

## **Crop Progress and Condition**



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**ALASKA:** There were **5.4 days suitable for fieldwork** last week. Cool and wet weather moved into most of Alaska's growing regions at the end of the week. The rain was beneficial to the dry Tanana Valley but unwelcome in the Kenai where unseasonable cold and wet conditions have hampered progress for much of the year.

**TANANA VALLEY:** An average of **6.0 days was suitable for fieldwork.** Much needed rain fell late in the week which rejuvenated drought-stressed crops. Fertilizers were applied to hay fields in anticipation of rain. **Crop rate of growth** was 60% moderate and 40% rapid. **Farm activities** for the week included irrigation, harvesting hay, preparing for grain and grass seed harvests, and general farm maintenance.

**MATANUSKA VALLEY:** An average of **5.0 days was suitable for fieldwork. Crop rate of growth** was 50% slow and 50% moderate. The first hay cutting made progress but was slowed by rain late in the week. **Farm activities** for the week included harvesting hay, weed control, and farm maintenance.

**KENAI:** An average of **3.0** days was suitable for fieldwork. Crop rate of growth was 50% slow and 50% moderate. Light or moderate wind damage was reported in 30 percent of crops.

## Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State	0	0	90	10
Tanana Valley	0	0	100	0
Matanuska Valley	0	0	90	10
Kenai	0	0	10	90
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	15	80	5
Tanana Valley	0	25	75	0
Matanuska Valley	0	0	100	0
Kenai	0	0	10	90

Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed					
	This week	Last week	2021	5 year Average 1/		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Grass hay harvest	75	50	89	80		
Barley in-boot	80	70	100	100		
Oats in-boot	90	70	93	97		

<sup>1/</sup> excludes 2022

**Crop Condition -- Alaska** 

or option - Alaska								
	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)			
Barley	0	10	20	60	10			
Oats	0	10	20	60	10			
Potatoes	0	0	5	85	10			
Hay	0	0	20	80	0			



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