



Crop Progress and Condition



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ALASKA: There were **6.2 days suitable for fieldwork** last week and drier conditions over the week improved field access in many areas. There were still reports of fields being too wet or snow covered which hampered fieldwork for those areas. Temperatures for the week were above normal in Palmer and Delta Junction and close to average in Kodiak and Kenai. **Progress of fieldwork** was reported as more than five days late in most of the state and as many as nine days late in some areas. **Local hay supplies** were reported at 65% short and 35% adequate. **Condition of livestock** was reported as 35% fair, 55% good, and 10% excellent. **Range and pasture condition** was reported as 15% poor, 55% fair and 30% good.

TANANA VALLEY: An average of **7.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. **Progress of fieldwork** was reported more than a week behind normal but field conditions were mostly improving with only a few areas still too wet for work. **Local hay supplies** were reported as 40% short and 60% adequate. **Condition of livestock** was reported as 25% fair, 50% good and 25% excellent. **Range and pasture condition** was reported as 10% poor, 70% fair and 20% good. **Farm activities** for the week were planting and fertilizing pasture.

MATANUSKA VALLEY: An average of **5.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. **Progress of fieldwork** was reported as a week behind normal. **Local hay supplies** were reported as 100% short. **Condition of livestock** was reported as 50% fair and 50% good. **Range and pasture condition** was reported as 50% fair and 50% good. **Farm activities** for the week included planting small grains, managing livestock, fertilizing, and irrigation activities. Hay fields and pastures continued to green up.

KENAI: An average of **6.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. Last year's standing dead vegetation presented a fire danger but pasture was starting to green up. **Progress of fieldwork** was reported as five days behind normal. **Local hay supplies** were reported as 100% adequate. **Condition of livestock** was reported as 100% good. **Range and pasture condition** was reported as 75% poor and 25% fair. **Farm activities** for the week included planting grains and fertilizing pasture.

Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	15	80	5
Tanana Valley.....	0	25	70	5
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Kenai Valley.....	0	20	80	0
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	0	>95%	<5%
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Kenai.....	0	0	90	10

Soil Temperatures (F^o) at 4 inch depth

	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2023	2021	2020	2023	2021	2020	High	Low	
Sawmill Creek	37	35	36	NA	NA	NA	79	29	0.36
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	32	33	32	32	22	35	64	30	0.04

Pan evaporation ^{1/} UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm: 01.30

NA – Not Available.

Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	2021	5 year Average 1/
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley planted.....	25	2	47	59
Oats planted.....	13	1	23	53
Potatoes planted.....	<5%	0	36	33

^{1/} excludes 2022



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