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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 27,957; Week ago 25,174; Year ago 25,218
 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
363 lbs.	161.12	371 lbs.	142.57	363 lbs.	125.24
454 lbs.	149.19	457 lbs.	136.09	450 lbs.	118.61
546 lbs.	137.93	545 lbs.	129.43	563 lbs.	110.00
639 lbs.	126.30	633 lbs.	119.31	646 lbs.	101.02
733 lbs.	117.06	739 lbs.	110.46	750 lbs.	95.53
823 lbs.	108.77	810 lbs.	101.32	840 lbs.	85.51
928 lbs.	103.83			917 lbs.	83.39

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts: 5200; Week ago 4542; Year ago 6030

Compared to last week steers and heifers under 450 lbs steady to 2.00 lower, over 450 lbs unevenly steady. Slaughter cows steady to 3.00 higher, bull 2.00 to 3.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	156.00-177.50	300-400 lbs.	137.50-155.00
400-500 lbs.	139.00-160.00	400-500 lbs.	128.00-140.00
500-600 lbs.	122.00-144.00	500-600 lbs.	118.00-132.00
600-700 lbs.	113.00-128.00	600-650 lbs.	109.00-122.50
700-800 lbs.	109.00-119.00	700-715 lbs.	107.50-108.50
		815-820 lbs.	97.00-102.60

Large 3 Holsteins

325-450 lbs.	113.00-124.00
489-507 lbs.	110.00-110.50
550-600 lbs.	105.00-105.50
637-677 lbs.	90.00-96.50

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1350-2150 lbs., 69.50-77.00, high dressing ind. 78.00, low dressing 63.00-68.00.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 3-7 yrs a few ss, 1050-1350 lbs with baby to 250 lb calves 1025.00-1260.00; some bred back with 350-475 lb calves 1350.00-1450.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 57.00-64.50, high dressing 62.50-67.50. Lean (85-90%) 53.50-60.00, low dressing 44.00-53.00.

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2-7 yrs, 1050-1335 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage, 850.00-1000.00 per head, lot Medium 1-2 3-6 yrs blk/black white-face 911 lbs 2nd stage 1150.00 per head.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 8750; week ago 7500; year ago 7900

Cow and Bull Receipts 2000; week ago 1750; year ago 2300

Dairy Cattle Receipts 1979; Norwood 05/12/05

Compared to last week, feeder steers, holsteins, and heifers mostly steady. Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 2.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	154.00-162.00	300-400 lbs.	132.00-1541.00
400-500 lbs.	140.00-153.50	400-500 lbs.	129.00-139.00
500-600 lbs.	128.00-146.50	500-600 lbs.	117.00-135.00
600-700 lbs.	115.00-135.00	600-700 lbs.	110.00-126.00
700-800 lbs.	110.25-122.00	700-800 lbs.	101.00-109.00
800-900 lbs.	104.00-106.50	800-900 lbs.	99.50-103.50
900-1000 lbs.	Scarce		

HOLSTEINS:

Large Frame 3

200-300 lbs.	120.00-134.00
300-400 lbs.	120.00-130.00
400-500 lbs.	115.00-125.00
500-600 lbs.	100.00-123.50
600-700 lbs.	97.00-114.50
700-800 lbs.	92.50-98.00
800-900 lbs.	84.00-86.50
900-1000 lbs.	83.25-84.00

Dairy Cattle Sales

Springer Heifers: Supreme 1900.00-2175.00, Approved 1725.00-1860.00, Medium 1525.00-1700.00. Bred 4-6 months: Supreme 1900.00-2325.00, Approved 1700.00-1900.00. Open Heifers: Approved 700-800 lbs 1400.00-1575.00, 600-700 lbs 1225.00-1450.00, 500-600 lbs 1100.00-1350.00, 400-500 lbs 1010.00-1225.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 450.00-600.00. Bulls 170.00-220.00.

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 900-1300 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage, 800.00-1200.00 per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 950-1200 lbs. with baby-300 lb calves 1025.00-1400.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 57.00-70.00, high dressing 64.50-74.50, Lean (85-90%) 49.00-59.00, low dressing 45.00-52.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1330-2665 lbs. 70.00-80.00, high dressing 77.00-83.50.

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 7183; Week ago 8960; Year ago 10,677

Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts 3.00 lower.

Sows steady to 1.00 higher.

BARROWS AND GILTS:

Base carcass meat prices 74.00
 Weekly top price Monday 74.00

SOWS:

300-500 lbs 39.00-42.00
 Over 500 lbs 43.00-45.00

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WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Kingsville and Sedalia)

Receipts 2562; Week ago 2771; Year ago 3107

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers firm to 3.00 higher, with some 500 to 600 lbs heifers up to 9.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls uneven 1.00 to 2.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1& 1-2

300-400 lbs.	152.00-162.50
400-500 lbs.	138.00-159.00
500-600 lbs.	129.50-142.50
600-700 lbs.	118.00-131.00
700-800 lbs.	108.75-120.75
800-900 lbs.	104.50-110.00

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	132.00-150.00
400-500 lbs.	124.00-145.00
500-600 lbs.	115.00-139.00
600-700 lbs.	108.75-126.50
700-800 lbs.	103.25-106.10

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 975-1535 lbs, 2nd to 3rd stage, 800.00-1050.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking

and Boning (70-85% lean) 57.00-63.25, high dressing 62.75-71.50, Lean (85-90%) 52.00-59.25

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium

and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to bm, 900-1300 lbs with 100 to 385 lb calves, 810.00-1280.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2, 1210-2185 lbs 66.75-74.75, high dressing 76.75-77.00.

EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, and Boonville)

Receipts 3964; Week ago 4797; Year ago; 3488

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers steady to 3.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1& 1-2

300-400 lbs.	149.50-159.00
400-500 lbs.	136.00-159.00
500-600 lbs.	121.00-147.00
600-700 lbs.	116.00-134.50
700-800 lbs.	111.00-123.00
Load 812 lbs.	113.00

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	136.50-149.00
400-500 lbs.	122.50-142.50
500-600 lbs.	115.00-134.25
600-700 lbs.	110.00-123.50
700-800 lbs.	103.50-112.25
800-900 lbs.	scarce

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Few High Select and Choice 2-3 85.50-90.50, indv 92.00.SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 49.00-64.50, high dressing 57.50-68.00, low dressing 43.00-57.50SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Few High Select and Choice 2-3 86.00-88.25.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1300-2350 lbs, 63.00-73.75, high dressing ind. 75.50-78.00.**NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Palmyra, New Cambria and Green City)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 2962; Week ago 583; Year ago 3495

Slaughter Cattle Receipts 62; Week ago 75; Year ago 64
Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers steady. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 higher. Slaughter steers and heifers 1.50-2.00 lower.FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

300-400 lbs.	158.00-171.00
400-500 lbs.	145.00-159.50
500-600 lbs.	138.50-151.00
600-700 lbs.	121.75-140.00
700-800 lbs.	Scarce
800-900 lbs.	Scarce

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	136.00-149.00
400-500 lbs.	131.00-142.50
500-600 lbs.	122.00-135.00
600-700 lbs.	117.00-124.00
700-800 lbs.	109.80-119.20
800-900 lbs.	Scarce

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3, 1200-1450 lbs 89.50-91.75SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (75-85% lean) 59.00-66.75, low dressing 53.50-59.00SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-3, 1000-1400 lbs 88.00-89.50SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2500 lbs 69.50-78.50**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Patton Junction and Fruitland)

Receipts 1138; Week ago 1385; Year ago 1172

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 4.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls 1.00-2.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

250-300 lbs.	16200-195.00
300-400 lbs.	142.00-166.00
400-450 lbs.	145.00-155.00
450-500 lbs.	128.00-139.00
500-600 lbs.	118.50-139.00
600-700 lbs.	111.00-125.00
700-800 lbs.	104.00-112.00

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

300-400 lbs.	129.50-149.00
400-500 lbs.	124.00-136.00
500-600 lbs.	110.00-132.50
650-700 lbs.	101.00-114.50
700-750 lbs.	100.00-105.50
800-850 lbs.	93.50-95.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs 890-1460 lbs in 2nd to 3rd stage 770.00-1045.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking

and Boning (70-85% lean) 49.00-58.75, high dressing 62.50-70.00, Lean (85-90%) 43.00-46.50.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium

and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs, 925-1420 lbs with 70-230 lb calves 925.00-1260.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield

Grade 1-2, 1290-2065 lbs 66.00-71.50, high dressing 70.50-73.50, low dressing 64.75

SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba and Vienna)

Receipts 3372; Week ago 3051; Year ago 3065

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 4.00 higher with most advance on calves weighing 450-600 lbs. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

350-400 lbs.	156.00-167.00
400-500 lbs.	143.00-159.25
500-600 lbs.	134.00-147.00
600-700 lbs.	124.50-133.00
700-780 lbs.	118.00-122.10

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	139.00-152.00
400-500 lbs.	130.00-150.00
500-600 lbs.	124.50-138.85
600-700 lbs.	114.50-129.75
700-750 lbs.	109.00-113.75

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, short solid mouth 1150-1200 lbs 2nd stage 790.00-915.00 per head

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking

and Boning (70-85% lean) 56.00-63.75, high dressing 63.00-70.00, Lean (85-90%) 51.00-57.50, low dressing 45.50-51.00.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium

and Large 1-2, 2 to 9 yrs 900-1100 lbs with 100 to 275 lb calves, 1200.00-1350.00 per pair

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield

Grade 1-2, 1300-2500 lbs, 65.00-73.00, high dressing 75.00-77.50, low dressing 57.00-63.00.

**MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT
SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT**

Weekly Receipts 200; Week ago 1200; Year ago 600

Compared to last week, trade slow. No confirmed live sales and dressed sales on grid basis 2.00 to 4.00 lower. Demand and seller interest light to moderate with lower bids.

STEERS: no salesSTEERS AND HEIFERS:

Carcass sales: No Sales

HEIFERS: no salesGRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid):

Choice 3 550-950 lbs few 144.00-146.00 load early 149.00. Select 3 550-950 lbs. 129.00-132.00.

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

Receipts: 12,694 (FOB 1,612 Delivered 11,082)
Compared to last week, weaner pigs 1.00 to 2.00 lower and no feeder pigs to trend. Early indication from the USDA National feeder pig reporter is for a weak undertone for both weaner and feeder pigs. Moderate demand for moderate supply.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights.
Fob the farm, 9.6% negotiated.
1,612 head 10 lbs 32.00-37.00 weighted average 10 lbs 33.68.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights.
Delivered, 32.4% negotiated.
11,082 head 10 lbs 33.00-45.50 weighted average 10 lbs 35.94

Feeder pigs in all lot sizes.
Delivered 100% negotiated

MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW

Slaughter Receipts: 48,000; Week ago 50,000; Year ago 39,000

Slaughter Lambs steady Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good
Slaughter Ewes steady 1-3 35.00-50.00, Cull 1 25.00-
Feeder Lambs steady-10.00 lower 35.00.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large
Prime 2-3 90-150 lbs shorn 106.00- 1-2 60-80 lbs 125.00-140.00, 80-
108.00, woolled 104.00-106.00. 100 lbs 110.00-125.00.

Missouri Weekly Hay Summary

The frost and extremely cool temperatures the last half of April has several of the large grass hay producers worried. The fescue has stopped growing foliage and is starting to head out. This will certainly cut tonnage. First cutting of alfalfa nearly complete and quality better than expected by most producers. Rain has been in the forecast most of the week, but only a limited areas have had rain, but where they have had rain it is usually comes with severe weather. Most of the corn is planted and we got way into the soybean acreage this week. Hay prices steady, Demand is light. Supply is moderate. (All prices per ton unless specified) Supreme quality Alfalfa (RFV>185) 115.00-135.00 Premium quality Alfalfa (RFV170-180) 90.00-125.00 Fair to Good quality Alfalfa (RFV130-170) Round bales 30.00-80.00 Small, Big squares and baleage (dry weight) 70.00-100.00 Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 2.50-3.00 per bale 20.00-40.00 per large round bale Fair to good quality Prairie hay 40.00-70.00 Good quality Brome 50.00-85.00 Fair quality Brome some mixed with grass round bales 10.00-25.00 per bale Good quality Timothy Hay 2.50-3.50 per small square bale Good quality Red Clover hay 25.00-50.00 Good quality Mixed Grass hay 10.00-25.00 per round bale 1.25 to 2.50 per small square Fair quality large round bales Fescue 7.00-15.00 per bale Wheat hay 40.00-60.00 Wheat straw 1.50-3.00 per small bale.

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

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	199.00	132.50	190.00	42.00
St. Louis	204.00	126.50	197.50	48.50

WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

	<u>CATTLE</u>	<u>HOGS</u>	<u>SHEEP</u>
Week to date	649,000	1,819,000	48,000
Last week	656,000	1,850,000	50,000
Last Year	691,000	1,843,000	39,000
2005 yr. to date	11,264,000	37,338,000	955,000
2004 yr. to date	11,782,000	37,703,000	1,025,000

MIDWEST EGG REVIEW

Large steady, Medium steady, and Small steady. IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN: Prices paid to producers. (cents per dz.) Large .18-.27, Medium .08-.14, Small .06-.10.

By-Product Feed Prices

Soy Hulls Mexico, MO 58.00, Alfalfa Pellets 17% St Louis, MO 150.00, Distillers Grain dried, Macon, MO 86.00, Corn Gluten Feed pelleted, Decatur, Il 65.00, Brewers Grain pressed 70% moisture, St Louis, MO 33.00. Prices per ton.

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .16 to .32 lower, Wheat .11 to .15 lower, Corn .03 to .05 lower, KC Wheat .07 to .11 lower, except May .02 higher, Soybean Meal 2.70 to 5.20 lower.

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Soybeans					
May	632	628 1/4	628	619 3/4	603 3/4
Jul	637 3/4	634	633	623 1/2	612 3/4
Aug	636 1/2	634	633	623 1/4	612 3/4
Sep	629	629 1/2	628 1/4	620 1/2	607 3/4
Nov	627 1/2	629	627 1/2	619 1/2	609
Wheat					
May	305 1/2	312 1/2	306	301 1/2	296 1/2
Jul	313 1/2	321 1/2	313 3/4	308 3/4	302 3/4
Sep	323	331 1/4	322 3/4	317 3/4	311 3/4
Dec	331 3/4	339 3/4	332 3/4	327 1/2	322
Mar	340	350	341 1/2	337	333
Corn					
May	199 3/4	200 1/4	198 1/4	196 1/4	195 1/4
Jul	207 3/4	208 1/4	206 1/2	204 1/4	203 1/2
Sep	215 3/4	216 1/4	214 3/4	212 1/4	211 3/4
Dec	225 3/4	225 3/4	224 1/4	222 1/4	221 3/4
Mar	233 1/2	233 3/4	232 1/4	230 1/2	230
KC Wheat					
May	331 1/2	338	345	346	330
Jul	314 1/4	322 3/4	316 1/2	313 3/4	309 1/2
Sep	320 1/2	328 1/2	323 1/4	320 1/2	316 1/2
Dec	330 1/2	338 1/2	333 3/4	330 1/2	326 1/2
Mar	339 1/2	347	341 1/2	339 1/2	335
SB Meal					
May	194.10	194.50	196.60	195.40	192.00
Jul	192.90	193.50	194.60	192.00	189.40
Aug	193.20	193.50	194.30	191.70	189.50
Sep	192.30	192.40	193.50	191.00	189.00
Oct	191.70	191.80	192.70	190.60	188.30

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .97 to 2.22 higher, Lean Hogs .20 to 1.75 lower. Pork Bellies May .50 lower, others steady to .92 higher, Feeder Cattle 1.20 to 3.25 higher.

Daily Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Cattle					
Jun	85.40	86.10	86.45	86.80	82.27
Aug	86.15	86.05	86.32	86.55	86.57
Oct	86.62	86.67	87.00	87.15	87.50
Dec	87.60	87.60	87.82	87.97	88.32
Feb	88.10	88.17	88.32	88.45	88.95
Lean Hogs					
May	77.57	76.75	76.80	76.82	76.60
Jun	75.12	75.30	76.22	76.50	75.82
Jul	75.77	75.07	76.42	76.77	75.72
Aug	74.85	73.95	75.27	75.45	75.15
Oct	64.20	63.82	64.35	64.60	64.12
Prk Bel					
May	81.17	80.77	82.42	81.17	80.85
Jul	81.65	82.15	84.55	83.37	83.22
Aug	80.37	81.15	82.55	82.07	81.27
Feb	87.60	87.70	88.95	88.95	88.25
Mar	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50	85.50
Fdr Cat					
May	111.07	111.35	111.57	111.50	111.42
Aug	110.05	110.82	111.37	111.90	112.32
Sep	109.00	109.87	110.20	110.82	111.55
Oct	107.75	108.40	109.15	109.65	110.35
Nov	106.40	107.15	107.45	108.10	108.80
Milk					
May	13.64	13.63	13.63	13.68	13.68
Jun	13.31	13.27	13.30	13.74	13.86
Jul	13.67	13.55	13.52	14.05	14.06

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .24 to .28 lower
 Wheat .05 to .06 lower
 Corn .01 to .05 lower
 Grain Sorghum .08 lower to .20 higher

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
<u>Kansas City</u>				
Monday	6.33-6.36	3.14	1.88	3.29
Tuesday	6.29-6.32	3.23	1.88	3.29
Wednesday	6.30-6.31	3.17	1.87	3.27
Thursday	6.22-6.23	3.14	1.84-1.86	3.21
Friday	6.11	3.10	1.84-1.86	3.21
<u>St. Louis</u>				
Monday	6.50-6.52	3.21	2.14-2.15	3.80
Tuesday	6.44-6.45	3.31	2.14-2.15	3.91
Wednesday	6.42-6.43	3.27	2.13	3.93
Thursday	6.33	3.23	2.11-2.13	3.92
Friday	6.22-6.24	3.19	2.10-2.12	4.00
<u>Central</u>				
Monday	6.09-6.14	2.76-2.84	1.75-1.78	2.86
Tuesday	6.05-6.14	2.87-2.92	1.75-1.80	2.85
Wednesday	6.04-6.13	2.79-2.84	1.76-1.79	2.95
Thursday	5.95-6.04	2.74-2.89	1.73-1.76	2.82
Friday	5.84-5.93	2.68-2.73	1.73-1.76	2.82
<u>S.E. MO</u>				
Monday	6.45-6.50	3.19-3.25	2.05-2.10	3.71-3.78
Tuesday	6.38-6.42	3.27-3.31	2.06-2.10	3.71-3.96
Wednesday	6.33-6.41	3.19-3.23	2.06-2.08	3.68-3.86
Thursday	6.27-6.29	3.14-3.17	2.04-2.06	3.64-3.83
Friday	6.17-6.19	3.08-3.13	2.03-2.06	3.62-3.82

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

A week of dry weather enabled farmers to make substantial progress with planting throughout the State but cool temperatures continued to slow germination and growth of crops. The State averaged 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork. Eighty-nine percent of the ground intended for spring crops has been worked at least once, slightly ahead of last year and 3 days ahead of normal. The topsoil moisture supply ratings averaged 1 percent very short, 23 percent short, 73 percent adequate and 3 percent surplus, down from a week earlier. **Field Crops Report:** Ninety percent of the intended corn acreage has been planted, 4 days behind a year ago but nearly a week ahead of the 5-year average of 83 percent. Although planting is well ahead of normal, corn emergence at 62 percent complete is only 1 day ahead of average due to the cool weather of the past 2 weeks. Reporters in a few northern counties indicated that some early-planted corn fields are being replanted due to frost damage of a week ago. Soybean planting is 21 percent complete, 2 days behind last year but similar to the 20 percent average for this date. Twenty-four percent of the sorghum is planted, 3 days behind last year and 5 days behind the 32 percent average. Rice planting jumped to 88 percent complete, 4 days ahead of last year and nearly 2 weeks ahead of the average of 70 percent. However, emergence has been delayed by cool temperatures to 32 percent complete, 1 day behind the average of 35 percent. Cotton planting also progressed rapidly to 75 percent complete, 10 days ahead of last year and 8 days ahead of the 62 percent normal for this date. Thirteen percent of the first crop of alfalfa hay is cut, 2 days ahead of both last year and average. The winter wheat crop is 48 percent headed, 4 days behind last year and 3 days behind the 59 percent average. Condition of wheat is rated as 2 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 47 percent good and 7 percent excellent, down slightly from a week earlier. Frost damage occurred on the tips of wheat heads in a few southwestern counties. **Pasture & Livestock:** Pasture condition is reported as 8 percent poor, 34 percent fair, 54 percent good and 4 percent excellent, a general decline from a week earlier, as the cool weather slowed growth.