlier this year. All are charged with conspiring to prevent federal employees from doing their jobs at the remote bird sanctuary. Five of them are also charged with possession of a firearm in a federal facility.

Ward said Bundy and defendant Ryan Payne, who pleaded guilty in July, visited him on Nov. 5, nearly two months before occupiers seized the refuge.

The sheriff testified that

Bundy was polite and "an easy guy to have a conversation with," but the pair warned of civil unrest unless he told the federal government that the ranchers would not go back to prison.

"I was told my responsibility was to prevent them from going to prison, and if I didn't do those things, they would bring hundreds of people to town to do my job for me," Ward said.

The father-and-son ranchers, Dwight and Steven Hammond, distanced themselves from the occupiers and reported to prison two days after the standoff began Jan. 2.

Ward said the sheriff's office soon was flooded with phone calls and emails from supporters.

An email from defendant Neil Wampler said the sheriff needed to protect residents from an abusive government or "see your county invaded by the most determined and organized — and armed — citizens alive in this country."

A second message from Wampler warned: "We ain't playin'!"

The sheriff said he's no cheerleader for the federal government, but he examined the Hammond case and determined that he had no right to

defy the U.S. court system.

The defendants say the takeover was a legitimate protest of federal land management. Bundy's attorney, Marcus Mumford, noted that the occupiers never aimed a gun at anyone.

Ward said it was "absolutely not a peaceful occupation," describing gunmen clearing rooms using military-style tactics.

Prosecutors and defense attorneys asked the sheriff about a cordial meeting he had with Bundy a few days into the occupation. In a clip of the meeting, Ward offered Bundy safe passage out of

Oregon and praised him for getting out his message about government overreach.

"I didn't go there to pick a fight," Ward said. "I wanted them to go home."

Ward said he arranged the visit after determining at a town hall meeting that most residents wanted the occupiers to leave.

Under cross examination from Ryan Bundy, who is acting as his own attorney, the sheriff acknowledged that the occupation received greater favorability as the weeks went on.

"To a degree, yes," Ward said.

## Judge invalidates Public Forest Commission

By SEAN HART  
 EO Media Group

Grant County voters will not see Public Forest Commission candidates on the November ballot after a judge nullified the measure that created it.

Grant County Circuit Court Judge William D. Cramer Jr. ruled Wednesday that the measure creating the commission that was approved by county voters in 2002 "conflicts with paramount law in both the State of Oregon and federally" in a brief opinion letter to the county, which defended the measure, and Mark Webb, who challenged it.

Cramer stated the measure was improper and granted a summary judgment nullifying it. He said he intends to prepare a more detailed opinion explaining the decision but offered the abbreviated opinion to advise Grant County Clerk Brenda Percy, who is preparing the ballots for the upcoming election.

Measure 12-39, which was adopted by a majority of county voters through the initiative process, established

a seven-person commission "with the responsibility of managing all public lands and natural resources within Grant County." The measure authorized the commission to divide public land into ranger districts and to purchase, sell and trade public land with voter approval.

Webb argued in his petition for judicial review that the measure conflicted with state law by authorizing the commission to manage land currently managed by state agencies, such as the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. He argued it conflicted with federal law by authorizing the commission to manage Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service land.

## Forecast: U.S. slowdown would drag Oregon down

By PARIS ACHEN  
 Capital Bureau

SALEM — Oregon's economy remains "healthy across the board," outperforming other states in job growth and other indicators, state economists told lawmakers in Salem Wednesday.

But the economists also warned that a slowdown in the U.S. economy would likely drag down the state's economic boom.

"Given that Oregon has traditionally very much synchronized with the U.S. business cycle and our revenues are very much tied to personal income, this is something we are watching very closely," said state economist Mark McMullen.

Lawmakers heard the forecast Wednesday at a

joint meeting of the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue and the House Revenue Committee.

The state's quarterly economic forecast showed employers in the state continue to add nearly 5,000 jobs per month, double the rate of U.S. jobs growth, McMullen said.

"It is really unsustainable right now how fast we're growing," said state economist Mark McMullen. "We're adding about twice as many jobs as we are workers so at some point this has to balance out."

The brisk job growth has created a tight labor market, which is driving up wages, said state economist Josh Lehner. Retiring baby boomers are expected to make that labor market even tighter,

Lehner said.

But the national economic picture is not as bright, McMullen said.

U.S. personal income growth is slowing from 6 percent at the beginning of 2015 to half of that now, he said.

Weakness in manufacturing has spread beyond energy production to more industries, and investment spending continues to stay flat. Other states are starting to see their sales and income tax revenues stagger at amounts below economist's projections, McMullen said.

General fund revenue is on track to reach \$18.334 billion, down \$2.2 million from the June forecast of \$18.336.5 billion, according to the revenue forecast.

The economic and revenue forecasts didn't address what the state's revenue would look like if Measure 97 passes in November. The corporate sales tax measure would add an estimate \$3 billion more per year to state coffers. If the tax measure passes, the Office of Economic Analysis will adjust state revenue numbers for the December forecast.