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## MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 25,218; Week ago 20,180; Year ago 23,584  
 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
367 lbs.	137.09	367 lbs.	126.85	371 lbs.	103.38
460 lbs.	129.40	455 lbs.	119.73	443 lbs.	100.91
551 lbs.	119.92	548 lbs.	112.52	540 lbs.	92.36
635 lbs.	113.50	637 lbs.	106.29	654 lbs.	86.73
752 lbs.	106.41	737 lbs.	100.56	715 lbs.	85.42
856 lbs.	103.50	830 lbs.	93.65	846 lbs.	81.69
918 lbs.	100.11				

## SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts 5500; Week ago 6030; Year ago 3730

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 2.00 higher, with some yearlings 2.00-7.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 1.50 higher, bulls steady.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	127.00-140.00	350-400 lbs.	114.00-130.00
400-500 lbs.	118.00-143.00	400-500 lbs.	109.00-122.50
500-600 lbs.	108.00-125.00	500-600 lbs.	105.00-115.00
600-700 lbs.	105.00-114.00	600-700 lbs.	99.00-108.00
700-800 lbs.	101.00-109.50	730-765 lbs.	98.00-100.00
800-900 lbs.	97.00-102.00	Lot 815 lbs.	94.00

### Large 3 Holsteins

350-400	96.00-100.00
400-500 lbs.	90.00-102.75
500-600 lbs.	87.00-90.00
600-650 lbs.	83.00-89.00
850-900 lbs	77.50-80.50

**REPLACEMENT COWS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 3 to 7 yrs, 900-1450 lbs. 2nd-3rd stage, 700.00-885.00, per head.

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 3 to ss, 900-1200 lbs with baby to 300 lb calves 1000.00-1190.00 per pair.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 50.00-58.00, high dressing 54.00-64.00. Lean (85-90%) 48.50-54.00, low dressing 43.00-48.00.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1450-2300 lbs., 63.50-73.00, high dressing 73.00-80.50, low dressing 58.00-64.50.

## SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin, Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 7562, Week ago 8478, Year ago 8270  
 Cows and Bulls Receipts 1300; Week ago 2300; Year ago 1600  
 Dairy Cattle Receipts 1717; Norwood 05-12-2004

Compared to last week steers and heifers sold steady to 2.00 higher, Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 2.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	Scarce	300-400 lbs.	129.00-136.00
400-500 lbs.	123.00-133.50	400-500 lbs.	110.00-123.00
500-600 lbs.	110.50-126.25	500-600 lbs.	106.75-119.00
600-700 lbs.	105.50-117.50	600-700 lbs.	98.00-111.50
700-800 lbs.	99.00-106.00	700-800 lbs.	94.50-106.00
800-900 lbs.	93.00-99.50	800-900 lbs.	89.00-94.00
900-1000 lbs.	93.75		

### HOLSTEINS:

Large Frame 3

300-400 lbs.	Scarce
400-500 lbs.	99.00-105.00
500-600 lbs.	91.00-98.00
600-700 lbs.	81.50-85.00
700-800 lbs.	Scarce
800-900 lbs.	79.75

**REPLACEMENT COWS:** Medium and Large 2, 800-1450 lbs, 2 yrs to ss, 1st to 3rd stage, 710.00-985.00 per head.

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to bm, 800-1300 lbs. baby to 325 lb calves, 850.00-1260.00 per pair.

### Dairy Cattle Sales

**Springer Heifers:** Supreme 1800.00-2550.00, Approved 1500.00-1750.00, Crossbred 1230.00-1475.00, Open Heifers; Approved 700-800 lbs 1275.00-1475.00, 600-700 lbs 1050.00-1290.00, 500-600 lbs 1050.00-1240.00, Bred Heifers 4-6 months Supreme 1525.00-1725.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 270.00-620.00, Bulls 150.00-240.00.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 55.00-61.50, high dressing 62.00-65.00. Lean (85-90%) 46.00-52.00.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1335-2570 lbs., 67.00-74.00, high dressing 77.00-81.75.

## INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 10,210; Week ago 10,677; Year ago 10,721  
 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts 3.00 lower.  
 Sows mixed .50 lower to 1.00 higher.

### BARROWS AND GILTS:

Base carcass meat prices 74.00.  
 Weekly top price Tuesday 78.00

### SOWS:

300-500 lbs 42.00-44.00  
 Over 500 lbs 45.00-47.00.

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**WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Kingsville and Sedalia)

Receipts 2701; Week ago 3107; Year ago 2473

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 3.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls firm-2.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs.	129.00-146.00
400-500 lbs.	123.00-144.00
500-600 lbs.	117.00-129.00
600-700 lbs.	108.00-119.50
700-800 lbs.	104.00-112.00
800-900 lbs.	102.00-104.75

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs.	119.00-128.00
400-500 lbs.	116.00-131.00
500-600 lbs.	106.50-117.00
600-700 lbs.	101.00-112.25
700-800 lbs.	102.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 4 yrs to ss, 1100-1330 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage 745.00-880.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 50.00-56.00, high dressing 55.75-64.50. Lean (85-90%) 48.00-53.50, low dressing 39.00-44.75.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, ScarceSLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1140-2355 lbs. 64.00-69.25, high dressing 69.75-75.00.**EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, and Boonville)

Receipts 4405; Week ago 3478; Year ago 4496

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 2.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

350-400 lbs.	130.00-137.50
400-500 lbs.	125.00-137.50
500-600 lbs.	111.00-129.00
600-700 lbs.	104.50-120.00
700-800 lbs.	100.50-110.50
800-900 lbs.	98.00-104.00

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

350-400 lbs.	120.00-127.00
400-500 lbs.	110.00-130.00
500-600 lbs.	104.00-120.50
600-700 lbs.	102.00-115.50
700-800 lbs.	95.50-101.50

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-4 85.50-90.00SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 48.00-58.00, high dressing 54.00-64.00, low dressing 44.00-54.00.SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 84.00-88.00SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1200-2400 lbs., 67.50-72.50, high dressing 72.50-79.25.**NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Palmyra, New Cambria, and Green City)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 3139; Week ago 342; Year ago 2070

Slaughter Cattle Receipts 181; Week ago 64; Year ago 60

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows 3.00-4.00 higher, Slaughter steers and heifers 4.00-5.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	132.00-142.00
400-500 lbs.	126.00-142.00
500-600 lbs.	117.50-134.00
600-700 lbs.	109.50-123.00
700-800 lbs.	104.50-113.50
800-900 lbs.	101.60-111.00

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs.	121.00-136.00
400-500 lbs.	120.00-136.00
500-600 lbs.	109.00-124.00
600-700 lbs.	105.25-113.50
766 lbs.	104.50

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3, 1050-1400 lbs. 86.50-88.90.SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 54.00-61.00, low dressing 49.50-54.00.SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-3, 975-1300 lbs. 85.00-87.50.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1300-2300 lbs. 64.50-72.50.**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Patton Junction and Fruitland)

Receipts 1381; Week ago 1154; Year ago 1376

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 1.00 lower. Slaughter Cows and Bulls 3.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

250-300 lbs	130.00-147.00
300-400 lbs.	124.00-134.00
400-500 lbs.	112.00-127.00
500-600 lbs.	105.00-119.00
600-650 lbs.	93.00-109.00
700-775 lbs.	86.00-102.00
800-850 lbs.	93.00-98.50

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

250-300 lbs.	111.00-124.00
300-400 lbs.	109.00-119.00
400-500 lbs.	100.50-115.50
500-600 lbs.	100.00-113.50
600-700 lbs.	93.00-104.00
700-800 lbs.	82.50-97.00
800-900 lbs.	81.00-90.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2-7 yrs 920-1310 lbs in 2nd and 3rd stage pregnancy 620.00-960.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 47.50-54.25, high dressing 52.50-58.00, Lean (85-90%) 37.50-42.50.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2-7 yrs, 970-1340 lbs with 150-250 lbs calves 930.00-1600.00 per pair.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1270-2310 lbs 66.00-70.25, high dressing 71.50-72.50, low dressing 56.00-63.25.**SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Cuba and Vienna)

Receipts 3139; Week ago 3065; Year ago 2189

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 3.00 higher. Slaughter Cows steady.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	137.00-150.00
400-500 lbs.	121.00-133.00
500-600 lbs.	115.00-125.00
600-700 lbs.	107.50-118.50

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1

350-400 lbs.	125.00-130.00
400-500 lbs.	115.00-128.00
500-600 lbs.	108.50-120.00
600-700 lbs.	104.00-111.00
750-830 lbs.	97.50-100.50

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 1000-1350 lbs, 1st to 3rd stage, 775.00-935.00 per head.SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 52.00-57.00, high dressing 57.00-61.00, Lean (85-90%) 49.50-55.50, low dressing 45.00-49.00.COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 2 to 5 yrs, 925-1300 lbs. with 200-300 lbs calves 1120.00-1450.00 per pair.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1600-2300 lbs, 65.00-70.25, high dressing 70.00-74.00, low dressing 62.00-64.50.**MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT  
SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT**

Weekly Receipts 1400; Week ago 600; Year ago 400

Trade slow to moderate. Live sales 5.00 lower, dressed sales on a grid basis 5.00-8.00 lower.

STEERS:

Live sales: 50-70% Choice 1200-1250 lbs 85.00.

STEERS AND HEIFERS:

Carcass sales: No Sales

HEIFERS:

Live Sales: 50-70% Choice 1100-1150 lbs 85.00

GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid):Choice 550-950 lbs 140.00-146.00  
Select 550-950 lbs 123.00-126.00

**MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT  
WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT**

Receipts: 18,356 (FOB 3,184, Delivered 15,172). Compared to last week, weaner pigs steady, feeder pigs 1.00 to 2.00 higher Moderate demand for moderate supply.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights  
Fob the farm, 0% negotiated  
3,184 head 10 lbs 26.20-33.00 weighted average price 30.01

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights  
Delivered, 11.5% negotiated (5,610 head Ark to IA, NB)  
8,585 head 28.88-33.81 weighted average 10 lbs 32.74.

Feeder pigs in all lot sizes  
Delivered 51% negotiated  
6,587 head 40-50 lbs 47.00-57.71, weighted average 44.8 lbs 52.43.

Feeder pigs in all lot sizes.  
FOB the farm, No sales to report.

**WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER**

	<u>CATTLE</u>	<u>HOGS</u>	<u>SHEEP</u>
Week to date	693,000	1,895,000	42,000
Last week	695,000	1,826,000	39,000
Last Year	767,000	1,808,000	49,000
2004 yr. to date	12,493,000	39,506,000	1,068,000
2003 yr. to date	13,648,000	38,737,000	1,133,000

**MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW**

Slaughter Receipts

This week 42,000; Week ago 39,000; Year ago 49,000

Slaughter Lambs steady      Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good  
Slaughter Ewes 5.00 lower      1-3 30.00-35.00, Cull 1 20.00-  
Feeder Lambs steady      30.00

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and      Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large  
Prime 2-3 90-150 lbs shorn 95.00-      1-2 60-80 lbs 105.00-120.00, 80-  
100.00, woolled 90.00-95.00.      100 lbs 95.00-105.00.

**WEEKLY HAY SUMMARY**

Not a lot has changed with the hay market this week. Rains, in some cases heavy, fell though out most of the state this week putting the hay harvest on hold. As of early this week the state had harvested 26 percent of the first cutting of alfalfa, a little less than a week ahead of last year. The south central area was leading the state at 55 percent, which is a bit over 40 percent more than this time last year. Temperatures have been high this week reaching close to records and allowing the pastures and hay fields to continue to grow good with all the moisture. Many farmers have mentioned that grass and clover hay is lying on the ground because of heavy growth and hard rains. Hay supply is moderate, demand is light and old crop hay prices are steady, new crop steady to firm. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available, to be listed, or for a directory, call 1-800-877-4HAY(4429). (All prices per ton unless specified and most reflect delivered price) Supreme quality alfalfa (RFV>185)100.00-140.00, Premium alfalfa (RFV170-180) 80.00-110.00, Fair to Good alfalfa (RFV130-170) Round bales 35.00-70.00, Small and Big squares 70.00-100.00, Fair to good quality prairie hay 60.00-85.00, Good quality brome 50.00-85.00, Good quality timothy hay 3.00-3.50 per small square bale, Good quality red clover hay 30.00-60.00, Good quality mixed grass hay 12.00-25.00 per round bale, Fair quality large round bales fescue 10.00-20.00 per bale. Fair quality large round bales fescue 10.00-20.00 per bale. Wheat straw 1.50-2.50 per small square bale.

**MIDWEST EGG REVIEW**

Prices on large .05 higher, medium steady, small steady. IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN: Prices paid to producers. (cents per dz.) Large .43-.50, Medium .33-.37, Small .19-.21.

**WHOLESALE FEEDSTUFFS PRICES  
(DOLLARS PER TON-BULK BASIS)**

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	288.40	227.00	207.50	71.50
St. Louis	295.00	222.50	207.50	77.50

**By-Product Feed Prices**

Soy Hulls Mexico, MO 85.00, Alfalfa Pellets 17% St Louis, MO 130.00, Distillers Grain dried Macon MO 143.00, Corn Gluten feed pelleted, Decatur, Il 67.00, Brewers Grain pressed 70% moisture, St Louis, MO 34.00. Prices per ton.

**WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS**

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .30 to .60 lower, Wheat .11 to .20 higher, Corn .02 to .04 lower, KC Wheat .06 to .08 higher, Soybean Meal 13.00 to 18.70 lower. (all price trends approximate ranges).

**Daily Grain Futures Closes**

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>Soybeans</b>					
Jul	905 1/2	874	907 1/2	869	872 1/2
Aug	846 3/4	827	849 1/2	816	812 1/2
Sept	754	740 1/2	759	732 1/2	728 3/4
Nov	707 1/2	695 3/4	707	683	684
Jan	709 1/2	697	707	685 1/2	684
<b>Wheat</b>					
Jul	367 3/4	370 1/2	377	370 1/4	368 1/4
Sept	373 3/4	377 1/2	384	377 1/2	376 1/2
Dec	384 1/2	396 1/2	394	387 3/4	385
Mar	392	393	400 1/4	395	393
May	386	388	395	391	391
<b>Corn</b>					
Jul	295 1/2	292	298 1/2	292 1/4	290
Sept	290 1/4	286 1/4	292 3/4	285 1/2	284 3/4
Dec	288	283 1/4	289 3/4	282 1/2	281
Mar	292 1/2	287 3/4	294 1/4	286 3/4	286
May	295	290 3/4	298	290 1/2	290
<b>KC Wheat</b>					
May	379 1/2	379 1/2	387 1/2	287 1/2	387 1/4
Jul	386	386	391 3/4	392 3/4	391 3/4
Sept	391 1/2	391 1/2	397 1/4	399 1/4	399 1/4
Dec	399	399	405	404	405
Mar	403	403	411	410	410
<b>SB Meal</b>					
Jul	291.50	282.50	294.20	282.30	282.00
Aug	276.80	270.10	279.20	265.80	265.20
Sept	256.80	251.80	258.50	247.50	246.30
Oct	230.70	230.70	230.00	223.00	222.80
Dec	226.00	222.40	225.20	218.20	218.30

**WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TRENDS**

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle 1.42 to 2.95 higher, Lean Hogs Jun .27 lower, others .13 to 1.25 higher, Pork Bellies unchanged to 3.50 lower, Feeder Cattle 1.70 to 5.55 higher.

**Daily Futures Closes**

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>Cattle</b>					
May	86.00	86.00	86.00	86.00	86.00
Jun	80.45	81.55	82.85	82.97	83.45
Aug	82.72	85.20	85.12	85.12	86.02
Oct	83.62	83.75	85.65	86.40	86.97
Dec	83.50	84.35	85.70	86.35	86.85
<b>Lean Hogs</b>					
Jun	74.50	75.32	75.05	74.15	75.45
Jul	72.95	73.95	74.80	73.92	74.70
Aug	71.62	72.17	73.70	72.97	73.65
Oct	60.85	60.90	61.80	61.82	62.52
Dec	57.07	57.60	58.80	58.17	58.75
<b>Prk Bel</b>					
May	125.02	122.02	119.02	120.85	122.00
Jul	116.02	114.17	111.17	111.50	113.15
Aug	110.02	108.80	106.05	105.90	107.55
Feb	98.90	98.00	95.00	96.00	98.50
Mar	93.02	93.02	93.02	93.02	93.02
<b>Fdr Cat</b>					
May	102.82	103.32	104.17	103.90	104.92
Aug	99.47	101.45	102.92	104.25	105.35
Sep	98.65	100.00	101.45	102.87	104.35
Oct	98.10	99.45	100.80	102.30	103.45
Nov	97.20	98.65	99.97	101.30	102.20
<b>Milk</b>					
May	20.49	20.59	20.59	20.60	20.48
Jun	16.57	16.40	16.55	16.60	15.86
Jul	14.99	14.65	14.69	14.49	14.11

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**MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS**

Soybeans .48 to .65 lower  
 Wheat .07 to .10 higher  
 Corn unchanged to .02 lower  
 Grain Sorghum .02 to .04 lower

**Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids**

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
<b>Kansas City</b>				
Monday	9.40	3.76	2.80	4.80
Tuesday	9.09	3.77	2.77	4.75
Wednesday	9.46	3.82	2.84	4.88
Thursday	9.06	3.78	2.77	4.75
Friday	9.08	3.77	2.75	4.71
<b>St. Louis</b>				
Monday	9.32-9.37	3.64-3.66	3.04-3.05	4.94
Tuesday	9.04-9.09	3.67-3.69	3.01-3.02	4.89
Wednesday	9.38-9.43	3.73-3.74	3.08-3.09	5.02
Thursday	8.97-9.04	3.67	3.02-3.03	4.96
Friday	9.01-9.05	3.65	3.01-3.02	4.88
<b>Central</b>				
Monday	9.02-9.06	3.28-3.40	2.75-2.77	4.41
Tuesday	8.71-8.76	3.31-3.43	2.69-2.74	4.35
Wednesday	9.04-9.10	3.37-3.49	2.79-2.81	4.48
Thursday	8.71	3.20-3.42	2.74-2.75	4.36
Friday	8.75	3.28-3.40	2.72-2.73	4.32
<b>S.E. MO</b>				
Monday	9.20-9.27	3.61-3.62	2.93-2.95	4.68-5.03
Tuesday	8.96-8.97	3.64-3.68	2.92	4.85-4.98
Wednesday	9.21-9.33	3.68-3.72	2.97-3.00	4.71-4.96
Thursday	8.85-8.95	3.60-3.64	2.92-2.94	4.57-5.21
Friday	8.94-8.98	3.58-3.62	2.91-2.93	4.55-5.00

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT)  
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**Weekly Missouri Crop Report**

Rain over most of the State last week slowed fieldwork but planting of the major row crops, except for cotton, remains ahead of normal. There were 3.1 days suitable for fieldwork, ranging from less than 3 days in the northwest, northeast and east-central districts, to over 4 days in the southwest and south-central districts. Ninety-one percent of the ground intended for spring crops has been worked at least once, well ahead of normal and varying from 83 percent in the west-central district to over 90 percent worked in all other districts. The topsoil moisture supply ratings averaged 1 percent very short, 8 percent short, 78 percent adequate and 13 percent surplus, with most areas showing an increase in moisture from a week earlier. The northwest district is the driest area with 35 percent rated as short or very short, while the southeast district is the wettest with 37 percent surplus. **Field Crops Report:** Corn planting is 96 percent complete, up only slightly from a week ago but about 2 weeks ahead of both last year and the 5-year average of 79 percent. Emergence of corn has reached 85 percent, also 2 weeks ahead of average. A minor amount of re-planting has been necessary in lowland fields where excessive moisture caused poor stands. Corn condition is rated as 2 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 67 percent good and 10 percent excellent, similar to a week ago. Thirty-nine percent of the expected soybean acreage is planted, 9 days ahead of last year and 6 days ahead of the average of 27 percent. Bean planting is most advanced in the northwest district at 67 percent complete, followed by the north-central district at 45 percent. The southwest and south-central districts are least advanced with 12 percent or less planted. Sixteen percent of the soybeans are emerged, 3 days ahead of average. Forth-three percent of the intended acreage of sorghum has been planted, 6 days ahead of last year and 2 days ahead of normal, with progress ranging from around 20 percent across the central third of the State to 75 percent in the southeast. Eighty-eight percent of the winter wheat is headed, 2 days ahead of a year earlier and 5 days ahead of normal. and southeast districts.