

Crop Progress and Condition



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ALASKA: There were 4.0 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending July 28. Rain slowed fieldwork in the **Matanuska Valley** with only two days suitable for field work. Some progress was made cutting hay. Activities also included preparing for second cutting and general farm maintenance. Statewide, the first cutting of hay was mostly complete, and many producers prepared for grain harvest.

	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State	0	15	85	0
Matanuska Valley	0	0	100	0
Kenai	0	0	100	0
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	5	95	0
Matanuska Valley	0	0	100	0
Kenai	0	0	100	0

Soil Temperatures (F 0) at 4-inch depth and weekly conditions

	July 28				Week ending July 28				
	Grass		Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation	
	2024	2023	2021	2024	2023	2021	High	Low	(inches)
Sawmill Creek	59	65	57	NA	NA	NA	84	43	0.27
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm	59	60	60	58	61	60	75	44	0.55
Pan evaporation ^{1/} UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm: 0.67									

NA – Not Available

Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed					
	This week	Last week	2023	5-year Average 1/		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Hay First Cutting	>95	87	98	94		
Oats Dough	86	26	67	43		
Oat Turning Color	22	NA	<5	<5		
Barley Dough	87	65	63	68		
Barley Turning Color	35	5	9	22		

^{1/} Excludes 2022

Crop Condition -- Alaska

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	0	0	5	60	35
Oats	0	0	40	60	0
Potato	0	0	5	85	10
Hay	0	0	5	75	20

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