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## MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 32,842; Week ago 27,562; Year ago 32,956  
 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
358 lbs.	149.58	347 lbs.	134.50	357 lbs.	119.60
462 lbs.	138.10	454 lbs.	128.79	455 lbs.	107.03
557 lbs.	130.24	553 lbs.	121.09	549 lbs.	100.31
656 lbs.	123.23	644 lbs.	114.21	667 lbs.	91.73
734 lbs.	116.13	745 lbs.	104.62	767 lbs.	90.64
844 lbs.	113.14	840 lbs.	96.77	852 lbs.	87.05
915 lbs.	106.20	964 lbs.	86.10	933 lbs.	83.97

## SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts: 7000; Week ago 7589; Year ago 7224  
 Compared to last week, steers and heifers steady to 2.00 higher, 250 to 400 lbs 3.00 to 5.00 lower, Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 2.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
350-400 lbs.	137.00-150.00	300-400 lbs.	130.00-140.00
400-500 lbs.	129.00-138.00	400-500 lbs.	114.00-126.50
500-600 lbs.	117.50-129.00	500-600 lbs.	112.00-120.00
600-700 lbs.	111.50-120.00	600-650 lbs.	107.00-119.00
700-800 lbs.	105.00-113.00	650-700 lbs.	104.00-107.50
		700-750 lbs.	103.00-106.00
		825-890 lbs.	94.00-98.50

### Large 3 Holsteins

414 -484 lbs.	104.00-114.00
540 lbs.	103.50
680 lbs.	90.00
755-810 lbs.	87.00-91.75
900-935 lbs.	80.00-84.25

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-1900 lbs, 60.00-66.00, High dressing 66.50-70.50, Low dressing 58.00-58.50

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2 Scarce

### SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 48.00-54.00, high dressing 51.00-57.50. Lean (85-90%) 44.00-49.00, low dressing 35.00-43.00.

### REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 4 to 7 yrs few higher quality short solid, 1160-1350 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage 820.00-950.00 per head, some 2 to 4 yrs 1025-1340 2nd and 3rd stage 890.00-1000.00 per head. Other ss 1080-1335 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage 685.00-800.00 per head.

## SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 13,693; week ago 7800; year ago 15,925  
 Cow and Bull Receipts 1769; week ago 1669; year ago 1351  
 Dairy Cattle Receipts 864, (Norwood 6/08/06)  
 Compared to last week, feeder steers and heifers under 500 lbs 2.00-4.00 higher, over 500 lbs 2.00-4.00 higher, Holsteins 3.00-5.00 higher. Those sold at special wean-vac sale considerably higher with no recent comparisons. Slaughter cows 1.00 higher, bulls steady to 1.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	139.00-165.00	300-400 lbs.	129.00-142.00
400-500 lbs.	125.00-142.50	400-500 lbs.	120.00-132.00
500-600 lbs.	120.00-137.00	500-600 lbs.	110.00-130.50
600-700 lbs.	114.50-133.50	600-700 lbs.	104.00-122.50
700-800 lbs.	105.50-123.25	700-800 lbs.	100.00-108.50
800-900 lbs.	102.00-110.75	800-900 lbs.	92.00-96.00
900-1000 lbs.	104.00-104.60	900-1000 lbs.	86.10

### HOLSTEINS:

Large Frame 3	
200-300 lbs.	Scarce
300-400 lbs.	110.00-124.00
400-500 lbs.	103.50-110.00
500-600 lbs.	90.00-110.00
600-700 lbs.	90.00-95.00
700-800 lbs.	90.00-90.75
800-900 lbs.	85.50-90.00
900-1000 lbs.	Scarce

### REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 1010-1345 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage, 660.00-885.00, more attractive mostly blacks 925.00-1150.00 per head

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 1035-1345 lbs. with 100 to 400 lb calves, 915.00-1180.00 per pair.

### Dairy Cattle Sales

Springer Heifers: Supreme 1700.00-1880.00, Approved 1300.00-1600.00, Medium 950.00-1275.00, Bred 4-6 months: Supreme 1670.00-1875.00, Approved 1375.00-1625.00. Open Heifers: Approved 700-800 lbs 1150.00-1350.00, 600-700 lbs 1025.00-1180.00, 500-600 lbs 1000.00-1060.00, 400-500 lbs 960.00-1060.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 485.00-570.00. Holstein Bulls 200.00-275.00.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 46.00-52.50, high dressing 50.50-57.50 Lean (85-90%) 42.00-47.00, low dressing 34.00-43.50

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1235-2380 lbs 59.00-65.00; high dressing 64.50-71.00, low dressing 52.00-59.00.

## INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 9946, Week ago 9684; Year ago 5951  
 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts steady to 1.00 lower. Sows 2.00 to 3.00 higher.

**BARROWS AND GILTS:**  
 Base carcass meat price 72.00-73.00  
 Weekly top Thursday 77.00

**SOWS:**  
 300-500 lbs 31.00-35.00  
 Over 500 lbs 35.00-38.00

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**WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Sedalia, Kingsville)

Receipts 1501; Week ago 1598; Year ago 1946

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers under 500 lbs steady on a light test, over 500 lbs firm to 6.00 higher. Slaughter cows 1.00 to 3.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1&amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs	137.50-160.00
400-500 lbs.	127.00-148.00
500-600 lbs.	120.00-142.50
600-700 lbs.	110.00-132.00
700-800 lbs.	104.60-116.50
Pkg 908 lbs.	103.50

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs.	124.00-140.00
400-500 lbs.	115.00-133.00
500-600 lbs.	108.00-129.75
600-700 lbs.	107.00-123.75
700-750 lbs.	103.25-108.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2-7 yrs, 1080-1300 lbs, 2nd to 3rd stage 775.00-960.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 45.25-52.75, High dressing 51.75-58.50, Lean (85-90%) 44.25-50.00, Low dressing 38.00-46.00COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 3-5 yrs, 1125-1500 lbs with 120 to 210 lb calves 1000.00-1200.00 per pair.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1340-1815 lbs 59.00-63.75, high dressing 66.00-69.00, low dressing 57.00.**EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville)

Receipts: 2421, Week ago 4126, Year ago 2313

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

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1&amp; 1-2

350-400 lbs.	138.00-150.00
400-500 lbs.	125.00-140.00
500-600 lbs.	120.00-134.00
600-700 lbs.	113.00-129.00
700-800 lbs.	105.00-116.50
Lot 855 lbs.	108.60
Load 925 lbs	105.85

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

350-400 lbs.	125.00-138.00
400-500 lbs.	118.00-132.00
500-600 lbs.	112.00-129.00
600-700 lbs	105.00-123.50
700-800 lbs.	Scarce

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Select and Choice 2-3 80.00-83.50SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 43.00-53.00, high dressing 50.00-60.00, low dressing 38.00-48.00SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: High Select and Choice 2-3 77.50-82.00SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1300-2100 lbs, 58.00-67.00, high dressing 67.00-68.25**NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Palmyra, Green City, New Cambria)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 4682; week ago 194; year ago 1400

Slaughter Cattle Receipts 24; week ago 81; year ago 59

Feeder steers under 600 lbs firm-3.00 higher, over 600 lbs 3.00-5.00 higher with instances of 10.00 higher. Heifers 2.00-4.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady, Slaughter steers and heifers 2.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	149.50-158.00
400-500 lbs.	147.25-152.50
500-600 lbs.	132.00-144.00
600-700 lbs.	121.00-141.50
700-800 lbs.	116.10-125.00
800-900 lbs.	106.85-117.40
900-950 lbs.	106.00-111.75

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	Scarce
400-500 lbs.	129.00-142.00
500-600 lbs.	123.00-137.00
600-700 lbs.	111.75-125.25
700-800 lbs.	107.00-113.50
820 lbs.	106.35

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3 1100-1250 lbs. 81.25-81.85SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (75-85% lean) 50.00-56.50, low dressing 45.00-50.00.SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-3 1000-1100 lbs. 78.35SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2300 lbs. 60.25-68.00**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Fruitland, Patton)

Receipts 1252; Week ago 10464; Year ago 1146

Compared to small offerings last week, feeder steers 2.00 to 3.00 higher and heifers steady to 2.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls 2.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

300-350 lbs.	140.00-146.00
350-400 lbs.	128.00-143.00
400-500 lbs.	121.50-140.00
500-600 lbs.	113.00-132.00
600-700 lbs.	104.50-124.00
700-800 lbs.	104.00-109.00
800-825 lbs.	104.50-114.50

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

250-300 lbs.	141.00-147.00
300-400 lbs.	121.00-133.50
400-450 lbs.	118.00-128.00
450-500 lbs.	110.00-125.50
500-600 lbs.	105.50-115.00
600-700 lbs.	95.00-114.50
700-750 lbs.	101.25-115.75
800-825 lbs.	96.50-99.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 8 yrs to ss, 950-1245 lbs, 2nd-3rd stage 500.00-700.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and boning (75-85% lean) 45.50-48.75; high dressing 52.25. Lean 30.25-41.25.COW & CALF PAIRS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2-7 yrs 1025-1310 lbs with 120 to 210 lb calves 930.00-1050.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1595-1930 lbs, 55.75-58.25, high dressing 60.00.**SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts 2527, Week ago 3977, Year ago 3435

Compared to last week steers and heifers 1.00 to 5.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

325-350 lbs.	156.50-164.00
430-460 lbs.	135.50-141.50
500-600 lbs.	124.50-135.50
600-700 lbs.	118.00-138.00
700-800 lbs.	107.50-127.25
800-820 lbs.	108.00-111.50

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs.	130.00-138.00
400-500 lbs.	123.00-141.00
500-600 lbs.	114.00-133.50
600-700 lbs.	105.25-118.00
700-750 lbs.	101.50-113.00

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 3 to 7 yrs 1150-1350 lbs 2nd to 3rd stage 860.00-1000.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 45.00-52.50, Lean (85-90%) 41.00-47.50, low dressing 33.00-42.75.COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 3 yrs to short solid, 850-1175 lbs, with 150-225 lb calves 1000.00-1175.00 per pair.SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2150 lbs. 57.50-63.75**MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT  
SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT**

Weekly Receipts 400; Week ago 400; Year ago 1200

Compared to last week, trade very slow, Live sales steady to 1.00 lower, and dressed sales on grid basis poorly tested. Demand and seller interest light to moderate.

STEERS: 50-70% Choice 1200-1300 lbs 79.00-80.00 late last Friday.STEERS AND HEIFERS: Carcass sales: No SalesHEIFERS: no sales reportedGRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid): Choice 3 550-950 lbs 136.00 late last Friday.

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

Receipts: 9330  
Compared to last week, weaner pigs mostly steady to 1.00 higher and feeder pigs not tested.  
All pig prices based on a delivered basis including freight and fees.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights  
Delivered 90% formulated  
9330 head 10 lbs 30.27-34.23, weighted average 10 lbs 32.70

Feeder pigs 40-50 base weights  
Delivered 0 % formulated  
None reported

**MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW**

Slaughter Receipts: 45,000; Week ago 44,000; Year ago 48,000

Slaughter Lambs 1.00 higher      Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good  
Slaughter Ewes Steady      1-3 30.00-40.00, Cull 1 20.00-  
Feeder Lambs Steady-10.00 lower 30.00.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and      Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large  
Prime 2-3 110-140 new crop      1-2 50-70 lbs new crop 105.00-  
95.00-98.00      120.00, 70-90 lbs 90.00-105.00.

**Missouri Weekly Hay Summary**

Farmers had another week of good weather for harvest but all areas of the state are looking forward to getting some rain even if it means getting a few acres of hay wet. Although yields aren't what we would like to see Missouri seems to be in much better shape than surrounding states, we are once again starting to see some of our hay leave the state most heading in the southwest direction. Hay demand is moderate to light, supply is moderate, and prices steady to firm. 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	708,000	1,827,000	45,000
Last week	704,000	1,814,000	44,000
Last Year	644,000	1,879,000	48,000
2006 yr. to date	15,696,000	48,543,000	1,240,000
2005 yr. to date	15,124,000	48,554,000	1,244,000

**Missouri Regional Fescue Seed Market**

Harvest kicked into high gear since the report last week. Stations in all areas except for the northeast part of the state are at least at what they feel is the midway point for harvest. Some concern about forecasted storms in the next few days that could develop which would bring an abrupt end to stump seed harvest. Areas in the central and south central seem to be having an outstanding harvest with high yields and great seed quality. The southwest is having the toughest time with low yields and low test weights in the fields that were left for seed. Haying and shortage of pastures also took out a good chunk of acres for harvest in this area. (Prices per lb.) Southwest, South Central: 48 wet-50 dry, Northeast, South East: 40-45 wet-45 dry, Northwest: 46 wet-48 dry Central: 46-48 wet-48-50 dry.

**MIDWEST EGG REVIEW**

Large .09 lower, Medium steady, and Small steady. IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN: Prices paid to producers. (cents per dz.) Large .19-.28, Medium .07-.13, Small .05-.09.

**WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS**

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .19 to .21 lower, Wheat .04 to .08 higher, Corn .05 to .08 lower, KC Wheat .08 to .18 higher, Soybean meal 4.20 to 6.20 lower.

**Daily Grain Futures Closes**

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
<b>Soybeans</b>					
Jul	584 1/2	585 1/4	586 1/4	583	580 1/2
Aug	592	592 1/4	593 1/4	589 1/2	586 1/2
Sep	589 1/4	599 1/4	599 3/4	595	593 1/2
Nov	611	612	612 3/4	608 3/4	606 1/2
Jan	620 3/4	621 1/2	623	619 1/2	616 1/2
<b>Wheat</b>					
Jul	358 1/2	367	372	365 1/2	363 1/4
Sep	376 1/4	384 3/4	389 1/4	382 1/4	381 1/2
Dec	395 1/4	403 3/4	409 1/2	401 3/4	400 1/4
Mar	410 1/2	420	425 1/2	418 1/2	417
May	419 1/2	429	434 1/2	427 1/2	426
<b>Corn</b>					
Jul	229 3/4	229 3/4	232 3/4	230 1/2	228 1/4
Sep	241	241 1/4	244 1/4	241 3/4	239 3/4
Dec	255 3/4	256	259	257	255 1/4
Mar	266 3/4	267 3/4	270 3/4	269	267 1/4
May	274	276 1/2	279 1/2	278	276
<b>KC Wheat</b>					
Jul	461	473	482 1/4	479 1/4	480
Sep	470	482 1/2	491 1/2	487 1/4	488 1/4
Dec	481 1/4	492 1/2	501	495 1/2	493 1/4
Mar	481 1/2	492 3/4	500 1/2	494	491 3/4
Jul	458 1/2	468 3/4	475 1/2	471 3/4	466 1/4
<b>SB Meal</b>					
Jul	177.90	177.30	178.10	176.50	176.50
Aug	178.90	178.20	178.90	177.70	177.70
Sep	179.60	179.20	179.40	178.20	178.00
Oct	180.50	180.00	180.00	178.90	178.40
Dec	183.10	182.70	182.70	181.40	180.40

**WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND**

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .95 to 2.10 higher, Lean Hogs .42 to 2.30 lower, Pork Bellies nearby 1.12 to 1.20 higher, others .45 lower, Feeder Cattle 2.20 to 2.95 higher.

**Daily Futures Closes**

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
<b>Cattle</b>					
Jun	82.52	81.95	81.75	82.62	82.87
Aug	83.90	83.20	83.25	84.57	84.65
Oct	86.65	86.25	86.75	87.87	88.15
Dec	88.00	87.62	87.90	88.87	88.97
Feb	90.30	89.87	90.10	91.10	91.05
<b>Lean Hogs</b>					
Jul	76.92	75.62	74.52	74.87	73.22
Aug	73.42	71.82	70.42	71.47	70.02
Oct	63.42	61.82	60.92	62.02	61.50
Dec	59.22	58.42	57.65	58.22	57.60
Feb	60.47	59.70	59.10	59.10	58.10
<b>Prk Bel</b>					
Jul	98.65	97.02	99.87	99.45	96.77
Aug	94.05	92.52	95.17	94.52	92.25
Feb	85.50	85.65	85.65	84.60	84.60
Mar	85.75	85.90	85.90	84.90	84.85
May	---	---	---	---	---
<b>Fdr Cat</b>					
Aug	113.20	112.75	113.20	114.85	115.15
Sep	113.00	112.32	112.90	114.57	114.92
Oct	111.27	111.17	111.65	113.50	113.45
Nov	110.50	110.50	110.80	112.42	112.75
Jan	106.50	106.40	106.50	108.50	108.35
<b>Milk</b>					
Jun	11.26	11.26	11.26	11.26	11.29
Jul	11.37	11.35	11.26	11.20	11.23
Aug	11.85	11.81	11.71	11.67	11.74

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**MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS**

Soybeans .14 to .19 lower  
 Wheat .04 to .27 higher  
 Corn .02 to .11 lower  
 Grain Sorghum .08 to .13 lower

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soy-bean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
<b>Kansas City</b>				
Monday	5.70	3.66	2.07-2.09	3.66
Tuesday	5.70	3.78	2.07-2.09	3.66
Wednesday	5.71	3.87	2.10-2.12	3.71
Thursday	5.68	3.84	2.08-2.10	3.68
Friday	5.66	3.85	2.05-2.07	3.63
<b>St. Louis</b>				
Monday	5.82-5.85	3.25	2.38	4.80
Tuesday	5.83-5.88	3.32	2.38	4.80
Wednesday	5.84-5.89	3.37	2.41	4.85
Thursday	5.81-5.84	3.32	2.39	4.82
Friday	5.79-5.82	3.29	2.35-3.38	4.78
<b>Central</b>				
Monday	5.43-5.50	3.07-3.19	1.95-1.98	3.17
Tuesday	5.47-5.50	3.27	1.98	3.17
Wednesday	5.44-5.54	3.15-3.32	2.01-2.20	3.23-4.10
Thursday	5.43-5.51	3.10-3.41	1.99-2.25	3.26-4.10
Friday	5.43-5.49	3.23-3.43	1.96-2.00	3.21
<b>S.E. MO</b>				
Monday	5.74-5.77	3.17-3.22	2.24-2.31	4.25-4.64
Tuesday	5.78-5.82	3.24-3.31	2.24-2.31	4.25-4.64
Wednesday	5.79-5.83	3.32-3.38	2.29-2.35	4.30-4.69
Thursday	5.75-5.80	3.29	2.27-2.32	4.41-4.64
Friday	5.73-5.77	3.26-3.32	2.24-2.30	4.21-4.64

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

Farmers took advantage of mostly dry weather to harvest wheat and cut hay. Southern areas also saw progress in harvesting fescue seed. Pockets of dryness are developing in a few areas as a result of spotty rainfall. Top-soil moisture deteriorated somewhat to 10 percent very short, 33 percent short, 55 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus, as the western and east-central districts registered substantial declines in the adequate to surplus categories. In general, however, spring crops remain in fair to good condition, developing well in warm, sunny weather and receiving just enough rain to maintain good plant health. There were 6.0 days suitable for field-work. **Field Crops Report:** Corn condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 10 percent excellent, nearly identical to last week. Corn silked is at 9 percent, 5 days ahead of normal. The southwest district, where 47 percent of the crop is silked, is well ahead of other districts, while the northwest and northeast districts have yet to begin silking. **Soybean** planting is 95 percent complete, about even with last year but 11 days ahead of normal. Emergence is at 86 percent, 5 days behind last year but 8 days ahead of normal. Condition of the crop is very similar to last week at 1 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 32 percent fair, 54 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. **Sorghum** planting is nearly complete at 97 percent, while heading has just begun. Condition of sorghum is rated 3 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 63 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Hot temperatures and weekend rains in the Bootheel greatly benefited the rice and cotton crops. **Rice** condition improved to 1 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 62 percent good, and 12 percent excellent. **Winter wheat** harvest progressed rapidly to 63 percent complete, a week ahead of last year and the normal pace. Condition of the crop is 9 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 47 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. The second growth of **alfalfa** is 30 percent cut, 2 days ahead of last year and 6 days ahead of normal. **Other hay** is 74 percent cut, 5 days ahead of last year and 9 days ahead of normal. **Pasture & Livestock:** Pasture condition declined slightly from last week to 10 percent very poor, 22 percent poor, 40 percent fair, 27 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. The livestock water supply situation remains marginal to critical in most areas. Recent rains have maintained what supply is available, but have failed to raise pond and stream levels. Rainfall averaged 0.55 inches State-wide. Reporters continue to emphasize the scattered nature of recent rainfall, with considerable variability even within counties.