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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 25,380; Week ago 21,411; Year ago 26,386
 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
366 lbs.	154.94	371 lbs.	135.65	361 lbs.	116.86
459 lbs.	138.65	456 lbs.	125.58	458 lbs.	112.02
553 lbs.	128.51	543 lbs.	118.40	555 lbs.	100.62
639 lbs.	121.15	636 lbs.	111.18	646 lbs.	91.29
736 lbs.	109.74	760 lbs.	99.95	760 lbs.	83.57
854 lbs.	104.05	837 lbs.	91.11	832 lbs.	82.14
947 lbs.	91.61	995 lbs.	84.00	983 lbs.	72.95

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts: 4900; Week ago 4863; Year ago 7090
 Compared to last week, steers and heifers steady to 4.00 higher, with steers under 400 lbs and yearlings over 800 lbs 3.00 to 6.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady. Bulls steady to weak.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
350-400 lbs.	147.00-165.00	300-400 lbs.	Scarce
400-450 lbs.	135.00-147.00	400-500 lbs.	117.00-127.00
450-500 lbs.	131.00-140.00	500-600 lbs.	110.00-121.00
500-600 lbs.	119.00-139.00	600-650 lbs.	107.00-117.50
600-650 lbs.	117.00-126.50	650-700 lbs.	99.00-100.00
650-700 lbs.	110.00-115.00	700-760 lbs.	94.00-96.50
700-800 lbs.	107.50-114.50	800-840 lbs.	91.00-93.50
Pkg 813 lbs.	102.50		

Large 3 Holsteins

Pkg 394 lbs.	113.50
400-500 lbs.	110.00-115.00
Lot 571 lbs.	93.50
Lot 762 lbs.	83.00

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2400 lbs, 60.00-67.00, High dressing 67.00-70.00 Low dressing 54.00-61.50

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 4-7 yrs 900-1400 lbs with baby to 250 lbs calves 1000.00-1260.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 47.00-55.00, high dressing 52.50-57.50. Lean (85-90%) 44.00-50.00, low dressing 40.00-45.00.

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs, including several better quality ss mouth cows, 950-1400 lbs in 2nd and 3rd stage 700.00-950.00 per head.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 7330; week ago 6316; year ago 8875
 Cow and Bull Receipts 1952; week ago 2019; year ago 2182
 Dairy Cattle Receipts 668, (Springfield 5/23/06)
 Compared to last week, feeder steers, heifers, and Holstein steers steady to 4.00 higher.
 Slaughter cows 1.00 to 4.00 lower, bulls steady.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	141.00-167.00	300-400 lbs.	130.00-150.00
400-500 lbs.	130.50-145.00	400-500 lbs.	115.00-135.00
500-600 lbs.	116.50-136.50	500-600 lbs.	109.50-129.00
600-700 lbs.	107.00-126.50	600-700 lbs.	98.50-114.50
700-800 lbs.	105.00-115.50	700-800 lbs.	96.00-102.00
800-900 lbs.	99.00-105.00	800-900 lbs.	87.00-94.00
900-1000 lbs.	90.10-93.25		

HOLSTEINS:

Large Frame 3

200-300 lbs.	Scarce
300-400 lbs.	107.00-122.00
400-500 lbs.	105.00-120.00
500-600 lbs.	100.00-106.00
600-700 lbs.	86.50-95.00
700-800 lbs.	Scarce
800-900 lbs.	75.00-83.50
900-1000 lbs.	72.75-75.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 975-1335 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage, 675.00-900.00, more attractive blacks and black white face 935.00-1025.00. per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 985-1335 lbs. with 100 to 275 lb calves, few rebred 1st stage 1000.00-1235.00 per pair.

Dairy Cattle Sales

Springer Heifers: Supreme 1600.00-1800.00, Approved 1360.00-1635.00, Medium 1140.00-1300.00, Bred 4-6 months: Supreme 1700.00-1910.00, Approved 1330.00-1690.00. Open Heifers: Approved 700-800 lbs 1150.00-1185.00, 600-700 lbs 1200.00-1225.00, 400-500 lbs 860.00-1075.00, 1050.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 490.00-580.00. Holstein Bulls 180.00-260.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 45.00-53.00, high dressing 50.00-58.00 Lean (85-90%) 42.00-49.50, low dressing 29.50-44.00

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1320-2620 lbs 58.00-64.00; high dressing 64.00-69.00, low dressing 56.50-59.00

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 8133; Week ago 8957; Year ago 7175
 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts 1.50 to 2.50 lower.
 Sows steady to 1.00 higher

BARROWS AND GILTS:
 Base carcass meat price 60.50
 Weekly top Tuesday 63.50

SOWS:
 300-500 lbs 27.00-29.00
 Over 500 lbs 30.00-32.00

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WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Sedalia, Kingsville)

Receipts 2329; Week ago 2494; Year ago 2616

Compared to last week feeder steers steady to 3.00 higher, heifers steady to 3.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1& 1-2

300-400 lbs	134.00-154.00
400-500 lbs.	125.00-147.00
500-600 lbs.	121.50-137.25
600-700 lbs.	105.00-131.50
700-800 lbs.	103.85-115.50
800-900 lbs.	95.00-98.50
Load 912 lbs.	94.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 960-1765 lbs 2nd to 3rd stage 700.00-1050.00 per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 3 to 7 yrs, 1050-1225 lbs with 120 to 410 lb calves 1110.00-1310.00 per pair.FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	126.50-148.00
400-500 lbs.	115.00-136.00
500-600 lbs.	108.50-122.50
600-700 lbs.	99.00-117.50
700-800 lbs.	92.00-101.25

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 45.25-53.00, High dressing 49.25-59.75, Lean (85-90%) 48.00, Low dressing 42.00-44.50.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1255-2300 lbs 60.00-65.50, high dressing 67.25-71.00, low dressing 56.25-59.50.**EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville)

Receipts: 4088, Week ago 4853, Year ago 3809

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

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1& 1-2

350-400 lbs.	135.00-155.00
400-500 lbs.	125.00-155.00
500-600 lbs.	119.50-139.50
600-700 lbs.	112.00-128.00
700-775 lbs.	103.75-114.75
800-875 lbs.	94.75-103.75
900-1025 lbs.	88.25-92.10

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Select and Choice 2-3 80.00-82.80SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Select and Choice 2-3 79.00-82.00FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

350-400 lbs.	127.00-137.00
400-500 lbs.	118.00-136.00
500-600 lbs.	111.00-129.00
600-700 lbs.	102.50-116.25
700-775 lbs.	95.00-101.50

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 41.00-55.00, high dressing 48.00-57.00, low dressing 35.00-45.00SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1300-2300 lbs, 56.00-67.00, high dressing 67.00-71.00.**NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Palmyra, Green City, New Cambria)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 2467; week ago 211; year ago 2339

Slaughter Cattle Receipts 41; week ago 33; year ago 53

Compared to the last week steers under 800 lbs and heifers under 600 lbs steady to 2.00 higher, heavier weights 4.00 to 8.00 higher, Slaughter Cows steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter steers and heifers steady.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	146.00-165.00
400-500 lbs.	139.00-151.75
500-600 lbs.	129.50-140.25
600-700 lbs.	121.00-130.00
700-800 lbs.	108.25-118.75
800-900 lbs.	104.50-113.60
900-950 lbs.	Scarce

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3 1100-1400 lbs. 78.50-80.50SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-3 1100-1200 lbs. 78.00-78.35FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	135.00-138.00
400-500 lbs.	128.00-135.00
500-600 lbs.	119.00-131.75
600-700 lbs.	1009.75-122.00
700-800 lbs.	97.00-107.50
800-900 lbs.	Scarce

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (75-85% lean) 52.00-57.75, low dressing 44.25-51.00.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2200 lbs. 61.50-66.75.**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Fruitland, Patton)

Receipts 1387; Week ago 1150; Year ago 1046

Compared to last week steers under 600 lbs uneven 3.00 higher to 3.00 lower, over 600 lbs 5.00 higher, heifers steady to 3.00 higher Slaughter cows steady, and bulls 1.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

250-300 lbs.	141.00-151.00
300-350 lbs.	134.00-146.50
350-400 lbs.	127.00-137.00
400-450 lbs.	126.00-136.50
450-500 lbs.	120.00-130.00
500-600 lbs.	114.00-129.00
600-700 lbs.	104.00-118.50
700-800 lbs.	98.00-108.25
800-850 lbs.	90.00-94.00
1000-1050 lbs.	75.00-81.50

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2-7 yrs old, 950-1350 lbs, 2nd-3rd stage 680.00-1080.00 per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2-7 yrs 920-1315 lbs with 180 to 260 lb calves 850.00-1070.00 per pair.

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

250-300 lbs.	128.00-139.00
300-400 lbs.	114.00-131.00
400-500 lbs.	108.00-124.40
500-600 lbs.	105.00-119.00
600-675 lbs.	95.00-110.00
700-775 lbs.	96.25-99.00

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and boning (75-85% lean) 45.00-50.00; high dressing 50.25-54.50. Lean 36.75-40.25.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-1935 lbs, 56.00-61.75; high dressing 64.25, low dressing 53.50-55.25.**SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts 2994, Week ago 1830, Year ago 3500

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 5.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

360-390 lbs.	156.00-159.00
400-500 lbs.	131.75-153.50
500-600 lbs.	121.00-138.00
600-700 lbs.	113.75-130.25
700-800 lbs.	107.25-113.50
820-855 lbs.	97.00-99.75

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1, small pkg. 2 yrs 1075 lbs. 2nd stage 990.00 per head.COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, ScarceFEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	136.00-144.00
400-500 lbs.	117.00-138.00
500-600 lbs.	114.00-128.50
600-700 lbs.	105.00-118.50
750-870 lbs.	87.00-99.25

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 46.00-52.50, High dressing 51.00-57.50, Lean (85-90%) 42.00-48.00, low dressing 37.00-42.50.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1500-2500 lbs, 58.00-65.00, high dressing 67.75, low dressing 54.00-57.00.**MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT
SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT**

Weekly Receipts 800; Week ago 600; Year ago 1000

Compared to last week, trade rather slow, No confirmed live sales and dressed sales on grid basis steady to 2.00 higher. Demand and seller interest moderate

STEERS: 40-60% Choice 1200-1250 lbs 78.00-78.50 late last FridayHEIFERS: no salesSTEERS AND HEIFERS:

Carcass sales: No Sales

GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid):

Choice 3 550-950 lbs 130.00 to 133.00, few 135.00.

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

Receipts: 10,348
Compared to last week, weaner pigs steady to 1.00 lower and feeder pigs not tested. Moderate demand for moderate supply.

All pig prices based on a delivered basis including freight and fees.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights
96% formulated. (5900 hd AR to IA or NE)
10,348 head 10 lbs 29.71-33.50, weighted average 10 lbs 31.82

Feeder pigs 40-50 base weights
Delivered
No sales reported

MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW

Slaughter Receipts: 53,000; Week ago 49,000; Year ago 46,000

Slaughter Lambs steady to 2.00 higher
Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good 1-3 30.00-40.00, Cull 1 20.00-30.00.
Feeder Lambs Steady

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 110-140 lbs shorn 72.00-80.00 new crop 83.00-90.00
Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2 50-70 lbs new crop 110.00-130.00, 70-90 lbs 90.00-110.00.

Missouri Weekly Hay Summary

Tractors in most areas of the state logged several hours as hay harvest is well under way. Southwest Missouri was about the only area that received anything more than what would be considered aggravation rain this week. Areas to the northeast are once again becoming very dry and much in need of rain, several other areas would welcome a nice rain as well, but aren't to the point of need yet. New crop yields are about as variable as the rains, some areas are seeing a good harvest while others are being disappointed, however even in the good areas harvest isn't anywhere close to record setting. Supply is light to moderate, demand is light and prices are mostly steady. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available for both buyers and sellers. 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) 135.00-160.00 premium quality Alfalfa (RFV170-180) 100.00-125.00 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 3.00-4.50 per bale, 30.00-60.00 per large round bale Good to Premium quality Prairie hay small squares 80.00-100.00, 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 15.00-35.00 per bale Good quality Timothy Hay 3.00-4.50 per small square bale, Good quality Mixed Grass hay 25.00-45.00 per round bale Fair quality large round bales Fescue 15.00-30.00 per bale Wheat hay 50.00-80.00 Wheat straw 2.50-3.50 per small bale.

WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

	<u>CATTLE</u>	<u>HOGS</u>	<u>SHEEP</u>
Week to date	695,000	1,924,000	53,000
Last week	698,000	1,945,000	49,000
Last Year	605,000	1,940,000	46,000
2006 yr. to date	12,965,000	41,331,000	1,067,000
2005 yr. to date	12,588,000	41,199,000	1,062,000

Buffalo Goat and Sheep Market

Receipts: 1600, last month 1383, last year 1327

Sheep Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 pkg 103 lbs 84.00, Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2 new crop 20-40 lbs weaned 118.00-122.00, 40-70 lbs 102.00-113.00, 70-80 lbs 94.00-105.00. Small and Medium 1-2 35-70 lbs 95.00-109.00, 70-85 lbs 90.00-95.00. Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good 1-3 26.00-35.00, Cull and Utility 23.00-30.00. Slaughter Bucks: few 135-305 lbs 24.00-31.00, fat 20.00-26.00. Goats: Kids, Selection 1-2 40-65 lbs 115.00-130.00. Selection 2 40-60 lbs 112-120.00, Selection 3 40-70 lbs 92.50-109.00. Does/Nannies 75-140 lbs medium to thin flesh 43.00-58.00. Billies 70-165 lbs medium to thin flesh 55.00-79.00. (all prices per cwt.) Replacement classes: Does/Nannies 60-120 lbs young, Spanish or dairy cross, few boar influence medium to thin flesh, 57.50-105.00 per head, pairs trios: Medium to thin nannies with small kids, 92.50-150.00 per family. Feeder Kids: 20-45 lbs, Selection 1-2 115.00-137.00, Selection 2 100.00-115, Selection 3 80.00-100.00 per cwt.

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .02 to .03 lower, Wheat unch to .03 lower, Corn .01 to .05 higher, KC Wheat .02 to .06 higher, Soybean meal .10 to 1.40 lower.

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Soybeans					
Jul	582 1/2	586 3/4	582 1/2	584 1/4	582 1/4
Aug	588 3/4	592 3/4	589	590 1/2	589
Sep	594 1/4	599 3/4	594 3/4	596 1/4	596
Nov	606	610 3/4	607 1/4	608 3/4	608
Jan	614 1/4	619 1/2	616	616 1/4	616 1/2
Wheat					
Jul	426 1/4	419 3/4	411 3/4	409 1/2	415 1/2
Sep	440	433 1/2	425	423 1/4	429
Dec	456 1/2	450 1/2	442	441	446 1/4
Mar	471 3/4	466	457	454 3/4	460 1/2
May	476	470 1/2	463	460	466 1/2
Corn					
Jul	254 1/2	253	249 1/2	253 1/4	254
Sep	265 1/2	264	261	264 1/4	265
Dec	278 3/4	277 1/2	274 1/4	278	279
Mar	288 1/4	287 1/2	284 3/4	288 1/4	289 1/2
May	295	294	291 1/4	295	297 1/4
KC Wheat					
Jul	517 1/2	512	501 1/2	498 3/4	506
Sep	523 1/2	518 3/4	509 3/4	505 3/4	514
Dec	527 1/2	522 1/2	512	512 1/4	519
Mar	528	524 3/4	515	514	520 1/2
Jul	497 1/2	491	484 1/2	485	492
SB Meal					
Jul	172.20	171.80	172.30	173.50	173.30
Aug	173.90	173.40	173.50	174.50	174.30
Sep	175.10	174.60	174.70	175.30	175.30
Oct	176.20	175.70	175.80	176.30	176.30
Dec	178.60	177.90	178.10	178.40	178.50

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle 1.28 to 2.14 higher, Lean Hogs 1.38 to 2.40 lower, Pork Bellies .75 to 3.90 lower, Feeder Cattle 2.35 to 2.53 higher.

Daily Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Cattle					
Jun	77.32	77.62	77.95	78.42	79.40
Aug	78.67	78.67	78.80	79.20	79.85
Oct	82.35	82.42	82.62	82.72	83.62
Dec	84.57	84.85	84.92	85.22	85.55
Feb	87.62	87.85	87.95	88.15	88.70
Lean Hogs					
Jun	67.52	66.05	66.45	65.95	66.77
Jul	66.97	65.07	65.07	64.67	65.22
Aug	65.40	63.80	64.02	63.65	64.15
Oct	56.70	55.45	56.05	55.47	55.60
Dec	55.77	54.22	54.60	54.55	54.37
Prk Bel					
May	87.00	84.55	83.00	80.50	—
Jul	83.92	81.72	82.75	81.82	81.25
Aug	81.45	78.90	79.50	78.40	78.20
Feb	83.70	83.70	83.70	83.75	83.95
Mar	83.95	83.95	83.95	83.95	84.20
Fdr Cat					
May	103.37	103.32	103.35	103.40	—
Aug	106.70	106.82	107.42	108.17	108.75
Sep	106.30	106.42	106.92	107.75	108.30
Oct	105.47	105.55	106.22	106.80	107.32
Nov	104.40	104.60	105.30	105.90	106.40
Milk					
May	10.82	10.82	10.81	10.82	10.82
Jun	11.14	11.20	11.28	11.35	11.45
Jul	11.50	11.75	11.70	11.80	11.99

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .04 lower to .03 higher
 Wheat .03 lower to .08 higher
 Corn .03 to .10 higher
 Grain Sorghum .20 to .35 higher

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
Kansas City				
Monday	5.53	4.18	2.28	4.11
Tuesday	5.57	4.07	2.28	4.07
Wednesday	5.53	4.02	2.25	4.02
Thursday	5.68	4.06	2.30	4.20
Friday	5.53-5.56	4.01	2.29	4.27
St. Louis				
Monday	5.66-5.70	3.81	2.47-2.50	4.92
Tuesday	5.70-5.73	3.55	2.48-2.50	4.98
Wednesday	5.69	3.60	2.48	4.98
Thursday	5.77-5.81	3.74	2.49-2.51	4.98
Friday	5.71	3.79	2.54	5.10
Central				
Monday	5.28-5.39	3.43-3.64	2.17-2.42	3.53-4.28
Tuesday	5.33-5.43	3.40-3.58	2.15-2.40	3.50-4.28
Wednesday	5.33-5.38	3.40-3.50	2.12-2.40	3.44-4.28
Thursday	5.44-5.54	3.41-3.57	2.22-2.38	3.62-4.19
Friday	5.34-5.39	3.51-3.54	2.16-2.17	3.51
S.E. MO				
Monday	5.61-5.66	3.68-3.74	2.40-2.45	4.62-4.89
Tuesday	5.62-5.71	3.56-3.69	2.35-2.44	4.53-4.92
Wednesday	5.57-5.64	3.58-3.62	2.31-2.41	4.46-4.85
Thursday	5.74-5.83	3.73-3.78	2.42-2.49	4.66-4.96
Friday	5.65	3.68-3.72	2.36-2.47	4.55-4.98

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

Dry weather prevailed through most of the week, with 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork. With corn planting nearly complete, farmers worked to get soybeans in the ground, while also turning their attention to the first hay cuttings. Corn and soybean growth is still slow, but most of the planted fields appear well established, with just a few reports of poor stands that require replanting. Spring tillage progressed steadily to 94 percent complete, 4 days behind last year but 2 weeks ahead of normal. Topsoil moisture supply declined from last week to 2 percent very short, 23 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. The northern districts suffered the worst drop in topsoil moisture ratings, where rainfall the past two weeks has been of the "nuisance" variety, light and widely scattered. **Field Crops Report** : Corn planting progress is virtually complete at 98 percent, even with last year but 2 weeks ahead of the 5-year average of 90 percent. Emergence is at 93 percent, 5 days ahead of last year and 2 weeks ahead of normal. Corn condition is rated 3 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 5 percent excellent. Soybean planting made good progress to 53 percent complete, which lags last year by 3 days but is 6 days ahead of the normal pace of 41 percent. Emergence is at 18 percent, has been slow due to cool, overcast conditions, and is 5 days behind last year and slightly behind the normal pace. Sorghum planting is at 63 percent, about the same as last year but 1 week ahead of normal. In the Bootheel, rice planting is 97 percent complete, slightly behind last year but 9 days ahead of normal. Emergence is at 92 percent, 6 days ahead of last year and 11 days ahead of the 5-year average. Condition of the crop is 6 percent poor, 30 percent fair, 51 percent good, and 13 percent excellent. Cotton producers planted at a torrid pace during the week, advancing to 80 percent complete versus 53 percent last week. However, it is still 11 days behind last year and 2 days behind normal. Significant replanting has also been necessary, as wet soils have hampered stand development. The condition of the crop declined from last week to 1 percent very poor, 33 percent poor, 41 percent fair, 21 percent good, and 4 percent excellent. Wheat condition is rated 6 percent very poor, 11 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Heading is 98 percent complete, at least 10 days ahead of both last year and the 5-year average, while 23 percent is turning color, 3 days ahead of normal. While other crops need rain, wheat in some areas needs warm, dry weather to avoid rust development. The first cutting of alfalfa is 41 percent complete, while other hay is 18 percent cut, both about even with last year and a few days ahead of normal. **Pasture & Livestock** : Pasture condition is rated 5 percent very poor, 14 percent poor, 43 percent fair, 34 percent good, and 4 percent excellent.