



# Crop Progress and Condition



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**ALASKA:** There were **6.0 days suitable for fieldwork** last week. Temperatures last week were mostly below normal for the Tanana Valley but above normal for Kenai and Southcentral. Precipitation last week was light in most of the major growing areas. **Rate of crop growth** was reported 50% moderate, 50% rapid. **Wind or rain damage to crops** was reported as 95% none, 5% light.

**TANANA VALLEY:** An average of **6.0 days was suitable for fieldwork**. **Rate of crop growth** was reported 50% moderate, 50% rapid. **Farm activities** for the week included harvesting hay, weed spraying in grain crops, summer fallow tillage, fence construction and maintenance. Much of the hay crop around Delta Junction so far has been baled high moisture and wrapped. Lodging due to abundant moisture is also being reported in hay fields. Peony harvest is underway.

**MATANUSKA VALLEY:** An average of **6.5 days was suitable for fieldwork**. **Rate of crop growth** was reported 40% moderate, 60% rapid. **Farm activities** for the week included cutting and baling hay, weed control, harvesting vegetables, sod and peonies, farm and fence maintenance.

### Soil Moisture -- Alaska

	Very short (percent)	Short (percent)	Adequate (percent)	Surplus (percent)
Topsoil Moisture – State.....	0	15	85	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	99	1
Matanuska Valley.....	0	30	70	0
Subsoil Moisture – State .....	0	10	90	0
Tanana Valley.....	0	0	99	1
Matanuska Valley.....	0	30	70	0

### Soil Temperatures (F °) at 4 inch depth

	Grass			Fallow			Air Temperature		Precipitation (inches)
	2020	2019	2018	2020	2019	2018	High	Low	
Sawmill Creek .....	53	55	55	na	na	na	75	34	0.26
UAF - Matanuska Experiment Farm.....	56	61	na	57	63	na	81	44	0.15

Pan evaporation UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm : 1.14

na – not available.6

### Crop Progress -- Alaska

	Percent completed			
	This week (percent)	Last week (percent)	Last year (percent)	5 year average (percent)
Barley headed.....	5	0	39	36
Oats in-boot .....	60	20	56	44
Grass hay harvested .....	50	15	71	51

na – not available

### Crop Condition -- Alaska

	Very poor (percent)	Poor (percent)	Fair (percent)	Good (percent)	Excellent (percent)
Barley.....	0	0	10	50	40
Oats.....	0	0	15	60	25
Potatoes .....	0	0	15	65	20
Hay.....	0	0	15	55	30

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