

## AccuWeather.com Forecast

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Mostly cloudy	Cloudy, showers around; cooler	A passing morning shower or two	Cloudy with a shower in places	Cloudy, a shower in the p.m.
<b>PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST</b>				
68°	49°	56°	43°	55°
<b>HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST</b>				
67°	51°	57°	44°	58°
51°	44°	58°	46°	57°
39°	41°	42°		

### ALMANAC

#### PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	63°	47°
Normals	60°	37°
Records	86° (1924)	25° (1919)

PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.12"
Month to date	1.23"
Normal month to date	0.83"
Year to date	9.65"
Last year to date	6.02"
Normal year to date	9.81"

#### HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	65°	43°
Normals	61°	37°
Records	80° (1959)	20° (2002)

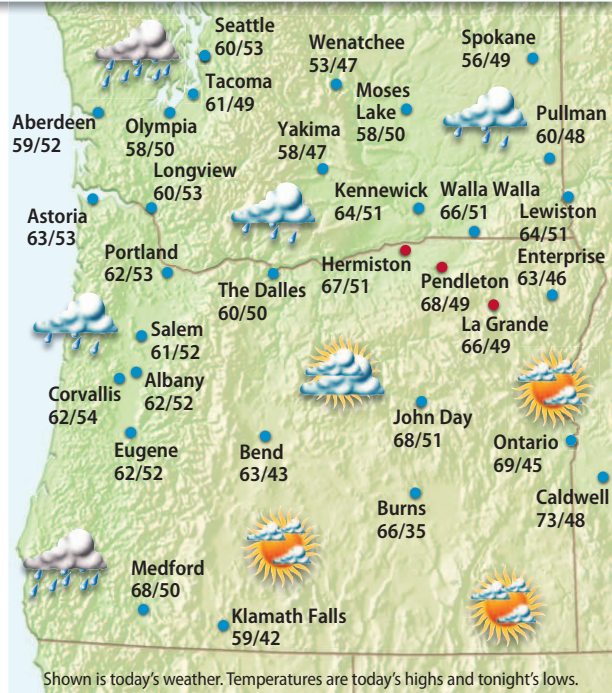
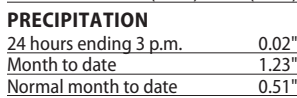
PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.02"
Month to date	1.23"
Normal month to date	0.51"
Year to date	6.67"
Last year to date	3.73"
Normal year to date	7.10"

#### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	7:27 a.m.
Sunset tonight	5:50 p.m.
Moonrise today	3:19 a.m.
Moonset today	4:22 p.m.

#### MOON PHASES



### REGIONAL FORECAST

**Coastal Oregon:** Breezy today with periods of rain. Periods of rain tonight. Periods of rain tomorrow.

**Eastern and Central Oregon:** Mostly cloudy today and tonight. Periods of rain tomorrow; cooler.

**Western Washington:** Rain today and tonight. A shower tomorrow, but periods of rain at the coast.

**Eastern Washington:** Periods of rain today; only in the morning across the south.

**Cascades:** Cloudy today with a shower in places. Rain in central parts tonight.

**Northern California:** A little rain at the coast today; warmer in the interior mountains. Morning clouds, then clouds and sun in central parts.

### REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	63	53	r	63	49	sh
Baker City	62	41	c	59	40	sh
Bend	63	43	c	51	39	r
Brookings	60	54	r	59	50	r
Burns	66	35	pc	58	38	sh
Enterprise	63	46	sh	57	43	sh
Eugene	62	52	r	59	47	sh
Heppner	67	47	c	54	41	sh
Hermiston	67	51	r	57	44	sh
John Day	68	51	c	55	47	sh
Klamath Falls	59	42	pc	55	38	r
La Grande	66	49	c	59	45	sh
Meacham	64	48	c	54	43	sh
Medford	68	50	c	59	48	r
Newport	61	53	r	58	49	sh
North Bend	65	56	r	62	49	sh
Ontario	69	45	pc	64	48	sh
Pasco	62	50	r	58	45	sh
Pendleton	68	49	c	56	43	sh
Portland	62	53	r	59	49	sh
Redmond	67	44	c	55	40	r
Salem	61	52	r	59	46	sh
Spokane	56	49	r	53	43	c
Ukiah	66	44	c	52	40	sh
Vancouver	62	53	r	60	48	sh
Walla Walla	66	51	r	57	46	sh
Yakima	58	47	r	59	43	r

### WORLD CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	59	43	pc	51	40	r
Hong Kong	86	80	pc	87	78	s
Jerusalem	77	59	s	77	64	s
London	62	45	pc	62	48	pc
Mexico City	73	48	pc	68	48	pc
Moscow	33	29	c	33	27	pc
Paris	59	42	pc	58	42	pc
Rome	75	58	t	73	50	s
Seoul	65	44	pc	69	54	pc
Sydney	82	62	pc	71	61	pc
Tokyo	75	63	pc	69	58	pc

### WINDS

	Today	Thursday
(in mph)		
Boardman	N 4-8	SW 4-8
Pendleton	SSW 6-12	SW 4-8

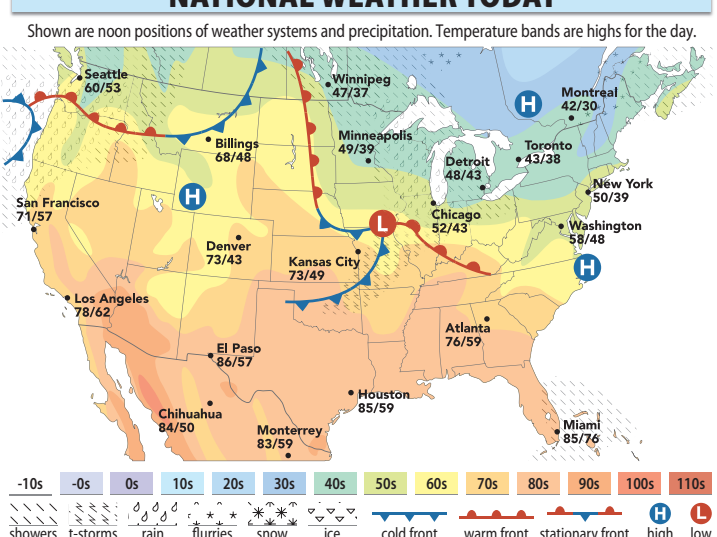
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### NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



**National Summary:** Chilly air will dominate the Northeast, while heavy rain is in store for the Upper Midwest today. Thunderstorms will erupt over the middle Mississippi Valley as more rain drenches the Pacific Northwest.

**Yesterday's National Extremes:** (for the 48 contiguous states)  
 High 92° in Phoenix, Ariz. Low 18° in Embarras, Minn.

### NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thur.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	77	51	s	78	53	s
Atlanta	76	59	pc	79	60	pc
Atlanta City	54	40	s	61	50	r
Baltimore	56	42	s	59	46	r
Billings	68	48	pc	71	51	pc
Birmingham	83	62	pc	82	58	pc
Boise	74	51	pc	70	51	c
Boston	49	36	pc	47	44	r
Charleston, SC	78	57	s	82	61	pc
Charleston, WV	68	51	pc	69	43	sh
Chicago	52	43	r	54	42	pc
Cleveland	51	45	r	58	42	c
Dallas	86	66	pc	87	65	s
Denver	73	43	s	81	50	pc
Detroit	48	43	r	49	37	c
El Paso	86	57	s	86	58	s
Fairbanks	21	4	s	22	1	s
Fargo	52	37	c	59	46	pc
Honolulu	85	74	pc	85	74	pc
Houston	85	59	pc	85	63	s
Indianapolis	64	50	c	57	42	pc
Jacksonville	81	63	pc	81	60	pc
Kansas City	73	49	t	71	57	s
Las Vegas	81	64	s	82	66	pc
Little Rock	79	57	pc	79	58	s
Los Angeles	78	62	pc	78	64	pc
Louisville	77	59	pc	69	47	pc
Memphis	83	59	pc	82	59	s
Miami	85	76	sh	85	76	sh
Milwaukee	52	43	r	52	43	c
Minneapolis	49	39	r	56	47	c
Nashville	82	61	pc	80	51	pc
New Orleans	85	69	pc	86	68	pc
New York City	50	39	s	52	46	r
Oklahoma City	81	61	pc	82	61	s
Omaha	66	43	pc	72	56	s
Philadelphia	53	41	s	58	48	r
Phoenix	95	70	s	99	73	pc
Portland, ME	49	31	pc	46	41	r
Providence	50	32	pc	50	42	r
Raleigh	66	47	s	72	57	c
Rapid City	71	40	s	77	50	pc
Reno	72	46	pc	66	49	c
Sacramento	75	53	pc	63	49	c
St. Louis	71	51	t	66	52	r
Salt Lake City	73	50	t	77	57	pc
San Diego	74	63	pc	76	66	pc
San Francisco	71	57	pc	63	56	r
Seattle	60	53	r	59	48	c
Tucson	94	65	s	98	67	s
Washington, DC	58	48	s	64	51	r
Wichita	80	50	pc	79	58	s

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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## Standoff juror questions impartiality of fellow juror

PORTLAND (AP) — Federal prosecutors' case against the armed occupiers of an Oregon wildlife refuge hit a bump Tuesday when a juror raised questions about the impartiality of another person on the panel.

Jurors sent two handwritten notes to the judge that indicated they were having difficulty reaching a consensus after three days of deliberations.

In one note, a member of the panel said a fellow juror mentioned that he was "very biased." The writer asked the judge whether that juror, a former employee of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, can be considered impartial.

The federal agency manages the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in southeastern Oregon that a group led by Ammon Bundy took over for 41 days this winter. During questioning last month ahead of the trial, the juror said he worked for the agency more than 20 years ago as a range tech and firefighter.

U.S. District Judge Anna Brown and representatives from the prosecution and defense met in chambers with the juror

whose impartiality has been questioned. Brown didn't find that the juror was biased and sent the panel home for the day. But she gave defense attorneys until Wednesday morning to find case law that supports additional questioning of the juror.

The jury is considering charges against Bundy, his brother Ryan and five others of conspiring to impede federal workers from doing their jobs at the refuge. They took over the bird sanctuary Jan. 2, objecting to federal land policy and demanding the U.S. government turn over control of public range to local officials.

In the second note sent by jurors, they asked the judge: "If we are able to agree on a verdict for three of the defendants, but are at a standoff for the others, does our decision for the three stand?" The note does not identify the three.

Ammon Bundy's attorney, Marcus Mumford, argued that the first note could be fatal to the government's case.

"If we do not get to the bottom of this situation ... I think we are inviting a mistrial down the road," he said.

## NORTHWEST BRIEFLY

### Ex-police sergeant gets life in prison for wife's killing

OREGON CITY (AP) — A former suburban Portland police sergeant has been sentenced to life in prison for his wife's murder.

Lynn Benton was convicted last week of hiring his longtime friend and her son to kill Debbie Higbee Benton at her Gladstone beauty salon in May 2011.

The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that Benton waived his right to a sentencing phase Tuesday and agreed to accept a true life sentence. The sentence keeps the 54-year-old Benton off death row.

The former Gladstone police sergeant spent most of his law enforcement career as a woman. He transitioned to male in 2010 before he wed Higbee Benton. The gender reassignment caused a rift between the couple and Benton moved out of their home a month before his wife's death.

### Deschutes DA says judge's gag order violates free speech

SALEM (AP) — A district attorney in Oregon is objecting to a judge's gag order on a murder case, saying it violates freedom of speech and infringes on both his ability to consult with the victim's family members on potential plea bargaining and on his rights to communicate with the citizens he was elected to represent.

Deschutes County District Attorney John Hummel pushed back against a judge's order in a motion filed Monday.

The judge has ordered all parties in the case from making any extrajudicial statements about it that could reach the public. Edward Lara, of Redmond, is charged with murdering 23-year-old Kaylee Sawyer, of Bend.

Lara was a security guard at Central Oregon Community College in Bend. His trial is scheduled for October 2017.

### Idaho, Eastern Oregon produce more, larger onions in 2016

SALEM (AP) — Producers in the Idaho-Eastern Oregon area saw onion yields that are larger in both quantity and size this year.

The Capital Press reports that despite the bigger yields in 2016, prices dropped, meaning producers saw about break-even earnings. The Idaho-Eastern Oregon growing region has about 300 growers who produce roughly 25 percent of the United States' Spanish bulb onions.

Snake River Produce Manager Kay Riley says the larger-than-normal crop led to depressed prices, a situation made worse by a strong U.S. dollar and weak export market. Bulb onion prices are about 50 percent of what they were this time last year and nearing the break-even price for farmers.

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