



# Crop Progress and Condition



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**ALASKA:** There were 3.0 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending September 15. Wet weather was present in the **Matanuska Valley** last week. Rain slowed field work for much of the week. Producers struggled to cut hay or dry any downed hay. Growers in the **Tanana Valley** faced intermittent rain. Some producers were able to take advantage of breaks in the rain to harvest. Progress was made on the second cutting of hay and what was baled being put up as high moisture. Very little straw had been baled due to the rain and lack of sunshine. Other activities in the Tanana Valley included brush mowing, fence construction and maintenance, and general preparations for winter.

### Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	0	40	60
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	25	75
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	50	50
Subsoil Moisture – State .....	0	5	50	45
Tanana Valley.....	0	10	40	50
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	50	50

### Soil Temperatures (F<sup>o</sup>) at 4-inch depth and weekly conditions

	September 15						Week ending September 15		
	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2024	2023	2021	2024	2023	2021	High	Low	
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	55	53	53	53	52	52	57	46	1.21

Pan evaporation UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm: 0.09

### Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	2023	5-year Average 1/
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Oat harvested.....	<5	<5	70	29
Barley harvested.....	81	45	83	66
Second cutting of hay.....	72	56	62	63

1/ Excludes 2022 NA-Not available

### Crop Condition -- Alaska

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Oats.....	0	0	0	55	45

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