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USDA's Dairy Advisory Committee

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack recently announced that, as part of USDA's continuing efforts to listen and respond to the needs of producers in the dairy industry, he is moving forward on establishing a Dairy Industry Advisory Committee for two years. Once appointed, the Committee will review the issues of farm milk price volatility and dairy farmer profitability and offer suggestions and ideas on how USDA can best address these issues.

Secretary Vilsack will appoint up to 15 representatives of the dairy industry to serve in an advisory capacity on the Committee. Representatives will include: producers and producer organizations, processors and processor organizations, handlers, consumers, academia, retailers, and state agencies involved in organic and non-organic dairy at the local, regional, national and international levels.

Details were published in the August 28 *Federal Register*. More information on the Committee is available at www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/DairyAdvisoryCommittee.



Cheese Prices Down, but Butter Price Up

Prices for cheddar cheese on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) decreased about 6¢ from mid-August to mid-September. The butter price on the CME was up about 3¢ during the period.

The CME barrel price on September 17 was \$1.28 per pound, down 6¢ from August 17, while the 40-pound block price of \$1.30½ was down 5¾¢ from mid-August. The cheese prices were more than 60¢ below year-earlier levels.

The CME butter price on September 17 was \$1.24 per pound, up 2½¢ from August 17. The butter price stayed steady at \$1.17 in late August and early September and rebounded in mid-September. The year-earlier level for the CME butter price was \$1.70, 46¢ above the current level.

The August Federal order Class III price of \$11.20 per cwt. was up \$1.23 from July, but \$6.12 below the August 2008 price.

Pool Summary

- In August, producer milk totaled 2.7 billion pounds, down 269 million pounds from July, but 22 million pounds above August 2008.
- Class I utilization totaled 355 million pounds, down 1.3% from July, but 0.8% above August 2008. Class I usage accounted for 13.4% of producer milk.
- Class III utilization totaled 2.1 billion pounds and accounted for 80% of producer milk.
- The August Producer Price Differential (PPD) is \$0.12 per cwt.
- The Statistical Uniform Price is \$11.32 per cwt., up \$1.02 from July, but \$6.49 below August 2008.
- Market statistics for August are shown on Pages 4 and 5.

August 2009 Producer Milk by Class

	Percent	Product Pounds	Price \$/cwt.
Class I	13.4	355,339,981	11.84
Class II	4.7	125,170,489	10.86
Class III	80.0	2,118,417,529	11.20
Class IV	1.9	49,976,436	10.38
Total		2,648,904,435	

Per Capita Disposition of Fluid Milk Products

An examination of per capita disposition of fluid milk products (FMP) in the Upper Midwest Marketing Area was conducted for 2008, with comparisons made to 2007. In addition, the Upper Midwest data were compared to similar data for all other Federal orders, combined.

Comparison to Other Orders

In 2008, total per capita disposition of FMP in the Upper Midwest market exceeded the average for all other Federal orders, as represented in Figure 1. In addition, a much smaller proportion of disposition is in whole milk products in the Upper Midwest Order when compared to all other Federal orders. These findings are consistent with trends that have been observed in the Upper Midwest region in previous years.

the Upper Midwest Order averaged 217 pounds in 2008, down three pounds from 2007. In 2008, 14% of the total was disposed of as whole milk products and 86% as lowfat products, unchanged from 2007.

This compares to an average for 2008 of 178 pounds per capita for all other Federal orders. In 2008, the whole milk portion accounted for 30% of total disposition, while lowfat accounted for 70%, a shift of 1 percentage point from 31% and 69% respectively in 2007.

Upper Midwest Order Trends

Several changes in per capita disposition of FMP in the Upper Midwest market have taken place between 2000 and 2008, as represented by Figure 2 on Page 3.

pounds in 2000 to 217 in 2004, rebounded slightly to 220 pounds in 2007, but fell back to 217 pounds in 2008 to end a 3-year rebound that began in 2005. In addition, changes in the proportion of whole milk products versus lowfat milk products occurred during the period.

Per capita disposition of whole milk products was 29 pounds in 2008, down 11 pounds from 2000. However, during this time, disposition of lowfat products declined from 186 pounds in 2000 to 179 pounds in 2004, then rebounded to 188 pounds by 2007, and stayed the same at 188 pounds in 2008.

As a result, whole milk products accounted for a smaller proportion of total disposition in 2008 than they did in 2000. In 2008, whole milk products accounted for 14% of the total, down from 18% in 2000.

Total per capita disposition of FMP in

Total FMP disposition dropped from 225

Figure 1
Comparison of 2008 Per Capita Disposition

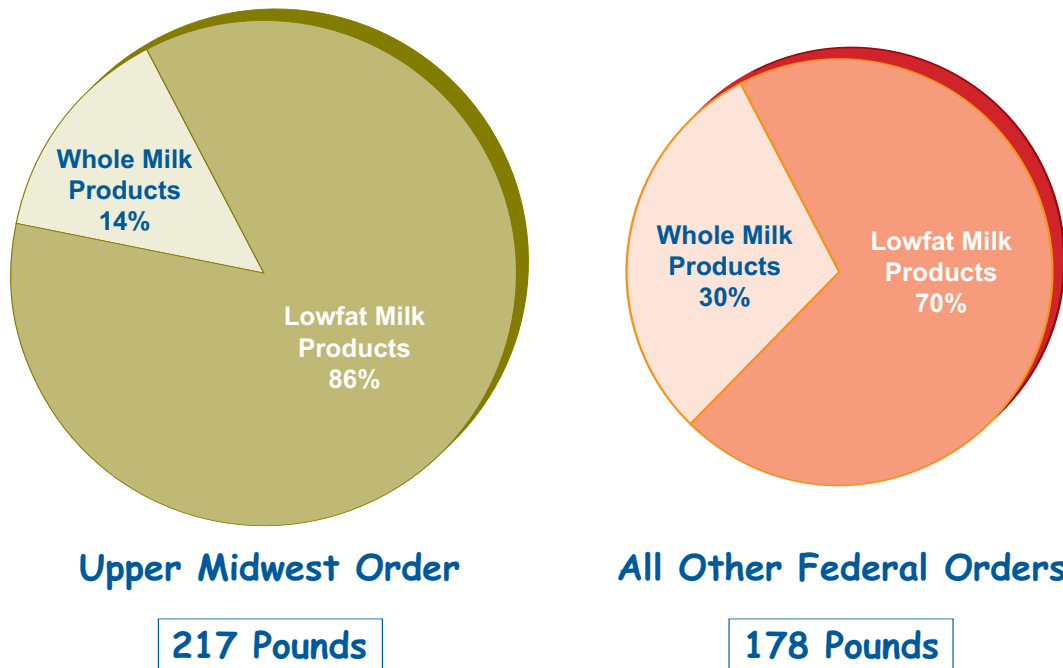
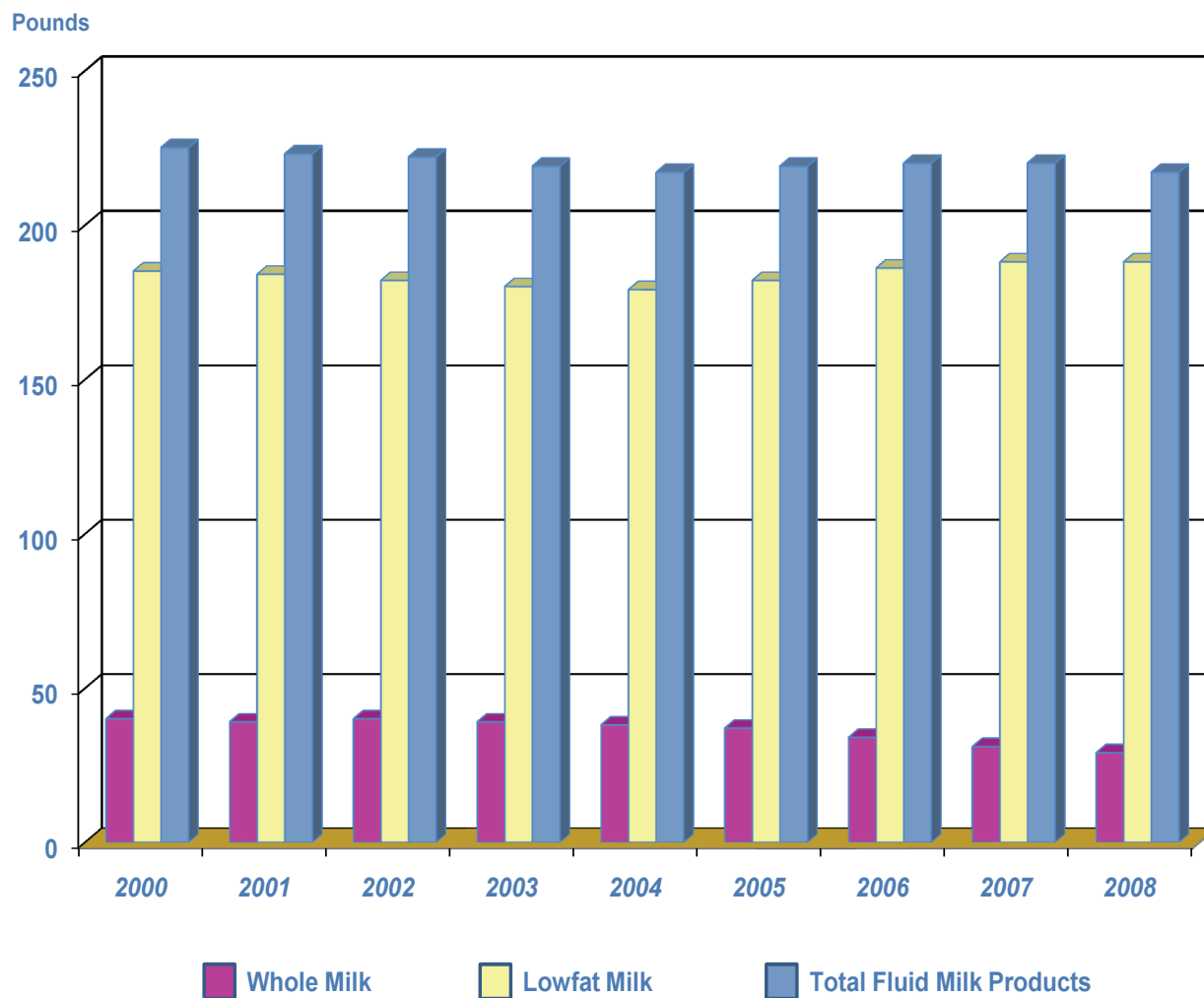


Figure 2
Upper Midwest Order
Per Capita Disposition of Fluid Milk Products



Upper Midwest Pool Statistics - August 2009

Market Class I Differential Rate	Pool Plants	Received at Pool Plants	Diverted to Pool and Nonpool Plants	Total	Location Adjustment to Producers	Class I Differential to Handlers
<i>Cwt.</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Pounds</i> <i>Value</i>
\$1.80	4	80,525,350	32,812,510	113,337,860	\$ 0	79,506,016 \$ 1,431,108
\$1.75	38	170,292,515	1,087,346,144	1,257,638,659	628,819	140,762,802 2,463,349
\$1.70	31	184,302,683	1,026,513,670	1,210,816,353	1,210,817	116,073,537 1,973,250
\$1.65	5	24,991,750	42,119,813	67,111,563	96,505	18,997,626 313,461
Total	78	460,112,298	2,188,792,137	2,648,904,435	\$ 1,936,141	355,339,981 \$ 6,181,168

Computation of Producer Price Differential-August 2009

	Utilization Percentage	Product Pounds	Component Pounds	Rate	Value
Class I					
Differential Value					\$ 6,181,168.35
Product	13.4%	355,339,981			
Skim Milk			349,968,498	\$ 6.0000	20,998,109.88
Butterfat			5,371,483	1.2149	6,525,814.71
Class II					
Product	4.7%	125,170,489			
Nonfat Solids			10,389,621	0.7444	7,734,033.86
Butterfat			9,622,616	1.2561	12,086,967.92
Class III					
Product	80.0%	2,118,417,529			
Protein			62,910,065	2.1009	132,167,755.57
Other Solids			121,558,705	0.0962	11,693,947.44
Butterfat			74,606,104	1.2491	93,190,484.48
Class IV					
Product	1.9%	49,976,436			
Nonfat Solids			3,995,789	0.6918	2,764,286.83
Butterfat			5,683,533	1.2491	7,099,301.07
SCC Adjustment (Class II, III, and IV)					942,173.60
Total Producer Milk *		2,648,904,435			\$301,384,043.71
Add:					
Overage					14,109.34
Inventory Reclassified					14,720.86
Other Source Milk \$.60(h)					0.00
Other Source Milk \$.60(i)					0.00
Subtract:					
Transportation Credit					58,343.92
Assembly Credit					283,901.41
Credit for Reconstituted FMP					0.00
Producer Milk Protein					165,085,074.85
Producer Milk Other Solids					14,598,886.85
Producer Milk Butterfat					119,018,914.68
Producer Milk SCC Adjustment					1,087,587.22
Total Milk and Value		2,648,904,435			\$ 1,280,164.98
Add:					
Location Adjustment -- Producer and Unregulated Supply Plant Milk					1,936,141.13
One-Half Unobligated Balance Producer Settlement Fund					1,246,122.31
Total Value				0.168463	\$ 4,462,428.42
Subtract:					
Producer Settlement Fund Reserve				0.048463	1,283,743.10
Producer Price Differential **				\$0.12	\$ 3,178,685.32

* An estimated 319 million pounds of milk was not pooled.

** Producer Price Differential is dollars per cwt. at the Base Zone of Cook County, Illinois.



Utilization and Classification of Milk

	August 2009		July 2009	August 2008
	Product Pounds	Butterfat Pounds	Product Pounds	Product Pounds
Class I Utilization:				
Packaged Disposition				
Milk	53,725,812	1,717,539	53,670,435	52,140,403
Flavored Milk	3,553,812	98,990	3,575,423	4,231,246
Reduced Fat Milk	143,310,014	2,712,825	143,665,126	142,602,276
Lowfat Milk	50,897,273	486,827	49,949,021	48,241,060
Fat Free Milk	86,698,726	94,402	86,154,643	87,785,735
Flavored Reduced and Fat Free Milk	20,785,589	197,021	17,994,435	19,365,948
Buttermilk	2,611,070	26,750	2,725,646	2,425,251
Total Packaged Disposition	361,582,296	5,334,354	357,734,729	356,791,919
Total Ending Inventory	28,871,152	416,639	33,306,866	28,820,038
Bulk to Nonpool Plants	412,898	9,065	206,683	200,483
Shrinkage	1,642,153	170,438	2,117,031	2,108,703
Total Class I Utilization	392,508,499	5,930,496	393,365,309	387,921,143
Other Order Plants	(3,701,814)	(61,747)	(3,551,780)	(3,361,525)
Beginning Inventory	(33,306,866)	(492,510)	(29,069,553)	(31,184,208)
Reused Products	0	0	0	0
Other Source Milk	--	--	(947,334)	(737,873)
Overage	--	--	0	--
Interhandler Adjustment	(159,838)	(4,756)	143,249	(239,563)
Class I Producer Milk	355,339,981	5,371,483	359,939,891	352,397,974
Class II Utilization:				
Total Class II Utilization	136,022,059	10,092,187	79,632,377	142,026,301
Other Order Plants	--	--	--	(1,972,688)
Beginning Inventory	(765,204)	(98,953)	(2,558,281)	(2,258,164)
Reused Products	(9,722,640)	(6,892)	(10,974,138)	(13,129,147)
Other Source Milk	(363,726)	(363,726)	(399,845)	(1,055,092)
Overage	0	0	--	--
Class II Producer Milk	125,170,489	9,622,616	65,700,113	123,611,210
Class III Utilization:				
Total Class III Utilization	2,122,849,373	74,702,125	2,482,436,998	2,101,991,569
Other Order Plants	(1,436,573)	(18,411)	(10,570,682)	(1,122,776)
Beginning Inventory	(853,287)	(41,402)	(7,704,458)	(919,167)
Reused Products	0	0	0	0
Other Source Milk	(2,094,528)	(29,058)	(2,792,727)	(2,452,834)
Overage	(47,456)	(7,150)	(144,176)	(57,425)
Class III Producer Milk	2,118,417,529	74,606,104	2,461,224,955	2,097,439,367
Class IV Utilization:				
Total Class IV Utilization	96,044,053	7,313,778	70,344,541	113,854,278
Other Order Plants	(2,332,612)	(117,793)	(1,617,157)	(7,247,799)
Beginning Inventory	(10,804,715)	(553,457)	(9,035,940)	(13,163,501)
Reused Products	0	0	0	0
Other Source Milk	(32,922,696)	(957,435)	(28,657,541)	(39,900,927)
Overage	(7,594)	(1,560)	(31,510)	(101,126)
Class IV Producer Milk	49,976,436	5,683,533	31,002,393	53,440,925
Total Producer Milk -- All Classes	2,648,904,435	95,283,736	2,917,867,352	2,626,889,476

-- Restricted Information

Commodity Prices

Month/Year	Weighted Monthly Average NASS Prices *						Weighted Two-Week Average NASS Prices *					
	Cheddar Cheese			Nonfat			Cheddar Cheese			Nonfat		
	Blocks	Barrels	Average	Butter	Dry Milk	Dry Whey	Blocks	Barrels	Average	Butter	Dry Milk	Dry Whey
	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>						<i>Dollars per Pound</i>					
Aug 2008	1.8809	1.8247	1.8699	1.5713	1.3840	0.2470	1.9317	1.8353	1.9041	1.5711	1.3790	0.2487
Sep	1.7661	1.7611	1.7773	1.6365	1.2131	0.2183	1.7265	1.6997	1.7279	1.6125	1.2628	0.2241
Oct	1.8927	1.8928	1.9065	1.6997	0.9987	0.1945	1.9185	1.9189	1.9323	1.6899	1.0452	0.1970
Nov	1.7268	1.7518	1.7511	1.6356	0.8701	0.1895	1.7253	1.7322	1.7420	1.6517	0.8617	0.1896
Dec	1.7355	1.7447	1.7544	1.2448	0.8425	0.1730	1.7615	1.8048	1.7989	1.3262	0.8460	0.1716
Jan 2009	1.2906	1.2728	1.2961	1.0868	0.8318	0.1696	1.2806	1.2700	1.2895	1.0914	0.8333	0.1701
Feb	1.1239	1.1495	1.1518	1.0750	0.8215	0.1567	1.1171	1.1342	1.1414	1.0731	0.8195	0.1545
Mar	1.2336	1.2636	1.2611	1.1289	0.8166	0.1662	1.2387	1.2446	1.2545	1.1211	0.8152	0.1632
Apr	1.2689	1.2566	1.2771	1.1665	0.8195	0.1949	1.2753	1.3086	1.3030	1.1640	0.8181	0.1852
May	1.1681	1.1112	1.1553	1.2159	0.8318	0.2317	1.1720	1.1095	1.1562	1.2051	0.8314	0.2323
Jun	1.1472	1.1158	1.1466	1.2073	0.8461	0.2693	1.1451	1.1167	1.1459	1.2187	0.8443	0.2649
Jul	1.1260	1.1112	1.1334	1.1986	0.8422	0.2912	1.1339	1.1039	1.1339	1.1747	0.8416	0.2873
Aug	1.2318	1.2603	1.2605	1.2030	0.8666	0.2925	1.2015	1.2330	1.2311	1.2158	0.8695	0.2938

Month/Year	Chicago Mercantile Exchange							
	Butter	Cheddar Cheese		Nonfat Dry Milk (Low/Medium Heat)		Whey Powder		
	Grade AA	Blocks	Barrels	Central & East	West	Central	West	
	<i>Dollars per Pound</i>							
Aug 2008	1.6279	1.7398	1.6983	1.4439	1.3972	0.2170	0.2546	
Sep	1.6973	1.8762	1.8517	1.3187	1.2379	0.1993	0.1979	
Oct	1.7320	1.7963	1.8025	1.1032	0.9680	0.1899	0.1791	
Nov	1.6165	1.7099	1.6975	0.9353	0.8647	0.1770	0.1586	
Dec	1.2007	1.5132	1.5295	0.8907	0.8424	0.1754	0.1456	
Jan 2009	1.1096	1.0833	1.0832	0.8584	0.8161	0.1638	0.1466	
Feb	1.1097	1.2171	1.1993	0.8574	0.8007	0.1601	0.1627	
Mar	1.1770	1.2455	1.2738	0.8693	0.8088	0.1748	0.1906	
Apr	1.2042	1.2045	1.1506	0.8660	0.8230	0.2060	0.2295	
May	1.2526	1.1394	1.0763	0.8836	0.8325	0.2436	0.2518	
Jun	1.2235	1.1353	1.0884	0.9115	0.8404	0.2718	0.2985	
Jul	1.2349	1.1516	1.1349	0.9138	0.8391	0.2960	0.3221	
Aug	1.2005	1.3471	1.3271	0.9858	0.9325	0.2956	0.3214	

Market Statistics

Month/Year	Distributing Plants	Supply Plants	Coop .9(c) Handlers	Producers	Total Producer Milk	Est. Average Daily Delivery Per Producer	Class I Utilization	Butterfat Test	Protein Test	Other Solids Test	Weighted Average SCC
					Mil. lbs.	Pounds	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
										(000)	
Aug 2008	27	55	13	16,125	2,627	5,207	13.4	3.59	2.95	5.71	312
Sep	25	53	13	16,039	2,531	5,247	14.9	3.67	3.02	5.72	291
Oct	27	52	13	14,313	2,175	5,296	18.3	3.77	3.09	5.71	271
Nov	26	52	13	16,091	2,625	5,392	13.9	3.82	3.12	5.71	253
Dec	26	53	13	15,061	2,318	5,416	17.0	3.83	3.11	5.71	259
Jan 2009	26	53	12	16,118	2,751	5,499	14.1	3.81	3.09	5.71	272
Feb	24	54	12	16,197	2,488	5,507	14.3	3.76	3.06	5.73	277
Mar	26	54	12	15,859	2,675	5,622	14.1	3.73	3.04	5.73	275
Apr	26	53	12	16,364	2,794	5,662	13.3	3.72	3.03	5.72	265
May	24	53	12	16,463	2,885	5,740	12.4	3.66	3.00	5.72	258
Jun	23	53	13	15,330	2,759		12.3	3.62	2.96	5.75	267
Jul	25	53	13		2,918		12.3	3.57	2.95	5.75	285
Aug	25	53	13		2,649		13.4	3.60	2.97	5.73	285

* NASS = National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Class Prices

Month/Year	Class I Price Mover			Class I Price at Cook County, IL			Class II Price			
	Butterfat	Skim Milk	3.50%	Butterfat	Skim Milk	3.50%	Butterfat	Nonfat Solids	Skim Milk	3.50%
	<i>lb.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>lb.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>lb.</i>	<i>lb.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>
Aug 2008	1.6804	13.05	18.47	1.6984	14.85	20.27	1.7483	1.3044	11.74	17.45
Sep	1.7411	11.98	17.65	1.7591	13.78	19.45	1.8266	1.2878	11.59	17.58
Oct	1.7451	9.76	15.53	1.7631	11.56	17.33	1.8577	1.1622	10.46	16.60
Nov	1.8388	11.29	17.33	1.8568	13.09	19.13	1.7800	0.9467	8.52	14.45
Dec	1.7925	9.49	15.43	1.8105	11.29	17.23	1.3068	0.7644	6.88	11.21
Jan 2009	1.3983	11.24	15.74	1.4163	13.04	17.54	1.1154	0.7489	6.74	10.41
Feb	1.1140	7.07	10.72	1.1320	8.87	12.52	1.1011	0.7367	6.63	10.25
Mar	1.0918	5.81	9.43	1.1098	7.61	11.23	1.1664	0.7233	6.51	10.36
Apr	1.1500	6.56	10.36	1.1680	8.36	12.16	1.2119	0.7189	6.47	10.49
May	1.2019	7.01	10.97	1.2199	8.81	12.77	1.2718	0.7211	6.49	10.71
June	1.2517	5.91	10.08	1.2697	7.71	11.88	1.2614	0.7344	6.61	10.79
Jul	1.2682	6.03	10.26	1.2862	7.83	12.06	1.2508	0.7478	6.73	10.87
Aug	1.2149	6.00	10.04	1.2329	7.80	11.84	1.2561	0.7444	6.70	10.86
Sep	1.2646	6.74	10.93	1.2826	8.54	12.73		0.7722	6.95	

Month/Year	Class III Price					Class IV Price			
	Butterfat	Protein	Other Solids	Skim Milk	3.50%	Butterfat	Nonfat Solids	Skim Milk	3.50%
	<i>lb.</i>	<i>lb.</i>	<i>lb.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>lb.</i>	<i>lb.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>
Aug 2008	1.7413	3.6497	0.0529	11.63	17.32	1.7413	1.2147	10.93	16.64
Sep	1.8196	3.2689	0.0234	10.27	16.28	1.8196	1.0455	9.41	15.45
Oct	1.8507	3.5490	(0.0047)	10.97	17.06	1.8507	0.8226	7.40	13.62
Nov	1.7730	3.1301	(0.0099)	9.64	15.51	1.7730	0.6953	6.26	12.25
Dec	1.2998	3.6390	(0.0269)	11.12	15.28	1.2998	0.6680	6.01	10.35
Jan 2009	1.1084	2.3638	(0.0304)	7.15	10.78	1.1084	0.6574	5.92	9.59
Feb	1.0941	1.9139	(0.0437)	5.68	9.31	1.0941	0.6472	5.82	9.45
Mar	1.1594	2.1973	(0.0339)	6.61	10.44	1.1594	0.6423	5.78	9.64
Apr	1.2049	2.2009	(0.0043)	6.80	10.78	1.2049	0.6452	5.81	9.82
May	1.2648	1.7454	0.0336	5.61	9.84	1.2648	0.6574	5.92	10.14
Jun	1.2544	1.7283	0.0723	5.78	9.97	1.2544	0.6715	6.04	10.22
Jul	1.2438	1.6970	0.0949	5.82	9.97	1.2438	0.6677	6.01	10.15
Aug	1.2491	2.1009	0.0962	7.08	11.20	1.2491	0.6918	6.23	10.38

Producer Prices

Month/Year	Producer Price Differential	Statistical Uniform Price (at 3.50%)	Butterfat Price	Protein Price	Other Solids Price	SCC Adjustment Rate	Producer Mailbox Price (at test)
	<i>\$ per cwt.</i>	<i>\$ per cwt.</i>	<i>\$ per lb.</i>	<i>\$ per lb.</i>	<i>\$ per lb.</i>	<i>\$ per cwt.</i>	<i>\$ per cwt.</i>
Jun 2008	(0.46)	19.79	1.6160	4.7193	0.0826	0.00108	20.02
Jul	0.66	18.90	1.6774	4.0025	0.0707	0.00098	19.11
Aug	0.49	17.81	1.7413	3.6497	0.0529	0.00093	18.19
Sep	0.57	16.85	1.8196	3.2689	0.0234	0.00089	17.87
Oct	(0.04)	17.02	1.8507	3.5490	(0.0047)	0.00095	18.47
Nov	0.34	15.85	1.7730	3.1301	(0.0099)	0.00088	17.48
Dec	(0.24)	15.04	1.2998	3.6390	(0.0269)	0.00088	16.50
Jan 2009	0.82	11.60	1.1084	2.3638	(0.0304)	0.00065	13.00
Feb	0.51	9.82	1.0941	1.9139	(0.0437)	0.00058	11.51
Mar	0.13	10.57	1.1594	2.1973	(0.0339)	0.00063	12.06
Apr	0.20	10.98	1.2049	2.2009	(0.0043)	0.00064	12.31
May	0.46	10.30	1.2648	1.7454	0.0336	0.00058	11.51
Jun	0.32	10.29	1.2544	1.7283	0.0723	0.00057	
Jul	0.33	10.30	1.2438	1.6970	0.0949	0.00057	
Aug	0.12	11.32	1.2491	2.1009	0.0962	0.00063	

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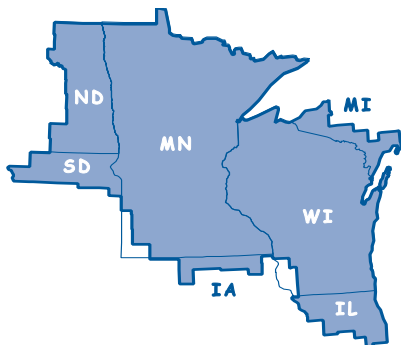
Summary of Federal Order Data - August 2009

Federal Order Number / Name	Producer Deliveries <i>— Thousand Pounds —</i>	Class I Producer Receipts <i>— Thousand Pounds —</i>	Class I Utilization <i>Percent</i>	Class I Price <i>— Dollars per Cwt. —</i>	Producer Price Differential	Uniform or Statistical Uniform Price at 3.5% Butterfat		
						FOB Market <i>— Dollars per Cwt. —</i>	FOB Cook Cty. Illinois <i>— Dollars per Cwt. —</i>	Change From Previous Year
1 Northeast	1,937,346	824,392	42.6	\$ 13.29	\$ 1.15	\$ 12.35	\$ 10.90	\$(7.15)
5 Appalachian	485,251	349,081	71.9	13.44	n/a	12.86	11.26	(7.86)
6 Florida	243,010	211,546	87.1	15.44	n/a	14.88	11.28	(8.13)
7 Southeast	568,941	402,719	70.8	13.84	n/a	13.30	11.30	(7.95)
30 Upper Midwest	2,648,904	355,340	13.4	11.84	0.12	11.32	11.32	(6.49)
32 Central	1,006,723	355,164	35.3	12.04	0.04	11.24	11.04	(7.08)
33 Mideast	1,378,137	557,383	40.4	12.04	0.27	11.47	11.27	(7.23)
124 Pacific Northwest	626,497	181,703	29.0	11.94	0.05	11.25	11.15	(6.78)
126 Southwest	866,506	355,319	41.0	13.04	1.14	12.34	11.14	(6.98)
131 Arizona	305,002	120,498	39.5	12.39	n/a	11.55	11.00	(6.95)
All Market Average or Total *	10,066,317	3,713,143	36.9					

n/a = Not applicable. * May not add due to rounding.

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