



Crop Progress and Condition



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ALASKA: There were **3.1 days suitable for fieldwork** last week. Wet weather dominated the state's growing regions again for most of the week. Topsoil and subsoil moisture increased significantly during the week. Temperatures in Fairbanks were slightly above normal for the month and slightly below normal in Delta Junction. Temperatures in Palmer were below normal and rain was recorded almost every day last week. Both Homer and Kenai had averages weekly temperatures slightly below normal.

TANANA VALLEY: An average of **4.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. Some mild wind damage was reported. Several fields of second cutting hay were baled. Small grain harvests were nearing completion. Local gardens were still producing as there has not been a hard frost in the region. **Farm activities** for the week included harvesting potatoes, baling straw and fall tillage.

MATANUSKA VALLEY: An average of **2.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. Several potato fields were harvested. **Farm activities** for the week included field preparation and farm maintenance.

Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	0	45	55
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	70	30
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	0	100
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	0	70	30
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	15	85

Soil Temperatures (F⁰) at 4 inch depth

	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2023	2021	2020	2023	2021	2020	High	Low	
Sawmill Creek	39	44	45	NA	NA	NA	60	28	0.49
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	53	53	51	52	52	41	57	38	0.81

Pan evaporation ^{1/} UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm: 0.28

NA – not available.

Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	2021	5 year Average ^{1/}
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley harvest.....	90	65	87	77
Oat harvest.....	80	45	43	33
Potato harvest	55	20	47	55

^{1/} excludes 2022

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