



Crop Progress and Condition



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ALASKA: There were **5.0 days suitable for fieldwork** last week. Temperatures so far for September were above normal for most of the major growing areas in the state. Precipitation during September was below normal for Kenai and parts of the Tanana Valley, but above normal for the Matsu Valley and Kodiak. **Wind and rain damage to crops** was reported as 95% none, 5% light. **Range and pasture condition** were reported as 15% fair, 75% good, 10% excellent. **Local hay supplies** were reported as 5% short, 95% adequate.

TANANA VALLEY: An average of **5.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. **Wind and rain damage to crops** was reported as 100% none. **Range and pasture condition** were reported as 5% poor, 25% fair, 60% good, 10% excellent. **Farm activities** for the week included harvesting barley, field peas, wheat and second cutting hay. Very little straw has been baled. Fieldwork was slowed by intermittent rains.

MATANUSKA VALLEY: An average of **5.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. **Wind and rain damage to crops** was reported as 90% none, 10% light. **Range and pasture condition** were reported as 10% fair, 80% good, 10% excellent. **Farm activities** for the week included harvesting vegetables, cutting/baling second cutting hay, farm maintenance, preparing for grain and potato harvest.

Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	0	100	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	95	5
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	0	100	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	100	0

Soil Temperatures (F^o) at 4 inch depth

	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	High	Low	
Sawmill Creek	48	46	50	na	na	na	64	26	0.21
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	55	54	57	55	53	55	62	39	0.85

Pan evaporation ^{1/} UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm: 0.49

na – not available

Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5 year average (percent)
Barley harvested.....	60	20	9	60
Oats ripe.....	90	80	54	74
Potatoes harvested.....	15	10	14	38
Hay harvested, 2 nd cutting.....	50	25	74	63

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