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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 26,578; Week ago 28,734; Year ago 21,825
 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
367 lbs.	151.39	363 lbs.	136.86	356 lbs.	112.21
452 lbs.	141.22	450 lbs.	127.24	454 lbs.	107.95
550 lbs.	130.60	546 lbs.	122.04	568 lbs.	102.94
651 lbs.	126.37	646 lbs.	118.40	639 lbs.	92.50
764 lbs.	117.84	753 lbs.	108.32	738 lbs.	89.12
832 lbs.	114.98	876 lbs.	103.38	989 lbs.	84.50
936 lbs.	108.73				

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts: 5400; Week ago 4916; Year ago 5255
 Compared to last week, steers and heifers steady to 2.00 higher, with 350 to 450 lbs 2.00 to 4.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher and bulls 1.00 to 3.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	144.50-157.50	300-400 lbs.	125.00-139.00
400-500 lbs.	132.00-152.50	400-500 lbs.	117.50-130.00
500-600 lbs.	124.00-142.00	500-600 lbs.	114.00-124.00
600-700 lbs.	110.00-131.50	600-700 lbs.	107.00-116.00
700-800 lbs.	108.50-112.50	700-800 lbs.	105.50-110.00
800-900 lbs.	107.25-114.50	Pkg 890 lbs.	101.50

Large 3 Holsteins		SLAUGHTER COWS:
380-390 lbs.	107.50-115.00	Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 46.00-53.50, high dressing 50.00-56.50. Lean (85-90%) 43.00-48.50, low dressing 33.00-40.50.
535-565 lbs.	90.00-100.00	
Lot 620 lbs.	94.50	

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1450-2050 lbs 58.00-64.50, high dressing 66.00-69.50 low dressing 53.50-56.00

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 5 yrs to ss 930-1350 lbs with 150-300 lbs calves 980.00-1150.00 per pair.

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 3 to 7 yrs 1060-1500 lbs 3rd stage 800.00-950.00 per head, lot 12 head 6-7 yrs 1335 lbs 1050.00 per head several 2nd stage 750.00-860.00 per head, couple drafts black 900.00-930.00 per head, Large draft ss blacks 1200 lbs 1st and 2nd stage 875.00 per head.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 8200; week ago 9225; year ago 7220
 Cow and Bull Receipts 2052; week ago 2263; year ago 1480
 Compared to last week, steers and Holstein steers steady to 2.00 higher, and heifers steady to 3.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower, Bulls steady to 1.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	144.00-163.00	300-400 lbs.	132.00-142.00
400-500 lbs.	130.00-154.00	400-500 lbs.	118.00-136.00
500-600 lbs.	121.00-140.50	500-600 lbs.	116.00-126.50
600-700 lbs.	116.00-130.50	600-700 lbs.	108.50-118.00
700-800 lbs.	111.00-118.50	700-800 lbs.	106.50-111.00
800-900 lbs.	Scarce	800-900 lbs.	102.25-105.50

HOLSTEINS:	SLAUGHTER COWS:
Large Frame 3	Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 47.00-55.00, high dressing 51.00-57.50 Lean (85-90%) 42.00-47.00, low dressing 33.00-44.00
200-300 lbs.	127.00-134.00
300-400 lbs.	95.00-131.00
400-500 lbs.	103.00-112.00
500-600 lbs.	98.00-107.50
600-700 lbs.	85.00-101.00
700-800 lbs.	84.00-95.00
900-1000 lbs.	84.50

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 1000-1370 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage 625.00-875.00, several blacks, reds, 900.00-1025.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1275-2220 lbs 56.50-63.00; high dressing 62.00-69.00, low dressing 50.00-58.50.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss 985-1300 lbs. with 100to 375 lb calves, some rebred 950.00-1350.00 per pair.

NORTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (St. Joe, Maryville)

Receipts: 1000, Week ago 800, Year ago 1150
 Compared to last weeks sharply higher market, all weights of feeder steers and heifers fully steady. Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 1.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:		FEEDER HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
400-500 lbs.	139.00-148.00	400-500 lbs.	128.00-140.50
600-700 lbs.	130.75-140.00	500-600 lbs.	123.00-133.50
700-800 lbs.	124.00-125.50	600-700 lbs.	121.50-127.00
800-900 lbs.	111.00-113.50	700-800 lbs.	105.00-109.50
900-1000 lbs.	106.25-107.25	800-900 lbs.	100.00-109.75

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss 1090-1350 lbs mixed quality 3rd stage 900.00-925.00 per head

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 48.00-52.00, high dressing 51.50-54.00, Lean (85-90%) 41.00-46.00, high dressing 47.00-50.00.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1, Scarce

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1485-2090 lbs. 58.00-62.00, high dressing 64.00.

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WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Sedalia, Kingsville, Passaic)

Receipts 3433; Week ago 4703; Year ago 1705

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers under 650 lbs .05 lower to 8.00 higher, heavier weights steady to 3.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher5.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1& 1-2

300-400 lbs.	134.50-162.00
400-500 lbs.	125.00-154.00
500-600 lbs.	119.50-140.00
600-700 lbs.	112.00-136.75
700-800 lbs.	110.00-120.00
800-900 lbs.	111.75-113.25

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	126.00-146.00
400-500 lbs.	116.00-141.50
500-600 lbs.	112.00-130.00
600-700 lbs.	110.00-125.00
700-800 lbs.	105.00-113.75
800-900 lbs.	104.50-108.75

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs, 845-1475 lbs, 2nd to 3rd stage 780.00-910.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 44.00-52.75, High dressing 49.00-57.25, Lean (85-90%) 45.00-49.00, Low dressing 37.50-44.25.

COW & CALF PAIRS:

Medium and Large 1-2, few 2 yrs, 900-1050 lbs with baby calves 1075.00-1250.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2, 1155-2175 lbs 57.25-64.25, high dressing 64.75-67.00, low dressing 55.00-56.25.

EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville)

Receipts: 3276, Week ago 3103, Year ago 2748

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

Slaughter cows steady.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1& 1-2

300-400 lbs.	137.00-168.00
400-500 lbs.	128.00-156.00
500-600 lbs.	125.00-143.00
600-700 lbs.	120.50-134.50
700-800 lbs.	115.50-126.00
800-900 lbs.	114.85-115.50

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	130.50-141.50
400-500 lbs.	120.00-138.50
500-600 lbs.	117.00-131.50
600-700 lbs.	112.00-126.75
700-800 lbs.	107.25-116.75

SLAUGHTER STEERS:

Pkg. Choice 2-3 89.00

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 42.00-52.00, high dressing 50.00-55.00, low dressing 35.00-45.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:

High Select and Choice 2-3 84.00-87.25.

SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2200 lbs, 55.00-62.00, high dressing 62.25-64.25.

NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Palmyra, Green City, New Cambria, Macon)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 1579; week ago 1293; year ago 1611

Slaughter Cattle Receipts 140; week ago 189; year ago 120

Feeder steers and heifers steady to firm on light test. Slaughter cows steady, Slaughter steers and heifers .50 to 1.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	150.00-161.00
400-500 lbs.	143.00-156.00
500-600 lbs.	133.00-140.50
600-700 lbs.	125.00-130.25
700-800 lbs.	116.00-123.10
800-900 lbs.	111.85-120.00

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1&1-2

300-400 lbs.	137.50-143.00
400-500 lbs.	126.00-139.00
500-600 lbs.	119.00-130.00
600-700 lbs.	116.00-123.50
700-800 lbs.	113.75-117.60
800-900 lbs.	scarce

SLAUGHTER STEERS:

Choice 2-3 1050-1400 lbs. 86.00-88.00

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (75-85% lean) 47.25-53.75, low dressing 43.75-47.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:

Choice 2-3 1000-1300 lbs. 83.50-85.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2150 lbs. 57.50-63.00.

COW & CALF PAIRS:

Medium and Large 1-2, Scarce

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, Scarce

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Fruitland, Patton)

Receipts 1418; Week ago 1192; Year ago 1169

Compared to last week, steers and heifers under 500 lbs steady to 4.00 lower, over 500 lbs 2.00 to 7.00 higher. Slaughter cows 2.00 lower, and bulls steady.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

200-300 lbs.	148.00-159.00
300-400 lbs.	131.00-145.00
400-500 lbs.	120.00-132.00
500-600 lbs.	114.50-134.50
600-700 lbs.	112.00-126.50

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1-2

300-400 lbs.	116.00-128.50
400-500 lbs.	110.00-120.00
500-600 lbs.	105.50-116.00
600-700 lbs.	101.00-113.50
700-800 lbs.	100.00-108.75

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 8 yrs-ss, 980-1410 lbs, 2nd-3rd stage 440.00-750.00 per head.

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and boning (75-85% lean) 44.50-48.50; high dressing 48.75-52.75. Lean 35.00-37.50.

COW & CALF PAIRS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs 995-1240 lbs with 80-230 lbs calves 890.00-950.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2, 1330-1980 lbs, 55.00-58.05, high dressing 60.00-62.00.

SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts: 2676, Week ago 3662, Year ago 2697

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

Slaughter cows steady.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	140.00-160.00
400-500 lbs.	130.00-146.00
500-600 lbs.	124.50-137.00
600-700 lbs.	124.00-136.00
700-800 lbs.	114.00-124.25

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1 & 1-2

300-400 lbs.	125.00-137.00
400-500 lbs.	120.00-129.00
500-600 lbs.	120.00-132.00
600-700 lbs.	112.00-122.00
700-800 lbs.	108.00-117.25

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1 ss 1050-1375 lbs, 2nd stage 630.00-730.00 per head

SLAUGHTER COWS:

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 46.00-52.75, high dressing 53.00-55.00, Lean (85-90%) 41.00-47.50.

COW & CALF PAIRS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 5 to 6 yrs 1000-1250 lbs with 125-250 lbs calves 985.00-1150.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2, 1350-2100 lbs. 58.00-62.00, low dressing 53.00-57.00.

**MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT
SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT**

Weekly Receipts 400; Week ago 400; Year ago 1000

Compared to last week, trade rather slow, No confirmed live sales and dressed sales on grid basis few 3.00 to 5.00 higher. Demand and seller interest moderate.

STEERS:

50-60% Choice 1300

lbs 86.00 late last Friday.

STEERS AND HEIFERS:

Carcass sales: no sales reported

HEIFERS:

No Sales

GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid):

Choice 3 550-950 lbs few 142.00-146.00.

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 8762, Week ago 11,202; Year ago 8515

Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts 3.00 to 6.00 lower. Sows 3.00 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS:

Base carcass meat price 63.00.

Weekly top Monday 67.00

SOWS:

300-500 lbs 32.00-35.00

Over 500 lbs 36.00-38.00

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 13,146
Compared to last week, weaner pigs mostly steady and feeder pigs not tested. Supply and Demand Moderate.
All pig prices based on a delivered basis including freight and fees.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights
Delivered 90% formulated
13,146 head 10 lbs 32.00-36.80, weighted average 10 lbs 33.90

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

MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW

Slaughter Receipts: 48,000; Week ago 47,000; Year ago 48,000

Slaughter Lambs 2.00 to 4.00
higher

Slaughter Ewes Steady to 5.00
higher

Feeder Lambs Steady

Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good
1-3 25.00-35.00, Cull 1 20.00-
25.00.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and
Prime 2-3 woolled 110-125 86.00-
90.00, 125-140 lbs 90.00-92.00,
Shorn 130 lbs 92.00.

Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large
1-2 50-70 lbs 95.00-105.00, 70-90
lbs 85.00-95.00.

Missouri Weekly Hay Summary

Rains finally fell for most in the southern parts of the state as well as continued rains in the north. Farmers are hoping that moisture continues to allow for some fall growth, but some areas possibly burnt past any recovery this fall. Grass types of hay are moving very well. A lot of hay moving out the state to the southwest at prices as high as anyone can remember. Hay supply moderate to light, and demand good. 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 40.00-70.00, 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 50.00-70.00 Wheat straw 1.75-3.00 per small bale. Corn stalks 20.00 per large round bale.

Dairy Cattle Sales

Dairy Cattle Receipts 705, (Springfield 8/22/06)

Springer Heifers: Supreme 1700.00-1950.00, regtr ind 2200.00, Approved 1600.00-1700.00, Medium 1125.00-1485.00, Bred 4-6 months: Supreme 1700.00-1860.00, Approved 1540.00-1675.00. Open Heifers: Approved lot 6 head 806 lbs 1280.00, 600-700 lbs 1100.00-1150.00, 500-600 lbs 900.00-1100.00 400-500 lbs 860.00-970.00, 300-400 lbs 920.00-930.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 375.00-460.00, small 290.00-350.00, Holstein Bulls 125.00-195.00, Jersey Heifers 350.00-360.00.

Oregon County Goat and Sheep Market

(Koshkonong 08/26/2006)

Receipts: 314 Last Month: 277 Year Ago: 227

Compared to the last market date of July 29, classes and grades of kid goats present at this sale were steady to 5.00 lower with the previous market. Does were steady and bucks were 5.00 higher. Sheep not tested. Demand and supply moderate. All sheep and goats graded by MO Dept of Ag-USDA Graders and bought per cwt. **Goats** Slaughter Classes: **Kids:** Selection 1 45-60 lbs 105.00; 61-80 lbs 100.00. Selection 2 45-60 lbs 100.00; 61-80 lbs 95.00. Selection 1-2 81 lbs and up 75.00. Selection 3 45-60 lbs 90.00. Feeder Kids all grades 20-44 lbs 85.00. Slaughter Does/Nannies: all grades yearlings 65.00, Selection 1-2 40.00-50.00, Selection 3 40.00 per cwt. Slaughter Bucks all grades yearling 75.00, Selection 1-2 106 lbs and up 60.00. **Sheep** Slaughter Lambs: Choice 2-3 Woolled 110-140 lbs 80.00. Feeder Lambs: not tested. Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good 1-3 30.00 per cwt. Slaughter Rams: Not tested. (all prices per cwt.)

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .04 to .05 lower, Wheat .20 to .23 higher, Corn .04 to .05 higher, KC Wheat .12 to .21 higher, Soybean meal 1.90 to 2.90 lower.

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Soybeans					
Sep	537 3/4	537	542	542 1/4	538 1/2
Nov	552	551	555 3/4	555 3/4	551 1/2
Jan	564 3/4	563 3/4	569	569 1/4	564 3/4
Mar	575 1/4	575 1/4	580 3/4	580	576 1/4
May	585 1/2	585	590 1/2	591	587 1/2
Wheat					
Sep	384 3/4	380 1/2	397 1/2	404	401 1/4
Dec	404 1/4	400 3/4	416 1/2	422 1/4	419 1/2
Mar	424	419 1/2	436 1/2	439	439
May	432	428	443 1/2	449 1/4	446
Jul	437 1/4	433 1/2	449	455	451
Corn					
Sep	224 1/2	222 3/4	228 1/2	232	230
Dec	241	238 3/4	244 3/4	248	245 3/4
Mar	255 3/4	253 1/2	259 1/4	262 3/4	260 1/2
May	265 1/4	263	269	272	270 1/4
Jul	274 1/2	272 1/4	278 1/4	281 1/2	279 1/4
KC Wheat					
Sep	462	460 1/4	469 3/4	475 3/4	470
Dec	475	473 1/2	486 3/4	492 1/4	485
Mar	480 3/4	478 1/2	491	495 1/4	492
May	475	474	484	489	483
Jul	451	447 1/2	462 1/2	467 1/2	464 1/4
SB Meal					
Aug	158.90	158.30	158.00	157.20	157.60
Sep	159.60	159.30	159.30	158.70	159.10
Oct	161.70	161.70	161.60	161.40	161.40
Dec	162.80	163.00	163.30	162.70	153.10
Jan	165.50	165.90	166.20	165.90	166.00

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .33 to 1.40 higher, Lean Hogs 1.68 to 2.33 higher. Pork Bellies others 2.70 to 4.60 higher, Feeder Cattle .13 to .95 higher.

Daily Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Cattle					
Aug	89.32	89.40	89.87	90.22	—
Oct	92.50	92.52	92.92	93.12	93.35
Dec	92.27	92.42	92.90	92.75	93.15
Feb	92.57	92.47	92.67	92.45	92.45
Apr	90.85	90.87	91.00	90.87	90.97
Lean Hogs					
Oct	65.40	65.37	66.60	66.90	66.55
Dec	62.75	62.70	63.90	63.70	64.35
Feb	62.47	62.35	63.75	63.67	63.97
Apr	62.45	62.20	63.45	63.55	63.75
May	65.55	65.47	66.45	66.47	66.70
Prk Bel					
Aug	87.25	—	—	—	—
Feb	88.57	87.75	90.75	91.50	93.10
Mar	88.40	87.50	90.50	91.25	92.00
May	90.30	89.80	92.50	93.20	93.50
Jul	—	—	—	—	—
Fdr Cat					
Aug	117.02	117.17	117.10	116.95	—
Sep	116.90	116.87	116.85	116.37	116.55
Oct	117.62	117.45	117.15	116.50	116.32
Nov	117.57	117.37	117.12	116.32	116.67
Jan	113.85	113.77	114.05	113.42	113.37
Milk					
Aug	11.05	11.06	11.06	11.05	—
Sep	12.53	12.46	12.57	12.55	12.35
Oct	12.91	12.80	12.96	12.94	12.75

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .06 lower to .01 higher
Wheat .06 higher
Corn .03 to .06 higher
Grain Sorghum .07 higher

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
Kansas City				
Monday	5.16	3.27	2.09	3.68
Tuesday	5.15	3.25	2.07	3.64
Wednesday	5.18	3.35	2.13	3.75
Thursday	5.20	3.56	2.16	3.80
Friday	5.15	3.30	2.15	3.76
St. Louis				
Monday	5.27-5.33	3.43	2.26-2.28	4.26
Tuesday	5.27-5.32	3.39	2.26-2.27	4.26
Wednesday	5.27-5.32	3.39	2.26-2.27	4.26
Thursday	5.33-5.39	3.64	2.24-2.39	4.51
Friday	5.34	n/a	2.21	n/a
Central				
Monday	4.87-4.91	3.14-3.30	2.01-2.06	3.28
Tuesday	4.86-4.96	3.10-3.26	1.99-2.04	3.25
Wednesday	4.91-5.01	3.05-3.43	2.05-2.15	3.37-3.48
Thursday	4.91-5.01	3.10-3.49	2.08-2.20	3.53-3.57
Friday	4.89-4.97	3.15-3.46	2.11-2.20	3.50-3.57
S.E. MO				
Monday	5.11-5.32	3.34-3.36	2.17-2.24	4.03-4.23
Tuesday	5.17-5.30	3.34-3.35	2.19-2.22	3.98-4.23
Wednesday	5.24-5.37	3.54-3.56	2.23-2.31	4.12-4.37
Thursday	5.24-5.37	3.54-3.57	2.28-2.34	4.26-4.37
Friday	5.21-5.34	3.57-3.59	2.26-2.33	4.23-4.48

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

Moderate temperatures and soaking rain nearly statewide improved soybean conditions and perked up dormant pastures, while early corn harvest saw mixed yield reports. Topsoil moisture supplies improved substantially from last week to 17 percent very short, 28 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Several districts showed dramatic improvements, although the southwest and east-central districts were helped only marginally. Most areas are still in need of rain to boost subsoil moisture and refill creeks and ponds. There were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork. **Field Crops Report:** Ninety percent of the **corn** crop is dented, which is 3 days ahead of last year and 8 days ahead of normal. Fifty-two percent is mature, 1 day ahead of last year and 4 days ahead of the 5-year average of 38 percent. Harvest is 9 percent complete, 4 days ahead of both last year and normal. Harvest has advanced rapidly in west-central and southwestern areas due to rapid dry-down. Reporters in those areas are seeing variable yields, with some of the poorest areas less drought-damaged than expected. Northern districts are maturing near the normal pace, with the bulk of their harvest starting later in September. Corn condition is rated 6 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 40 percent good, and 6 percent excellent, nearly the same as last week. **Soybean** pod set is at 93 percent, about even with last year but 4 days ahead of average. Soybeans turning color is at 9 percent, 2 days behind both last year and normal, while 2 percent are dropping leaves. Condition of the bean crop rates 8 percent very poor, 19 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 34 percent good, and 6 percent excellent, an improvement of 6 points over last week in good to excellent and 10 points better than last year at this time. There were reports of isolated problems, including sudden death syndrome in Marion County, spots of dead plants and defoliation due to dryness in Dade County, and heavy flights of pod worm moths in the Bootheel. Sorghum heading is virtually complete, while 73 percent is turning color, 2 days ahead of last year and 5 days ahead of normal. **Sorghum** mature is at 19 percent, about 3 days ahead of both last year and normal. Sorghum condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 45 percent fair, 42 percent good, and 4 percent excellent. Producers with **alfalfa** left to cut were mainly doing spot cutting of fields.