



Crop Progress and Condition



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ALASKA: There were 3.5 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending August 11. Significant rain fell in portions of the **Matanuska Valley** last week. Localized flooding was reported. Parts of the **Tanana Valley** remained dry. Rangeland and some hay acres east of Delta Junction were dry which significantly slowed growth. Areas close to and northwest of Delta Junction received good moisture, but wet fields slowed fieldwork. Activities in the Tanana Valley included continued grass seed harvest and grass seed straw baling, harvesting forage oats, preparing for grain harvest, and general farm maintenance

Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	35	40	25
Tanana Valley.....	0	60	30	10
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	50	50
Kenai.....	0	0	75	25
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	20	65	15
Tanana Valley.....	0	40	50	10
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	75	25
Kenai.....	0	0	100	0

Soil Temperatures (F^o) at 4-inch depth and weekly conditions

	August 11						Week ending August 11		
	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2024	2023	2021	2024	2023	2021	High	Low	
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	59	61	57	58	60	60	76	46	1.94
Pan evaporation ^{1/} UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm: 0.56									

Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	2023	5-year Average 1/
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Oat Turning Color.....	>95	35	70	46
Oat ripe.....	7	<5	<5	<5
Barley Turning Color.....	>95	72	74	77
Barley ripe.....	5	<5	21	9

^{1/} Excludes 2022

Crop Condition -- Alaska

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley.....	0	0	10	60	30
Oats.....	0	0	0	60	40
Potato.....	0	0	5	85	10
Hay.....	0	0	15	75	10

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