# Weekly Market Summary

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#### MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTEDAVERAGE REPORT

Receipts: 23,010 Week ago: 25,602 Year ago: 22,730 Steers and Heifers Medium and Large 1—Weighted average weights and prices

#### STEERS: Medium and Large 1

285 lbs. 182.12 473 lbs. 180.56	672 lbs. 148.37	858 lbs. 123.54	277 lbs. 154.41	474 lbs. 152.79	675 lbs. 131.00	864 lbs. 116.86
328 lbs. 190.25 527 lbs. 178.24	730 lbs. 142.67	911 lbs. 122.00	329 lbs. 157.52	522 lbs. 152.94	720 lbs. 123.36	
378 lbs. 192.53 573 lbs. 165.29	778 lbs. 134.88		378 lbs. 154.14	572 lbs. 144.32	761 lbs. 119.98	
421 lbs. 184.98 626 lbs. 156.45	814 lbs. 132.77		427 lbs. 155.66	624 lbs. 137.09	833 lbs. 111.84	

#### Missouri Stocker Formula for 03/06/2020

Friday's **Missouri Stocker Formula** consists of **4022 head** with a weighted average weight of **541.12 lbs**. and a price value of **166.47**, 4.87 higher than last Friday.

This a rolling seven day calculated weighted value which combines all Feeder Steers reported by MDA/USDA Market News Service weighing from 400-649 lbs. in the Medium and Large 1 and Medium and Large 1-2 frame and muscle classifications, including all comment cattle except Brahman X.

#### SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains, Ava)

Receipts: 3655 Week ago: 4397 Year Ago: 4231 Compared to last week, steer and heifer calves 3.00 to 8.00 higher, Yearlings not well tested. Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 2.00 lower.

<u>STEERS:</u>		<u>HEIFERS</u> :		
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1		
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350-400 lbs.	180.00-196.00	300-400 lbs.	150.00-165.00	
400-500 lbs.	169.00-191.00	400-500 lbs.	140.00-156.00	
500-600 lbs.	154.00-177.00	500-600 lbs.	133.00-150.00	
600-700 lbs.	138.00-160.00	600-700 lbs.	122.50-138.00	
700-800 lbs.	128.00-142.00	700-800 lbs.	119.50-123.00	
800-900 lbs.	124.00-127.50			
Holste	ins:	SLAUGHTER C	OWS:	
Large	<del>2</del> 3	Breaking and E	Boning (70-85%	
Č		lean) 51.00-64.0		
Scarce	Scarce	58.50-70.00, low		
		56.00. Lean (8	35-90%) 40.00-	
		54.50	,	

#### SLAUGHTER BULLS:

Yield Grade 1-2 1042-2470 lbs. 78.00-90.00; high dressing 86.00-99.00, low dressing 62.00-77.00

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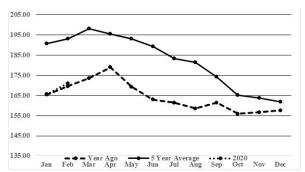
COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 2 2-8 yrs 850-1210 lbs with 150-300 lb calves 1025.00-1175.00 per pair

### REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2 2-8 yrs 856-1485 lbs 2nd to 3rd stage 875.00-1250.00, 1st stage 850.00 -975.00 per head

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#### **Historical Feeder Steers** Medium and Large 1 500-600 lbs. Weighted Average



\*Graph is updated the first Friday of each month.

#### SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)
Feeder Cattle Receipts: 4485 Week Ago: 9343 Year ago: 1586
Cow and Bull Receipts: 1083 Week ago: 1154 Year ago: 664

Compared to last week, steers and heifers unevenly steady. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower. Slaughter bulls steady to 1.00 lower.

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<u>STEERS</u> Medium and l			FERS: and Large 1
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	165.00-188.00 152.00-189.00 134.00-167.00 125.00-146.00	600-700 lbs.	142.00-158.00 131.00-158.50 120.00-138.00 114.00-126.50
HOLSTEI Large 3 Scarce		and Boning (70 61.00, high dres Lean (85-90%) 4 <u>SLAUGHTER I</u> Grade 1-2 1103	<u>3ULLS:</u> Yield 5-2325 lbs 75.00- ssing 85.00-96.00,

Argument Large 1-2 2-8 yrs 1280-1360 lbs rebred 1st stage with 150-300 lbs 2nd to 3rd stage 1175.00-1400.00. lbs rebred 1st stage with 150-300 Medium and Large 1-2 2-8 yrs 1090- lb calves 1525.00-1575.00; 2-8 yrs 1360 lbs 2nd to 3rd stage 900.00- 1080-1225 lbs with baby to 150 lb 1185.00, 1st stage 750.00-900.00 per calves 1000.00-1300.00 per pair head

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium

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WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (Sedalia, Kingsville, Windsor, Butler)
Receipts: 4486 Week ago: 4389 Year ago: 5696

Compared to last week, feeders uneven, calves steady to 5.00 higher and yearlings steady to 8.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 4.00 low-FEEDER STEERS: FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1		Medium a	and Large 1
400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	178.00-199.50 163.00-194.00 137.00-167.00 130.00-151.00 127.00-134.75	500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	154.00-165.00 139.00-160.00 126.00-148.00 118.25-127.50 121.00

<u>SLAUGHTER</u> <u>BULLS:</u> Yield <u>SLAUGHTER COWS:</u> Break-Grade 1-2 1255-2275 lbs 74.50- ing and Boning (70-85% lean) 83.50; high dressing 84.00-89.50; 46.50-65.00, high dressing 55.00 low dressing 57.50-72.50

-73.00. Lean (85-90%) 40.00-

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium COW & CALF PAIRS: Scarce and Large 1-2 8 yrs to short solid mouth 1164-1360 lbs 3rd stage 860.00-1075.00 per head

#### NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Palmyra) Receipts: 2852 Week ago: 5052 Year ago: 3757 Compared to last week, steers and heifers steady to 4.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady.

FEEDER ST Medium and			R HEIFERS: and Large 1
400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	147.50-165.00	500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-750 lbs.	148.00-161.00 137.50-158.00 127.25-145.00 125.00 115.25
BRED COWS: Scar	rce	and Boning, (7	COWS: Breaking 0-85% lean) 54.00-essing 62.50-72.50. 51.00-59.00
SLAUGHTER STE -3 115.00. Select a 108.00-109.50	nd Choice 1-3	Grade 1-2 11	BULLS: Yield 90-2260 lbs 81.00-essing 91.50-99.50; 5.00-76.50

<u>SLAUGHTER HEIFERS</u>: Choice 2-3 118.50. Choice 3-4 112.50-114.75. Select and Choice 1-2 106.50-108.50

#### NORTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Macon, Unionville, Green City, New Cambria)
Receipts: 2003 Week ago: 3088 Year ago: 4670
Compared to last week, steers and heifers mostly steady, heifers under 500 lbs as much as 10.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady.

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1		FEEDER H Medium and		
400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	192.50-209.00 169.50-192.50 151.50-169.00 133.10-152.00	500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	154.00-171.00 149.00-163.25 134.50-145.50 125.00-130.00	
BRED COWS: Scarce		SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (75-85% lean) 52.00-63.50; high dressing 62.00-65.00. Lean (85-90%) 44.00-56.50		
COW & CALF PA	IRS: Scarce	SLAUGHTER E Grade 1-2 1265-2 89.00; few high o 94.00; low dressin	2155 lbs 76.00- dressing 91.50-	

#### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Patton, Farmington)
Receipts: 1065 Week ago: 1267 Year ago: 934
Compared to last week, steers and heifers steady to 8.00 higher.
Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 1.00 higher.

FEEDER STEERS:		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS:</u>		
Medium and	Large 1	Medium and Large 1		
300-400 lbs.	156.00-205.00	300-400 lbs.	130.00-160.00	
400-500 lbs.	155.00-191.00	400-500 lbs.	120.00-164.00	
500-600 lbs.	135.00-171.00	500-600 lbs.	122.00-152.00	
600-700 lbs.	125.00-155.00	600-700 lbs.	122.00-136.00	
700-800 lbs.	123.50-139.50	700-800 lbs.	109.00-118.00	
REPLACEMENT C	COWS: Medium	SLAUGHTER C	OWS: Breaking	
and Large 2 2-8 y				
1st to 3rd stage 62	5.00-950.00 per	-57.50. high d	lressing 49.50-	
head	-	66.50. Lean (85-9	90% lean) 35.00	
		-47.00	,	
COW & CALF PAI	RS: Scarce	SLAUGHTER	BULLS: Yield	
CON CONEIN	<u>res.</u> searce	Grade 1-2 890-		
		75.50; high d		
		87.50; low dressi		
		,		

#### EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts: 1327 Week ago: 814 Year ago: 2531 Compared to last week, steers and heifers near steady. Slaughter cows steady to 3.00 lower.

163.00-191.00 400-500 lbs.

**FEEDER HEIFERS:** 

Medium and Large 1

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151.00-162.50

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

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400-500 lbs.

500-600 lbs.	157.50-185.00	550-600 lbs.	131.00-161.25
600-700 lbs.	141.00-161.00	600-700 lbs.	122.50-129.00
700-750 lbs.	138.00-141.50	Few 700-750	115.00-120.00
800-900 lbs.	116.00-120.00	lbs.	
REPLACEMENT	COWS: Scarce	ing and Boning	COWS: Break-g (70-85% lean) Lean (85-90%)
COW & CALF PA	AIRS: Scarce	Grade 1-2 1340	BULLS: Yield 0-1950 lbs 74.00- sing 58.00-75.00

#### NORTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(St Joseph)

Receipts: 1228 Week Ago: 1351 Year ago: 2512

Compared to last week, feeders under 700 lbs 4.00 to 8.00 higher, over 700 lbs not well tested.

FEEDER STEERS:		FEEDER HEIFERS:		
Medium an	Medium and Large 1		l Large 1	
400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	180.00-199.50 159.50-185.50 142.50-163.50 140.25-144.50	500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	145.50-164.00 144.50-166.50 136.50-145.25 129.50	
	1095-2355 lbs high dressing	SLAUGHTER CO and Boning (75-85 64.00. Lean (85-90)	5% lean) 52.00-	
<u>BRED COWS:</u> S	carce	COW CALF PAIR Large 1-2 2-8 yrs with baby to 150 lb	s 900-1000 lbs	

1100.00 per pair

#### MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT

Weekly Receipts: 280 Week ago: 0 Year ago: 160 Trading this week remains light to inactive as producers are mostly passing lower bids.

LIVE STEERS & HEIFERS: DRESSED STEERS & HEIFERS: 1 load flat 182.00

 $\underline{\text{GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid):}}\ 2$  loads Thu 183.00; 4 loads Thu evening 184.00

## NATIONAL DIRECT DELIVERED FEEDER PIG REPORT 03/06/2020

Supply includes 47% formulated prices.

Early weaned pigs 10-12 lbs basis: Formula 31.94-54.00, weighted average 44.03. Cash 11.00-37.50, weighted average 28.00 Feeder Pigs 40 lbs basis: Cash 54.00-56.00, weighted average 55.48

### WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER 03/07/2020

	Cattle	<u>Hogs</u>	Sheep
Week to Date:	$6\overline{47,000}$	$2,\overline{680,000}$	37,000
Last Week:	627,000	2,556,000	35,000
Last Year:	607,000	2,526,000	38,000

### WHOLESALE FEEDSTUFFS PRICES

(DOLLARS PER TON-BULK BASIS)

Area	Soybean Hulls - Bulk	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	85.00	303.60	300.00	232.50	135.00
St. Louis	N/A	330.50	300.00	N/A	112.50

Springfield Livestock Marketing Center Special Dairy Heifer Sale Report for 02/25/2020 Receipts: 214 Last Month: 377 Last Year: 736

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Springer Heifers bred seven to nine months: Supreme 1000.00-1300.00, Jerseys 1025.00-1385.00, crossbreds 980.00-1150.00. Approved 800.00-990.00, Jerseys 800.00- 975.00, crossbreds 775.00-925.00. Medium 600.00-725.00, Jerseys 700.00-750.00, crossbreds 600.00-650.00. Common few 225.00-375.00, ind crossbred 400.00. Heifers bred three to six months: Supreme few 1035.00-1070.00. Approved 750.00- 985.00, few Jerseys 750.00, ind crossbred 700.00. Medium ind crossbred 550.00. Heifers bred one to three months: Scarce. Open Heifers: Approved: 220-264 lbs 170.00-250.00, ind crossbred 300 lbs 270.00; 340-350 lbs few 200.00-300.00; 400-500 lbs Scarce; 538-590 lbs 380.00-420.00; 686 lbs pkg of 6 570.00; 775-875 lbs few 560.00-580.00/ Medium: 530-565 lbs few 210.00-330.00. Replacement Cows: Fresh and milking cows: Approved 775.00-950.00. Medium 510.00- 685.00, ind Jersey 650.00, few crossbreds 625.00. Common 190.00-475.00, ind Jersey 225.00, crossbreds 150.00-470.00. Bred and Springer Cows: Scarce. Baby Calves: Holstein bulls ind 85.00. Holstein heifers few 75.00-100.00. ind crossbred heifer 140.00

#### Diamond - TS White Sheep and Goat Auction 03/05/20

Receipts: 830 (All prices CWT unless otherwise noted.) SHEEP: Slaughter lambs Wooled and Shorn Choice and Prime 1-3 50-60 lbs 215.00; 60-70 lbs 235.00-245.00; 70-80 lbs 215.00. Choice 1-3 60-70 lbs 185.00-205.00; 70-80 lbs 180.00; 90-100 lbs 169.00-175.00. Good and Choice 1-2 90-100 lbs 120.00-155.00. Hair Choice and Prime 1-3 20-30 lbs 200.00-205.00; 30-40 lbs 205.00-210.00; 40-50 lbs 212.50-220.00; 50-60 lbs 215.00-225.00; 60-70 lbs 235.00-240.00. Choice 1-3 40-70 lbs 200.00-205.00; 80-90 lbs 185.00-195.00; 90-100 lbs 155.00-177.50. Good and Choice 1-2 50-60 lbs 165.00-185.00. Slaughter ewes Good 2-3 115-145 lbs 97.50-120.00; 150-180 lbs 90.00-100.00. Hair Good 2-3 90-100 lbs 110.00-135.00; 100-125 lbs 100.00-117.50; 165-200 lbs 80.00-95.00; 100-135 lbs 75.00-90.00. Bucks 1-2 4 yrs 70-110 lbs with 20-40 lb lambs 80.00-90.00 per head; over 6 years 75.00-90.00 per head. Small and Medium 2 2-4 yrs 80-85 lbs with 20-40 lb lambs 65.00-72.50 per head; over 6 yrs 55.00-60.00 per head. GOATS: Feeder kids Selection 1 40-45 lbs 292.50-305.00. Selection 1-2 30-40 lbs 285.00-305.00; 40-50 lbs 275.00-285.00. Selection 1-2 20-25 lbs 60.00-70.00 per head. Selection 2 pkg 20 lbs 265.00; 30-40 lbs 255.00-260.00, 40-50 lbs 235.00-240.00. Selection 1-2 30-20 lbs 220.00-240.00; 40 lbs 235.00-240.00. Selection 2-3 10-15 lbs 45.00-50.00. Slaughter does Selection 1 50-60 lbs 280.00-305.00; 40-50 lbs 230.00; 60-70 lbs 200.00-217.50. Slaughter does Selection 2 pkg 50 lbs 230.00; 60-70 lbs 200.00-217.50. Slaughter does Selection 1 2 80-90 lbs 135.00-145.00; 100-125.00. Selection 2 80-90 lbs 130.00-142.50; 155-170 lbs 115.00-125.00. Selection 2 80-90 lbs 130.00-145.00; 90-100 lbs 127.50-130.00; 100-150 lbs 115.00-125.00. Selection 3 pkg 58 lbs 157.50. Replacements: Families Selection 3 pkg 58 lbs 157.50. Replacements: Families Selection 1-2 4 yrs 85-110 lbs with baby kids 80.00-95.00 per head. Selection 2-3 2-4 yrs 55-110 lbs with baby kids 80.00-95.00 per head. Selection 2-3 2-4 yrs 55-110 lbs with baby kids 65.00-77.50 per head; over

#### WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans 0.01 to 0.03 lower, Wheat 0.08 to 0.10 lower, Corn 0.04 to 0.10 higher, KC Wheat 0.06 to 0.07 lower, Soybean Meal Mar 2.70 higher, others 0.50 to 1.80 lower.

#### Daily Grain Futures Closes

		ny Grain F	1		1
	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Soybeans Mar May Jul Aug Sep	890 1/2 901 910 3/4 913 3/4 913 3/4	893 903 1/2 913 1/2 916 915 1/2	898 3/4 907 1/4 915 1/4 916 1/2 915	889 897 905 906 1/2 905 3/4	883 1/4 891 1/4 900 901 3/4 901 3/4
Wheat Mar May Jul Sep Dec	526 1/4 523 1/4 524 1/4 530 1/2 541 1/4	528 3/4 527 1/4 527 1/2 533 3/4 544 1/2	521 1/2 518 1/4 519 1/2 526 1/2 538	524 1/4 518 3/4 519 1/2 526 1/2 537 3/4	521 1/4 515 3/4 516 3/4 524 535 1/4
Corn Mar May Jul Sep Dec	374 3/4 375 1/2 378 1/2 376 3/4 380 3/4	381 3/4 381 1/4 383 3/4 380 3/4 384 1/2	387 385 386 1/4 382 385 1/2	384 1/2 381 3/4 383 3/4 380 383 3/4	377 1/4 376 379 1/4 377 1/2 381 1/2
KC Wheat Mar May Jul Sep Dec	451 457 3/4 464 1/4 472 3/4 485 3/4	452 458 1/4 465 473 1/2 486 1/2	446 1/4 453 1/4 460 469 482 1/4	439 1/4 446 1/4 453 1/2 463 476	439 1/4 446 1/4 453 1/2 460 476
SB Meal Mar May Jul Aug Sep	302.20 308.90 313.30 314.20 314.60	303.80 310.10 314.10 314.60 314.50	305.20 308.90 312.80 312.60 312.20	300.40 303.90 308.40 308.40 308.10	301.30 305.10 309.40 309.70 309.60

#### WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last week: Live Cattle 1.18 to 1.82 lower, Lean Hogs 2.35 to 3.65 higher, Feeder Cattle 0.57 to 3.60 lower.

#### Daily Futures Closes

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	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.			
Cattle Apr Jun Aug Oct Dec	110.15 103.97 104.35 109.20 113.87	110.10 103.37 103.55 108.25 112.60	111.27 104.52 104.55 109.47 113.40	108.65 102.65 103.77 108.92 113.00	105.75 100.02 101.07 106.20 113.45			
Lean Hogs Apr May Jun Jul Aug	62.80 68.97 77.02 77.97 77.80	63.55 69.62 78.07 79.47 79.32	64.30 70.60 78.82 80.15 80.12	65.37 71.22 79.37 80.65 80.55	65.92 71.37 79.75 80.95 80.80			
Fdr Cat Mar Apr May Aug Sep	133.72 135.05 135.97 143.77 145.50	133.52 133.77 134.05 141.67 143.12	134.85 135.55 136.42 143.75 145.02	133.62 133.65 134.45 141.82 143.25	130.70 130.05 131.15 138.50 139.92			
Milk Mar Apr May	16.37 16.28 16.38	16.34 16.08 16.28	16.32 16.01 16.26	16.37 16.06 16.37	16.37 16.01 16.28			

#### WESTERN CORNBELT DAILY DIRECT PRIOR DAY HOG REPORTS FOR 03/06/2020

BARROWS AND GILTS:

Base Price weighted average 52.28, 5 day rolling average 50.61

**SOWS**: 3,352 head

300-500 lbs. 14.00-38.00 Over 500 lbs. 20.00-35.00 Postmaster: Send address changes to: Missouri Department of Agriculture P.O. Box 630 Jefferson City, MO 65102 Periodicals postage paid at Jefferson City, Missouri

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#### MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Compared to last Friday, Soybeans  $\,0.03$  lower to 0.10 higher, Wheat 0.07 to 0.13 lower, Corn 0.06 to 0.19 higher, Sorghum 0.14 higher.

Area	#1 Soy- beans	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
Kansas City				
Friday**	8.84-8.94	5.14-5.25	3.80-3.82	6.57
Monday Tuesday	8.90-9.01	5.08-5.23	3.86-3.89	6.69
Wednesday	8.92-9.03	5.12-5.27	3.91-3.95	6.80
Thursday	8.97-9.07	5.03-5.18	3.95-3.99	6.87
Friday	8.87-8.97	5.04-5.19	3.94-3.96	6.82
,	8.81-8.91	5.01-5.16	3.88-3.90	6.71
St. Louis				
Friday**	9.02-9.15	5.59	3.85-3.94	6.91
Monday	9.09-9.20	5.56	3.93-4.02	7.03
Tuesday	9.22-9.25	5.62	4.08	7.16
Wednesday	9.29-9.30	5.54	4.12-4.13	7.26
Thursday	9.18	5.55	4.08-4.09	7.21
Friday	9.12	5.52	4.03-4.04	7.05
Central				
Friday**	8.83-8.59	4.99-5.09	3.66	
Monday	8.71	4.93-5.03	3.75-3.76	
Tuesday	8.73-8.74	4.97-5.07	3.81	
Wednesday	8.77	4.88-4.98	3.85	
Thursday	8.67	4.89-4.98	3.81-3.82	
Friday	8.61	4.89-4.95	3.76	
S.E. MO				
Friday**	8.94-9.11		3.72-3.90	
Monday	9.05-9.24		3.85-4.01	
Tuesday	9.07-9.26		3.90-4.07	
Wednesday	9.24-9.25		4.07-4.11	
Thursday	9.02-9.17		3.91-4.07	
Friday	8.96-9.12	GR SORG P	3.86-4.06	

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT) \*NEW CROP \*\*PREVIOUS WEEK'S PRICES

#### Missouri Weekly Hay Summary 03/06/2020

Spring in the air! Farmers were treated to a week of sunshine and little to no moisture for the first week of March. Robins singing in the morning and peeper frogs at night are a sure sign that a new growing season is quickly upon us. Some farmers are either just getting started or very close to spreading fertilizer. Several new listings of hay this week as producers look to try to move some inventory before new crop hay arrives. There has been some hay moving but overall it has been a pretty slow winter for hay sales. The supply of hay is moderate, demand is light to moderate, and prices are steady. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay directory available for both buyers and sellers. To be listed, or to view the directory visit http://mda.mo.gov/abd/haydirectory/ for listings of hay http://agebb.missouri.edu/haylst/ (All prices f.o.b. and per ton unless specified and on most recent reported sales.

Supreme quality Alfalfa (RFV <185) 180.00-200.00 small squares 7.00-9.00 per bale Premium quality Alfalfa (RFV 170-180) 160.00-180.00 Good quality Alfalfa (RFV 150-170) 120.00-160.00 small squares 5.00-7.00 per bale Fair quality Alfalfa (RFV 130-150) 100.00-125.00

Good quality Mixed Grass hay 80.00-120.00 Small squares 6.00-8.00 per bale (some alfalfa/grass mix) Fair to Good quality Mixed Grass hay 60.00-80.00 small squares 3.00-6.00 per bale Fair quality Mixed Grass hay 35.00-50.00 per large round bale 25.00-40.00 per 4x5 round bale

Good quality Bromegrass 80.00-120.00 Fair to Good quality Bromegrass 50.00-80.00

Wheat hay 40.00-55.00 per large round bale Wheat straw 3.00-6.00 per small square bale