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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 34,550; Week ago 34,811; Year ago 37,560
 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
361lbs.	148.93	363 lbs.	133.43	371 lbs.	125.81
457 lbs.	139.98	453 lbs.	121.62	455 lbs.	112.24
556 lbs.	128.85	549 lbs.	114.15	556 lbs.	103.35
649 lbs.	116.28	643 lbs.	104.15	656 lbs.	87.66
748 lbs.	103.83	741 lbs.	92.43	733 lbs.	83.58
854 lbs.	91.07	853 lbs.	86.78	828 lbs.	77.40
934 lbs.	88.82			943 lbs.	73.57

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts: 4700; Week ago 5214; Year ago 5019
 Compared to last week, steer and heifer calves 3.00 to 7.00 with instances 10.00 lower, yearling cattle sold 3.00 to 5.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 lower, and slaughter bulls steady to 2.00 lower.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	145.00-155.00	300-400 lbs.	124.00-138.00
400-500 lbs.	135.00-147.00	400-450 lbs.	122.50-132.00
500-550 lbs.	130.00-138.50	450-500 lbs.	112.00-125.00
550-600 lbs.	119.00-127.00	500-550 lbs.	107.00-115.00
600-650 lbs.	115.00-123.00	550-600 lbs.	105.00-113.00
650-700 lbs.	104.00-112.50	600-700 lbs.	92.00-103.00
700-800 lbs.	94.00-103.50	700-755 lbs.	88.25-93.00
800-900 lbs.	87.00-94.00	775-850 lbs.	82.50-86.00

Large 3 Holsteins

Lot 569 lbs.	92.00
Pkg 623 lbs.	87.50
Lot 681 lbs.	84.00

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1300-2280 lbs, 60.00-68.00, High dressing 68.00-71.50 Low dressing 59.00-61.00

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium 1-2 5 to 6 yrs, 850-1050 lbs with baby to 150 lb calves 900.00-1070.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 47.00-55.50, high dressing 53.00-56.50. Lean (85-90%) 45.00-51.50, low dressing 36.50-43.00.

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 3 to 7 yrs, 1050-1350 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage, 800.00-910.00 per head, ss 1050-1350 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage 650.00-775.00 per head, few 1400-1625 lbs 850.00-875.00 per head.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 9955; week ago 9275; year ago 8762
 Cow and Bull Receipts 1678; week ago 2080; year ago 2600
 Dairy Cattle Receipts 965, (Springfield 3/28/06)
 Compared to last week, feeder steers under 650 lbs steady to 3.00 higher, over 650 lbs 3.00 to 6.00 lower, Holsteins 1.00 to 3.00 lower, heifers 2.00 to 5.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls steady.

STEERS: Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	151.00-170.00
400-500 lbs.	127.00-152.00
500-600 lbs.	116.50-143.00
600-700 lbs.	109.00-127.00
700-800 lbs.	97.00-104.00
800-900 lbs.	90.35-92.00

HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	128.00-150.00
400-500 lbs.	113.00-136.50
500-600 lbs.	105.00-124.00
600-700 lbs.	89.50-114.00
700-800 lbs.	88.50-99.00

HOLSTEINS: Large Frame 3

200-300 lbs.	123.00-127.00
300-400 lbs.	118.00-128.00
400-500 lbs.	104.00-119.00
500-600 lbs.	90.00-113.00
600-700 lbs.	85.00-102.50
700-800 lbs.	80.00-86.50
800-900 lbs.	75.50-77.50
900-1000 lbs.	72.25-75.00

Dairy Cattle Sales

Springer Heifers: Supreme 1940.00-2100.00, Approved 1685.00-1885.00, Medium 1000.00-1500.00, Bred 4-6 months: Supreme ind. 2075.00, Approved 1600.00-1870.00. Open Heifers: Approved 700-800 lbs 1335.00-1400.00, 600-700 lbs 1075.00-1250.00, 500-600 lbs 1000.00-1200.00, 400-500 lbs 940.00-1100.00, 300-350 lbs 860.00-910.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 380.00-610.00.

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 1000-1350 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage, 725.00-940.00, more attractive blacks and yellows 1025.00-1150.00. per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 4 yrs to ss, 920-1340 lbs. with baby to 375 lb calves, few rebred 1st stage 1025.00-1285.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 49.00-57.00, high dressing 53.00-61.50 Lean (85-90%) 44.00-50.50, low dressing 35.00-46.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1245-2495 lbs. 62.00-69.00, high dressing 66.00-74.00, low dressing 52.50-62.00.

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 11,732; Week ago 9701; Year ago 9786
 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts steady to 2.00 lower. Sows 3.00 to 5.00 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS:
 Base carcass meat price 47.00-49.00
 Weekly top Tuesday 51.50

SOWS:
 300-500 lbs 22.00-25.00
 Over 500 lbs 27.00-30.00

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WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Sedalia, Kingsville)

Receipts 2777; Week ago 4079; Year ago 4275

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers 1.00 to 5.00 lower.

Slaughter Cows uneven 1.00 higher to 1.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1& 1-2

300-400 lbs.	142.00-161.00
400-500 lbs.	131.00-158.00
500-600 lbs.	120.00-143.00
600-700 lbs.	99.75-127.00
700-800 lbs.	92.75-105.75
800-865 lbs.	87.50-96.25

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 5 yrs, 850-1335 lbs 2nd to 3rd stage 825.00-1100.00 per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 6 yrs 1075-1225 lbs with baby to 125 lb calves 950.00-1225.00 per pair.

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	128.00-148.00
400-500 lbs.	114.00-142.00
500-600 lbs.	108.50-127.00
600-700 lbs.	93.00-118.00
700-800 lbs.	86.85-96.25
825-845 lbs.	89.25-92.25

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 48.75-54.00, High dressing 54.00-61.00, Lean (85-90%) 47.00-51.25, Low dressing 40.00-47.00**SLAUGHTER BULLS:**

Yield Grade 1-2, 1315-2245 lbs 62.75-68.00, high dressing 69.50-71.25, low dressing 52.00-62.25.

EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville)

Receipts: 4264, Week ago 5026, Year ago 6638

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers steady to 5.00 lower, instances 5.00 to 10.00 lower on calves. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1& 1-2

350-400 lbs.	146.00-159.00
400-500 lbs.	130.00-146.50
500-600 lbs.	115.00-139.00
600-700 lbs.	103.00-126.00
700-800 lbs.	93.00-110.50
800-850 lbs.	90.50-97.00

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3 80.00-82.50**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Choice 2-3 80.00-81.25**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

350-400 lbs.	126.00-139.00
400-500 lbs.	115.00-137.00
500-600 lbs.	105.00-129.00
600-700 lbs.	95.00-115.00
700-775 lbs.	90.00-99.50

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 44.00-57.00, high dressing 50.00-60.00, low dressing 37.00-45.00**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1500-2400 lbs, 60.00-66.00, high dressing 68.00-69.00.**NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Palmyra, Green City, New Cambria)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 5879; week ago 2308; year ago 5234

Slaughter Cattle Receipts 66; week ago 26; year ago 115

Compared to the last week steers and heifers unevenly steady, Slaughter Cows steady, Slaughter steers and heifers 2.00 to 3.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	143.00-151.00
400-500 lbs.	134.50-151.00
500-600 lbs.	124.00-136.00
600-700 lbs.	113.85-126.75
700-800 lbs.	102.00-115.75
800-900 lbs.	91.00-105.50
900-975 lbs.	87.10-91.00

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3 1100-1450 lbs 82.00-82.50**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Choice 2-3 1100-1400 lbs 80.70-82.75**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	129.00-138.00
400-500 lbs.	119.00-133.00
500-600 lbs.	115.00-127.25
600-700 lbs.	107.00-124.25
700-800 lbs.	91.00-105.00
800-900 lbs.	81.00-92.00

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (75-85% lean) 50.00-58.75, low dressing 46.75-51.00.**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1550-2300 lbs. 61.25-70.75.**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Fruitland, Patton)

Receipts 1485; Week ago 2093; Year ago 1557

Compared to last week steers and heifers uneven, 2.00 higher to 3.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls 1.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

250-300 lbs.	162.50-168.00
300-350 lbs.	154.00-165.00
350-400 lbs.	139.00-151.00
400-450 lbs.	134.00-145.00
450-500 lbs.	121.00-145.00
500-550 lbs.	118.00-138.00
550-600 lbs.	112.00-125.00
600-700 lbs.	98.00-117.50
700-800 lbs.	94.00-104.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs 910-1290 lbs in 2nd to 3rd stage 690.00-1120.00 per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs 910-1320 lbs. with baby-250 lbs calves 1100.00-1575.00 per pair.

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

250-300 lbs.	128.00-140.00
300-400 lbs.	124.00-140.00
400-450 lbs.	111.00-132.00
450-500 lbs.	105.00-125.50
500-600 lbs.	101.00-115.50
600-700 lbs.	90.00-107.00
700-775 lbs.	82.00-103.50
800-850 lbs.	85.50-89.00

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean)

44.50-52.50, high dressing 50.50-57.50, Lean (85-90%) 33.50-40.75.

SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2, 1415-2105 lbs 57.50-62.25, high dressing 66.25, low dressing 50.50-55.25.

SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts 3556, Week ago 3930, Year ago 3768

Compared to last week steers and heifers 2.00 to 12.00 lower. Slaughter cows 1.00 to 3.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	139.50-163.00
400-500 lbs.	125.75-140.00
500-600 lbs.	118.00-137.00
600-700 lbs.	102.00-127.50
700-750 lbs.	92.75-94.50
Pkg 865 lbs.	83.50

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, Herefords 8 yrs to ss 1200-1350 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage 680.00-860.00 per head

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, Herefords 5 yrs to ss 1050-1250 lbs with baby to 250 lb calves 950.00-1075.00 per pair.**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	127.00-137.50
400-500 lbs.	114.50-126.75
500-600 lbs.	100.00-121.00
600-660 lbs.	95.00-108.00
660-740 lbs.	88.50-97.00

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 45.00-52.50, High dressing 49.00-56.50, Lean (85-90%) 41.00-48.00, low dressing 34.00-43.75**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2250 lbs, 60.00-65.00, low dressing 52.00-58.00**MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT
SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT**

Weekly Receipts 200; Week ago 400; Year ago 600

Compared to last week, trade rather slow. No confirmed live sales and dressed sales on grid basis 3.00 to 4.00 lower. Demand and seller interest light with lower bids.

STEERS: No Sales**HEIFERS:** No Sales**STEERS AND HEIFERS:**

Carcass sales: No Sales

GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid):

Choice 3 550-950 lbs 132.00-

137.00

Select 3 550-950 lbs. No Sales

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

Receipts: 15,399

Compared to last week, weaner and feeder pigs steady, no feeder pigs to report. National Feeder Pig Report early indications are for weaner pigs to be 1.00 lower and feeder pigs to be 1.00-2.00 lower compared to last week. Moderate demand for moderate supply.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights
Delivered, 93% formulated. (6175 head AR to NB, IA)
15,399 head 10 lbs 29.45-37.00, weighted average 10 lbs 32.11

Feeder pigs in all lot sizes 40-45 lb base weights
No sales to report

MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW

Slaughter Receipts: 64,000; Week ago 60,000; Year ago 45,000

Slaughter Lambs Steady Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good
Slaughter Ewes Steady to 5.00 lower 1-3 28.00-35.00, Cull 1 20.00-28.00.

Feeder Lambs Steady

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large
Prime 2-3 90-150 lbs shorn 66.00-70.00, woolled 60.00-66.00. 1-2 50-70 lbs 105.00-120.00, 70-90 lbs 90.00-105.00.

Missouri Weekly Hay Summary

Despite the fact fertilizer prices have increased again this season, many farmers found it hard to get a buggy this week if they didn't own their own. From a distance there seems to be little decrease in farmers applying fertilizer this year. As expected weevils are being reported in alfalfa fields and some farmers have or, are very close to spraying. Pastures and hay fields are growing at a high rate as moisture and very warm weather are favorable for such growth. Many farmers are now pulling out equipment and ordering parts, preparing for the first cutting in a month or so. Cattle have really began to chase the grass now and for the most part turning their heads to any hay being offered. Prices are steady, supply light, and demand light to moderate. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available for buyers and sellers. To be listed, or for a directory, call 1-800-877-4HAY(4429). (All prices per ton unless specified) Supreme quality Alfalfa (RFV>185) 125.00-150.00 premium quality Alfalfa(RFV170-180) 90.00-125.00 Fair to Good quality Alfalfa(RFV130-170) Round bales 40.00-80.00 Small, Big squares 70.00-110.00 Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 2.50-3.50 per bale 25.00-50.00 per large round bale Fair to good quality Prairie hay 40.00-60.00 Premium Quality Brome large Squares 90.00-100.00 Good quality Brome 40.00-70.00 Fair quality Brome and mixed with grass round bales 15.00-30.00 per bale Good quality Timothy Hay 3.00-4.50 per small square bale Good quality Red Clover hay 25.00-50.00 Good quality Mixed Grass hay 20.00-35.00 per round bale Fair quality large round bales Fescue 15.00-25.00 per bale Wheat hay 40.00-60.00 Wheat straw 2.50-3.50 per small bale.

WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

	<u>CATTLE</u>	<u>HOGS</u>	<u>SHEEP</u>
Week to date	636,000	1,992,000	64,000
Last week	613,000	1,973,000	60,000
Last Year	581,000	1,986,000	45,000
2006 yr. to date	8,326,000	27,881,000	719,000
2005 yr. to date	8,147,000	27,767,000	720,000

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

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	172.00	182.50	156.25	67.50
St. Louis	187.50	170.00	170.00	55.50

MIDWEST EGG REVIEW

Large steady, Medium steady, and Small steady. IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN: Prices paid to producers. (cents per dz.)
Large .47-.56, Medium .24-.30, Small .07-.11.

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .12 to .14 lower, Wheat .03 to .06 higher, Corn .16 to .18 higher, KC Wheat .05 to .07 higher, Soybean meal 2.50 to 3.50 lower.
Soybean Meal lower.

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Soybeans					
May	565	558 3/4	561 1/2	564	557 3/4
Jul	579	573	576	578	572 1/4
Aug	583 3/4	578 1/4	579 1/2	583 3/4	577 1/2
Sep	588 1/4	582	583	587	581 1/4
Nov	596 1/4	590	591 3/4	593 1/4	588 3/4
Wheat					
May	342	342 3/4	347	352 1/2	351 1/4
Jul	355	356	360	366	364 3/4
Sep	366 1/2	367 1/2	371 1/4	377 1/4	375 1/2
Dec	381 1/4	382 1/2	386 1/4	393	391 3/4
Mar	394 1/4	396	400 1/2	407	406 1/2
Corn					
May	236 1/2	234 1/2	236 1/4	241 1/2	243
Jul	247 3/4	245 1/4	247 1/2	252 3/4	254 1/2
Sep	256 1/2	254 3/4	256 3/4	261 1/2	263 1/4
Dec	268 1/4	266 1/2	268	272 3/4	274 1/2
Mar	276 1/4	274 3/4	275 3/4	280 1/2	281 3/4
KC Wheat					
May	415	414 1/4	422	431	430
Jul	419 1/4	418 1/2	427 3/4	436	437
Sep	422	423 1/2	430	438	441
Dec	429	429 1/2	437 3/4	446	446 1/2
Mar	433	434	442	449	450 1/2
SB Meal					
May	173.10	171.00	172.30	172.70	171.10
Jul	175.20	173.60	174.60	174.90	173.40
Aug	176.60	175.20	176.10	176.30	174.90
Sep	177.80	176.10	177.00	177.20	175.90
Oct	177.90	176.70	177.50	177.60	176.50

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .70 to 1.87 higher, Lean Hogs .73 to 2.98 lower, Pork Bellies 1.20 to 3.25 lower, Feeder Cattle .25 to .53

Daily Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Cattle					
Apr	80.22	78.32	78.90	79.70	81.22
Jun	74.75	73.12	74.05	74.60	76.22
Aug	76.47	74.95	75.62	76.17	77.80
Oct	80.22	78.72	79.35	79.97	81.27
Dec	82.65	80.87	81.20	81.97	83.00
Lean Hogs					
Apr	58.15	56.30	55.65	54.82	54.37
May	65.37	63.52	63.42	62.97	62.90
Jun	65.87	64.05	64.50	64.07	63.82
Jul	66.22	64.35	64.45	64.12	64.30
Aug	65.25	63.37	63.72	63.47	63.67
Prk Bel					
May	81.32	78.32	79.60	81.97	80.02
Jul	82.00	79.00	80.60	83.20	81.30
Aug	79.00	76.55	77.55	78.95	77.35
Feb	86.30	83.30	83.30	83.00	83.00
Mar	86.55	85.00	83.55	83.25	83.25
Fdr Cat					
Apr	100.97	99.20	100.02	100.55	102.00
May	101.45	99.22	100.40	100.95	102.17
Aug	103.87	101.67	102.80	103.12	104.35
Sep	103.75	101.22	101.77	102.50	103.95
Oct	102.80	100.80	101.25	101.70	103.02
Milk					
Apr	11.01	10.98	10.95	10.95	10.92
May	10.88	10.90	10.90	10.86	10.85
Jun	10.96	11.00	10.94	10.90	10.91

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .07 to .11 lower
 Wheat .08 to .10 higher
 Corn .08 to .15 higher
 Grain Sorghum .12 to .24 higher

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
Kansas City				
Monday	5.41	3.23	2.09	3.79
Tuesday	5.39	3.22	2.15	3.75
Wednesday	5.42	3.22	2.16	3.77
Thursday	5.44	3.36	2.22	3.88
Friday	5.41	3.35	2.23	3.89
St. Louis				
Monday	5.57	3.26	2.36-2.37	4.37
Tuesday	5.52-5.53	3.31	2.37-2.38	4.37
Wednesday	5.55-5.57	3.36	2.40	4.41
Thursday	5.60-5.62	3.42	2.45	4.57
Friday	5.54-5.55	3.41	2.45	4.59
Central				
Monday	5.25-5.32	2.84-2.92	2.07-2.20	3.37-3.57
Tuesday	5.19-5.26	2.85-2.93	2.05	3.30
Wednesday	5.21-5.29	2.90-3.00	2.06-2.20	3.32-3.57
Thursday	5.24-5.31	2.95-3.03	2.12-2.30	3.43-3.66
Friday	5.18-5.25	2.93-3.01	2.13-2.25	3.44-3.84
S.E. MO				
Monday	5.51-5.61	3.22-3.26	2.30-2.34	4.21-4.37
Tuesday	5.46-5.56	3.23-3.27	2.28-2.33	4.17-4.41
Wednesday	5.52-5.58	3.27-3.35	2.32-2.35	4.21-4.44
Thursday	5.55-5.62	3.32-3.40	2.36-2.41	4.30-4.53
Friday	5.49-5.56	3.33-3.40	2.37-2.43	4.34-4.57

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

Field work has slowed for Missouri farmers, as storms soaked fields in much of the State during the past week. An average of 3.3 days were suitable for fieldwork. In spite of the recent delays, fertilizer application and spring tillage have progressed at the normal pace, although the Bootheel is well behind normal due to March rains. Thirty-six percent of tillage on ground intended for spring crops has been completed, compared with 41 percent last year and the 5-year average of 35 percent. Row crop planting has begun in scattered areas of the State, especially in the Bootheel, where corn is being planted between rain events. The moisture situation has started to improve, with topsoil moisture rated at 8 percent very short, 21 percent very short, 67 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil will still need more recharging from last year's drought. It is rated at 18 percent very short, 41 percent short, and 41 percent adequate. **Field Crops Report:** Corn planting has started in the southern two-thirds of the state, while planters are ready to roll in northern areas. Recent rains have given a boost to topsoil moisture, creating good conditions for up-coming germination. The wheat crop is rated at 2 percent poor, 29 percent fair, 54 percent good, and 15 percent excellent. Reports from across the State indicate the crop is growing well due to recent rain. **Pasture & Livestock:** Pasture condition is rated at 11 percent very poor, 19 percent poor, 50 percent fair, 18 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. Grasses have greened up, but growth is slow from lingering effects of last year's drought and temperatures which, until this week, have been cool. Hay supplies are rated at 14 percent very short, 27 percent short, 55 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Stock water supplies are rated at 14 percent very short, 29 percent short, 56 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. The southwest is still gripped by drought and remains significantly short on both hay and stock water supplies. **Weather Summary:** Missouri temperatures during the past week were 3 to 7 degrees above normal throughout the State, with the warmest areas being the southeast and southwest. Rainfall for the State averaged 1.03 inches during the week. The southeast district recorded the lowest average at 0.57 inches while the northwest district averaged 1.50 inches, with Atchison, Holt, and Nodaway counties receiving well over 2 inches. Most northern and east-central counties averaged over 1 inch.