



Crop Progress and Condition



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ALASKA: There were **3.0 days suitable for fieldwork** last week. Temperatures for the first two weeks of August were above normal for the Tanana Valley, near normal for Southcentral but were below normal for the Kenai and Kodiak. Precipitation so far for the month was below normal for Kodiak and Kenai, near normal for Delta Junction and above normal for Southcentral and Fairbanks. **Wind and rain damage to crops** was reported as 98% none, 2% light.

TANANA VALLEY: An average of **2.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. **Wind and rain damage to crops** was reported as 100% none. **Farm activities** for the week included preparing for grain harvest, fence line maintenance and construction, CRP maintenance mowing, general farm maintenance. Cool temperatures and sporadic drizzling slowed field work.

MATANUSKA VALLEY: An average of **3.5 days was suitable for fieldwork**. **Wind and rain damage to crops** was reported as 95% none, 5% light. **Farm activities** for the week included harvesting vegetables, weed control, field preparation, farm maintenance, preparing for harvest. Second cutting of hay was underway but was slowed by rain.

Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	5	95	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	5	95	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	5	95	0
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	30	70	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	40	60	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	20	80	0

Soil Temperatures (F⁰) at 4 inch depth

	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	High	Low	
Sawmill Creek	54	54	54	na	na	na	69	36	0.32
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	57	60	62	56	59	62	65	43	1.42

Pan evaporation ^{1/} UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm: 0.36

na – not available.

Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley turning color.....	95	80	74	90
Oats turning color.....	90	20	5	54
Hay harvested, 2 nd cutting.....	5	<5	17	13

Crop Condition -- Alaska

	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Barley.....	0	0	15	60	25
Oats.....	0	0	0	75	25
Potatoes.....	0	0	0	55	45
Hay.....	0	0	15	70	15

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