



# Crop Progress and Condition



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**ALASKA:** There were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending August 4. Rain continued to slow fieldwork in the **Matanuska Valley**. Several producers made their second cutting of hay last week. Many potato fields bloomed. The grass seed harvest continued in the **Tanana Valley** along with baling grass straw. Other activities in the Tanana Valley included CRP brush management, preparing for grain harvest, and general farm maintenance.

### Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	20	80	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	40	60	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Kenai.....	0	0	100	0
Subsoil Moisture – State .....	0	10	90	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	15	85	0
Matanuska Valley.....	0	0	100	0
Kenai.....	0	0	100	0

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

	August 4						August 4		
	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2024	2023	2021	2024	2023	2021	High	Low	
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	58	61	59	56	61	61	69	44	0.91
Pan evaporation <sup>1/</sup> UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm: 0.67									

### Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	2023	5-year Average 1/
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Oats Dough.....	>95	86	81	72
Oat Turning Color.....	35	22	29	14
Oat ripe.....	<5	NA	<5	<5
Barley Dough.....	>95	87	89	92
Barley Turning Color.....	72	35	50	46
Barley ripe.....	<5	NA	7	<5

<sup>1/</sup> 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	0	60	40
Potato.....	0	0	5	85	10
Hay.....	0	0	10	70	20

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