

Crop Progress and Condition



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ALASKA: There were **6.0** days suitable for fieldwork last week. Temperatures so far in July were near normal for most of the major growing areas after a week of warmer than normal temperatures. Precipitation so far for the month was below normal for most of the major growing areas except for Palmer which was near normal. **Rate of crop growth** was 70% moderate, 30% rapid. **Wind and rain damage to crops** was reported as 100% none.

TANANA VALLEY: An average of **5.0 days was suitable for fieldwork. Rate of crop growth** was 50% moderate, 50% rapid. **Wind and rain damage to crops** was reported as 100% none. **Farm activities** for the week included harvesting hay, spraying or tillage of summer fallow, CRP maintenance, fertilizing for second cutting hay, fence maintenance, combining grass seed.

MATANUSKA VALLEY: An average of 6.5 days was suitable for fieldwork. Rate of crop growth was 90% moderate, 10% rapid. Wind and rain damage to crops was reported as 95% none, 5% light. Farm activities for the week included harvesting hay, weed control, fertilizing hay for second cutting, irrigation, farm maintenance. Peony harvest continues.

Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State	0	15	85	0
Tanana Valley	0	10	90	0
Matanuska Valley	0	25	75	0
Subsoil Moisture – State	0	20	80	0
Tanana Valley	0	30	70	0
Matanuska Valley	0	10	90	0

Soil Temperatures (F º) at 4 inch depth

Grass		Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation	
2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	High	Low	(inches)
57	56	58	na	na	na	79	35	0.44
57	61	61	58	61	60	80	46	0.17
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Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed					
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Barley in dough	10	<5	0	23		
Oats headed	100	45	53	75		
Grass hay harvested	90	85	77	80		

Crop Condition -- Alaska

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	0	0	10	70	20
Oats	0	0	0	75	25
Potatoes	0	0	0	70	30
Hay	0	0	20	75	5

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