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Cheese and Butter Prices Decline

Prices for cheddar cheese and butter on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) continued to fluctuate during the last month, but showed a net decline from mid-March.

The CME barrel cheddar cheese price on April 16 was \$1.46 per pound, down $12^{1/4}$ ¢ from March 16. The price for 40-pound blocks was \$1.48³/₄ per pound on April 16, down $9^{1/2}$ ¢ from March 16. The barrel price was $16^{1/2}$ ¢ below the year-earlier level while the block price was down 14¢.

On April 16, the CME butter price closed at $$1.42^{1/2}$ per pound, down 9¢ from March 16 and $57^{1/2}$ ¢ below a year ago.

The March Federal order Class III price was \$15.72 per cwt., down 34¢ from February and \$3.68 below March 2011.

The April CME Class III futures price on April 16 was \$15.79 per cwt., with May through December ranging from \$14.96 to \$16.40 per cwt.

Determination of Equivalent Price Series

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced a determination of equivalent price series notice for the Dairy Product Sales report.

The Secretary of Agriculture has determined that the dairy product price series in the Dairy Products Sales report, as published by the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), is equivalent to those prices previously released by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) in the Dairy Products Prices report.

As NASS has discontinued the publication of the Dairy Products Prices report and AMS

has recently implemented an electronic reporting system to compile and publish these data, USDA will consider these two series as being equivalent.

The AMS data will be used in the calculation of milk component values and the subsequent computation of Federal milk market order minimum classified milk prices.

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Pool Summary

- ➤ In March, producer milk totaled 2.94 billion pounds, up 229 million pounds from February and 327 million pounds above March 2011.
- ➤ Class I utilization totaled 323 million pounds, down 1.9% from February on a daily basis. Class I usage accounted for 11.0% of producer milk.
- Class III utilization totaled 2.5 billion

- pounds and accounted for 84.1% of producer milk.
- ➤ The March Producer Price Differential (PPD) was \$0.26 per cwt.
- The Statistical Uniform Price was \$15.98 per cwt., down \$0.37 from February and \$3.45 below March 2011.
- ➤ Market statistics for March are shown on Pages 4 and 5.

March 2012 Producer Milk by Class

		Product	
	Percent	Pounds	Price
			\$/cwt.
Class I	11.0	323,367,885	18.10
Class II	2.1	60,166,000	16.59
Class III	84.1	2,471,303,390	15.72
Class IV	2.8	83,391,763	15.35
Total		2,938,229,038	

2011 Mailbox Milk Price Sets Record at \$20.20

The Dairy Programs section of the Agricultural Marketing Service, through its Federal milk order Market Administrator offices, collects and publishes "mailbox milk prices". These mailbox prices attempt to show what dairy farmers actually receive in their milk checks.

Mailbox prices for 2011 are shown in Table 1 for 21 regions in the United States. Except for California, the regions are all or a portion of a Federal milk order (see map on Page 3).

The mailbox price is defined as the net price received by dairy farmers for milk, including all payments received for milk sold and deducting costs associated with marketing the milk. All mailbox prices are reported at test; there is no adjustment to 3.5% butterfat.

For 2011, the all-market mailbox price of \$20.20 set a record high, surpassing

Table 1 - 2011 Mailbox Milk Prices 1/ for Selected Reporting Areas in Federal Milk Orders and California

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Reporting Area 2/	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Weighted Average ^{3/}
		Dollars Per Hundredweight											
New England States 4/	\$18.09	\$19.91	\$21.33	\$21.10	\$21.26	\$22.33	\$22.77	\$23.36	\$22.69	\$21.26	\$21.36	\$20.68	\$21.34
New York	16.83	18.56	20.01	19.91	19.99	20.88	21.41	21.92	21.30	19.90	19.99	19.35	20.00
Eastern Pennsylvania 5/	17.72	19.41	20.80	20.66	20.79	21.66	22.16	22.73	22.30	20.93	21.00	20.19	20.84
Appalachian States 6/	18.71	19.87	21.13	21.41	21.39	22.58	22.83	23.89	23.98	21.80	21.57	20.66	21.64
Southeast States 7/	18.77	19.89	21.07	21.29	21.35	23.06	23.70	24.87	24.76	22.65	22.26	21.62	22.00
Southern Missouri 8/	16.67	18.30	19.85	19.38	19.31	20.88	21.27	22.78	22.54	20.63	20.63	19.45	20.05
Florida	19.69	20.57	21.58	22.06	22.25	23.98	25.10	26.72	26.73	24.39	23.68	23.05	23.14
Western Pennsylvania 9/	17.68	19.60	21.28	20.69	20.62	21.53	22.26	22.87	22.31	20.99	21.05	20.32	20.93
Ohio	17.90	19.57	20.97	20.73	20.64	21.28	22.13	22.64	22.24	21.03	20.35	20.75	20.85
Indiana	17.69	19.14	20.44	20.25	20.14	21.16	21.63	22.06	22.03	20.59	20.46	19.68	20.42
Michigan	16.87	18.69	20.14	19.90	19.86	20.78	21.30	21.92	21.56	20.13	20.19	19.94	20.11
Wisconsin	16.01	18.91	20.78	18.99	18.64	20.41	21.86	22.31	20.95	20.13	21.08	20.69	20.06
Minnesota	15.93	19.01	20.36	18.66	18.86	20.65	21.83	22.10	20.59	20.08	21.24	20.52	19.95
lowa	16.76	19.03	20.76	19.75	19.53	20.75	21.70	22.14	21.28	20.24	20.95	20.19	20.25
Illinois	17.12	19.24	21.20	20.10	19.69	21.02	22.14	22.60	21.78	20.75	21.31	20.60	20.58
Corn Belt States 10/	16.58	18.89	20.47	19.46	19.23	20.50	21.24	21.61	20.89	19.82	20.07	19.25	19.88
Western Texas 11/	15.63	18.43	20.10	19.08	19.09	20.22	21.09	21.45	20.44	18.64	19.29	18.76	19.37
New Mexico	14.72	17.46	19.07	18.08	18.09	19.19	19.97	20.17	19.26	17.54	18.19	18.03	18.33
Northwest States 12/	16.06	18.60	20.37	19.29	19.15	20.77	21.69	22.07	20.73	19.66	20.32	19.59	19.90
All Federal Order Areas ^{13/}	\$16.67	\$18.94	\$20.50	\$19.66	\$19.58	\$20.88	\$21.75	\$22.25	\$21.39	\$20.14	\$20.59	\$20.05	\$20.20
Upper Midwest Order 14/	\$16.12	\$18.99	\$20.70	\$18.97	\$18.86	\$20.56	\$21.84	\$22.23	\$20.88	\$20.14	\$20.97	\$20.70	\$20.07
California ^{15/}	\$15.31	\$17.50	\$18.00	\$17.51	\$17.72	\$19.80	\$19.67	\$19.85	\$18.61	\$17.89	\$18.64	\$17.09	\$18.14

- ¹⁹ Net pay price received by dairy farmers for milk. Includes all payments received for milk sold and all costs associated with marketing the milk. Price is a weighted average for the reporting area and is reported at the average butterfat test. Mailbox price does not include any Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) payments. Mailbox milk price does include, for the most part, the assessment under the Cooperatives Working Together (CWT) program.
- Information is shown for those areas for which prices are reported for at least 75% of the milk marketed under Federal milk orders. The price shown is the weighted average of the prices reported for all orders that received milk from that area.
- Figures are annual averages -- the weighted average of the monthly figures; except California, which is a simple average.

- Includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.
- All counties to the east of those listed in footnote 9.
- Includes Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.
- Includes Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, and Mississippi.
- The counties of Vernon, Cedar, Polk, Dallas, Laclede, Texas, Dent, Crawford, Washington, St. Francois, and Perry, and all those to the south of these.
- ^{9/} The counties of Warren, Elk, Clearfield, Indiana, Westmoreland, and Fayette, and all those counties to the west of these
- 10/2 Includes Kansas, Nebraska, and the Missouri counties to the north of those listed in footnote 8.

- ^{11/2} All counties to the west of Fanin, Hunt, Van Zandt, Henderson, Houston, Cherokee, Nacogdoches, and Shelby.
- 12/ Includes Oregon and Washington.
- Weighted average of the information for all selected reporting areas in Federal milk orders.
- 14/ This mailbox price is calculated by the Upper Midwest Order Market Administrator's Office and includes information for all milk pooled on the order.
- 15' California is not part of the Federal order program. However, the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Dairy Marketing Branch calculates a mailbox price and publishes it in the "California Dairy Information Bulletin". The annual average is a simple average.

the previous high set in 2007 by \$1.04, and \$3.91 above the 2010 price (see Table 2). Even though mailbox prices were high by historical standards, in some cases milk checks likely did not cover expenses, especially when factoring in unusually high feed prices.

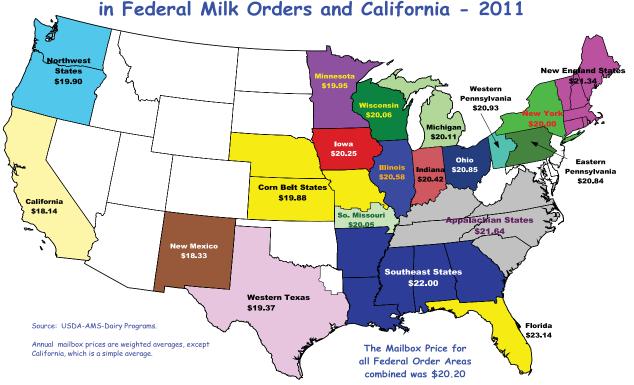
In 2011, the Milk-Feed Price Ratio ranged from 1.73 in May to 2.12 in March, with income-over-feed-costs averaging about \$8 for the year. In 2010 by contrast, when milk prices were nearly \$4 lower, the Milk-Feed Ratio bot-

tomed out in December at 1.98, but peaked at 2.40 in October resulting in a more profitable year in general.

Strong dairy product sales in 2011, measured as commercial disappearance, and record export markets, contributed to the higher milk prices. Sales were up 1.6%, while exports accounted for 13.3% (on a total solids basis) of U.S. production. Exports of dairy products were record highs in both volume and dollars.

Table 2	- Mailbox Pr	rice by Year
Year	All Market Mailbox Price	Difference from Previous Year
2011	\$20.20	\$3.91
2010	\$16.29	\$3.47
2009	\$12.82	(\$5.57)
2008	\$18.39	(\$0.77)
2007	\$19.16	\$6.32
2006	\$12.84	(\$2.14)
2005	\$14.98	(\$0.92)
2004	\$15.90	\$3.62
2003	\$12.28	\$0.37
2002	\$11.91	(\$2.86)
2001	\$14.77	\$2.62
2000	\$12.15	(\$1.84)

Mailbox Milk Prices for Selected Reporting Areas in Federal Milk Orders and California - 2011



Upper Midwest Pool Statistics - March 2012

Market Class I Differential Rate	Pool Plants	Received at Pool Plants	Diverted to Pool and Nonpool Plants	Total	Location Adjustment to Producers		Differential ndlers
Cwt.	Number	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Value	Pounds	Value
\$1.80	3	85,713,120	17,806,648	103,519,768	\$ 0	87,441,351	\$1,573,944
\$1.75	34	143,425,466	1,038,911,849	1,182,337,315	591,169	94,931,784	1,661,306
\$1.70	27	224,778,028	1,323,983,975	1,548,762,003	1,548,762	121,144,805	2,059,462
\$1.65	5	24,456,575	79,153,377	103,609,952	155,415	19,849,945	327,524
Total	69	478,373,189	2,459,855,849	2,938,229,038	\$2,295,346	323,367,885	\$5,622,236

Computation of Producer Price Differential-March 2012

		Utilization Percentage	Product Pounds	Component Pounds	Rate	Value
Class I	Differential Value					\$ 5,622,236.34
	Product	11.0%	323,367,885			
	Skim Milk			318,845,296	\$10.9600	34,945,444.45
	Butterfat			4,522,589	1.6355	7,396,694.31
Class II	Product	2.1%	60,166,000			
	Nonfat Solids			4,830,103	1.2911	6,236,145.96
	Butterfat			7,692,977	1.5367	11,821,797.75
Class III	Product	84.1%	2,471,303,390			
	Protein			76,125,373	2.6571	202,272,728.59
	Other Solids			142,765,930	0.4239	60,518,477.73
	Butterfat			87,969,822	1.5297	134,567,436.71
Class IV	Product	2.8%	83,391,763			
	Nonfat Solids			6,692,243	1.1516	7,706,787.08
	Butterfat			10,707,912	1.5297	16,379,892.98
SCC Adjus	tment (Class II, III, and	IV)				2,642,800.09
Total Prod	ucer Milk *		2,938,229,038			\$490,110,441.99
Add:	Overage Inventory Reclassified					52,902.08 6,779.58
	Other Source Milk §.6 Other Source Milk §.6		334,533			0.00 7,292.82
Subtract:	Transportation Credit Assembly Credit Credit for Reconstitute Producer Milk Protein Producer Milk Other S Producer Milk Butterfa Producer Milk SCC Ac	Solids at				31,859.71 257,265.05 0.00 239,996,858.07 71,778,001.87 169,633,480.99 2,992,873.03
Total Milk a	and Value		2,938,563,571			\$ 5,487,077.75
Add:	Location Adjustment - One-Half Unobligated		regulated Supply Plan Settlement Fund	t Milk		2,296,014.82 1,310,659.29
Total Value					0.309462	\$ 9,093,751.86
Subtract:	Producer Settlement I	Fund Reserve			0.049462	1,453,486.58
Produce	er Price Differentia	ıl **			\$0.26	\$ 7,640,265.2

- * An estimated 109 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

	March 2012		February 2012	March 2011
	Product Pounds	Butterfat Pounds	Product Pounds	Product Pounds
Class I Utilization:				
Packaged Disposition				
Milk	39,952,303	1,311,975	37,719,615	45,036,085
Flavored Milk	2,288,161	71,444	2,187,384	3,519,371
Reduced Fat Milk	112,425,600	2,174,743	107,338,063	130,739,407
Lowfat Milk	58,273,911	552,864	54,583,271	60,317,706
Fat Free Milk	75,639,238	68,704	72,098,141	88,141,735
Flavored Reduced and Fat Free Milk	32,559,911	224,896	33,143,292	38,112,171
Buttermilk	2,808,492	37,518	2,625,318	2,879,488
Total Packaged Disposition	323,947,616	4,442,144	309,695,084	368,745,963
Total Ending Inventory	20,312,028	262,068	21,367,364	32,597,569
Bulk to Nonpool Plants	1,790,927	35,750	1,646,246	595,482
Shrinkage	1,135,413	99,370	1,272,749	2,932,514
Total Class I Utilization	347,185,984	4,839,332	333,981,443	404,871,528
Other Order Plants	(2,973,282)	(44,080)	(3,063,213)	(3,499,120)
Beginning Inventory	(20,410,730)	(271,312)	(22,005,012)	(30,015,617)
Reused Products	0	0	0	0
Other Source Milk	(438,435)	(1,437)	(508,504)	0
Overage	0	0		0
Interhandler Adjustment	4,348	86	(58,255)	(629,582)
Class I Producer Milk	323,367,885	4,522,589	308,346,459	370,727,209
Class II Utilization:				
Total Class II Utilization	67,002,660	7,822,438	72,713,169	197,396,228
Other Order Plants			0	(1,458,959)
Beginning Inventory	(1,358,013)	(73,661)	(1,786,482)	(5,566,420)
Reused Products	(5,436,637)	(17,169)	(8,594,834)	(16,863,860)
Other Source Milk	(42,010)	(38,631)	(34,127)	(587,823)
Overage			0	0
Class II Producer Milk	60,166,000	7,692,977	62,297,726	172,919,166
Class III Utilization:				
Total Class III Utilization	2,476,747,882	88,064,090	2,265,425,038	2,049,288,877
Other Order Plants	(2,767,724)	(35,643)	(3,360,428)	
Beginning Inventory	(2,112,695)	(22,995)	(2,310,410)	(4,378,134)
Reused Products	0	0	0	0
Other Source Milk	(483,540)	(19,014)	(614,211)	(10,550,073)
Overage	(80,533)	(16,616)	(81,054)	(60,835)
Class III Producer Milk	2,471,303,390	87,969,822	2,259,058,935	2,034,299,835
Class IV Utilization:				
Total Class IV Utilization	190,920,395	14,905,581	174,647,797	71,639,614
Other Order Plants	(6,578,968)	(303,089)	(5,537,413)	(4,821,539)
Beginning Inventory	(14,470,629)	(883,587)	(18,715,670)	(14,071,752)
Reused Products	0	v o	0	0
Other Source Milk	(86,429,747)	(3,007,220)	(70,553,711)	(19,653,789)
Overage	(49,288)	(3,773)	(2,331)	(21,464)
Class IV Producer Milk	83,391,763	10,707,912	79,838,672	33,071,070
Total Producer Milk All Classes	2,938,229,038	110,893,300	2,709,541,792	2,611,017,280
Restricted Information				

Commodity Prices

		Weighted	Monthly Av	erage NA	SS Prices	Weighted Two-Week Average NASS Prices *						
	Ch	neddar Chee	ese	Nonfat			Cheddar Cheese			Nonfat		
Month/Year	Blocks	Barrels	Average	Butter	Dry Milk	Dry Whey	Blocks	Barrels	Average	Butter	Dry Milk	Dry Whey
			Dollars pe	er Pound			Dollars per Pound					
Mar 2011	1.9633	1.9534	1.9722	2.0591	1.4945	0.4578	1.9644	1.9558	1.9735	2.0363	1.4733	0.4618
Apr	1.6888	1.6804	1.6983	1.9975	1.5680	0.4808	1.6690	1.6564	1.6768	1.9869	1.5698	0.4775
May	1.6309	1.6490	1.6534	2.0292	1.6120	0.4929	1.6222	1.6332	1.6413	2.0460	1.6065	0.4915
Jun	1.8640	1.9139	1.8999	2.1287	1.6520	0.5233	1.7523	1.8115	1.7934	2.1343	1.6462	0.5201
Jul	2.1087	2.1145	2.1243	2.0304	1.6159	0.5494	2.1226	2.1126	2.1308	2.0291	1.6571	0.5470
Aug	2.1206	2.1358	2.1402	2.0695	1.5739	0.5691	2.1283	2.1582	2.1529	2.0852	1.5804	0.5639
Sep	1.8755	1.8127	1.8592	1.9886	1.5439	0.5926	1.8465	1.7924	1.8347	1.9893	1.5461	0.5900
Oct	1.7391	1.7269	1.7471	1.7893	1.5109	0.6152	1.7425	1.7151	1.7437	1.7552	1.5328	0.6121
Nov	1.8006	1.8615	1.8415	1.7824	1.4522	0.6380	1.7464	1.7877	1.7788	1.8388	1.4783	0.6342
Dec	1.8038	1.7806	1.8070	1.6119	1.4201	0.6538	1.8140	1.7762	1.8102	1.6079	1.4419	0.6549
Jan 2012	1.5910	1.6006	1.6097	1.5900	1.3942	0.6876	1.5767	1.6059	1.6052	1.5893	1.4155	0.6915
Feb	1.5230	1.5279	1.5410	1.4712	1.3792	0.6400	1.5450	1.5349	1.5553	1.5220	1.3930	0.6531
Mar	1.4972	1.5193	1.5248	1.4347	1.3310	0.6107	1.4941	1.5100	1.5186	1.4299	1.3334	0.6117
Apr							1.5317	1.5247	1.5431	1.4624	1.2642	0.6022

Chicago Mercantile Exchange

	Butter Cheddar Cheese		r Cheese	Nonfat Dry Milk (Lov	v/Medium Heat)	Whey Powder		
Month/Year	Grade AA	Blocks	Barrels	Central & East	West	Central	West	
				Dollars per Pound				
Mar 2011	2.0863	1.8125	1.8049	1.6607	1.5735	0.4718	0.5147	
Apr	1.9970	1.6036	1.5756	1.6505	1.5764	0.4588	0.5210	
May	2.0724	1.6858	1.6902	1.6562	1.6056	0.4905	0.5180	
Jun	2.1077	2.0995	2.0483	1.6786	1.6490	0.5149	0.5445	
Jul	2.0443	2.1150	2.1124	1.6350	1.6253	0.5409	0.5735	
Aug	2.0882	1.9725	1.9571	1.5632	1.5185	0.5543	0.5843	
Sep	1.8724	1.7561	1.7010	1.5385	1.4947	0.5823	0.5985	
Oct	1.8295	1.7231	1.7192	1.5023	1.4641	0.6069	0.6019	
Nov	1.7356	1.8716	1.8963	1.4726	1.4331	0.6259	0.6096	
Dec	1.6119	1.6170	1.5839	1.4519	1.4099	0.6509	0.6565	
Jan 2012	1.5831	1.5546	1.5358	1.4344	1.3670	0.7160	0.6954	
Feb	1.4273	1.4793	1.4823	1.3760	1.3376	0.6672	0.5836	
Mar	1.4895	1.5193	1.5152	1.3077	1.2785	0.5273	0.4675	

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. Ibs.	Pounds	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	(000)
Mar 2011	23	49	13	13,348	2,611	6,307	14.2	3.76	3.07	5.75	236
Apr	21	50	13	14,418	2,762	6,386	13.0	3.73	3.05	5.76	236
May	20	50	13	14,234	2,895	6,561	11.9	3.69	3.03	5.74	235
Jun	19	49	13	14,067	2,779	6,585	11.6	3.61	2.98	5.76	247
Jul	19	49	13	14,379	2,828	6,344	11.3	3.59	2.92	5.74	274
Aug	22	50	12	14,368	2,880	6,466	12.4	3.59	2.97	5.72	286
Sep	21	50	13	14,013	2,671	6,353	13.6	3.69	3.06	5.74	258
Oct	20	50	13	13,941	2,704	6,255	13.3	3.79	3.14	5.74	234
Nov	20	50	14	14,029	2,697	6,406	13.5	3.87	3.17	5.74	218
Dec	22	50	13	12,903	2,517	6,290	14.7	3.86	3.15	5.75	214
Jan 2012	20	50	13	13,670	2,875	6,782	11.6	3.84	3.13	5.76	212
Feb	19	50	12		2,710		11.4	3.82	3.12	5.76	214
Mar	19	50	12		2,938		11.0	3.77	3.07	5.76	216

^{*} NASS = National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Class Prices

	Clas	ss I Price N	lover	Class I Price at Cook County, IL				Class II Price				
		Skim			Skim			Nonfat	Skim			
Month/Year	Butterfat	Milk	3.50%	Butterfat	Milk	3.50%	Butterfat	Solids	Milk	3.50%		
	lb.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	cwt.	cwt.		
Mar 2011	2.3136	10.50	18.23	2.3316	12.30	20.03	2.2929	1.2444	11.20	18.83		
Apr	2.2583	11.94	19.43	2.2763	13.74	21.23	2.2183	1.3700	12.33	19.66		
May	2.1984	12.49	19.75	2.2164	14.29	21.55	2.2567	1.4656	13.19	20.63		
Jun	2.2700	12.82	20.32	2.2880	14.62	22.12	2.3772	1.5022	13.52	21.37		
Jul	2.3770	13.17	21.03	2.3950	14.97	22.83	2.2581	1.5411	13.87	21.29		
Aug	2.2496	14.05	21.43	2.2676	15.85	23.23	2.3055	1.5522	13.97	21.55		
Sep	2.3175	14.16	21.78	2.3355	15.96	23.58	2.2075	1.4767	13.29	20.55		
Oct	2.2014	12.28	19.56	2.2194	14.08	21.36	1.9662	1.4422	12.98	19.41		
Nov	1.9179	12.16	18.45	1.9359	13.96	20.25	1.9578	1.4289	12.86	19.26		
Dec	2.0191	11.82	18.47	2.0371	13.62	20.27	1.7513	1.3756	12.38	18.08		
Jan 2012	1.7395	13.17	18.80	1.7575	14.97	20.60	1.7248	1.3389	12.05	17.67		
Feb	1.7170	11.42	17.03	1.7350	13.22	18.83	1.5809	1.3133	11.82	16.94		
Mar	1.6355	10.96	16.30	1.6535	12.76	18.10	1.5367	1.2911	11.62	16.59		
Apr	1.5239	10.70	15.66	1.5419	12.50	17.46		1.2322	11.09			
May	1.5633	10.76	15.85	1.5813	12.56	17.65		1.1633	10.47			

		Cla	ass III Price	Class IV Price					
Month/Year	Butterfat	Protein	Other Solids	Skim Milk	3.50%	Butterfat	Nonfat Solids	Skim Milk	3.50%
	lb.	lb.	lb.	cwt.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	cwt.	cwt.
Mar 2011	2.2859	3.3024	0.2665	11.81	19.40	2.2859	1.3134	11.82	19.41
Apr	2.2113	2.4984	0.2902	9.46	16.87	2.2113	1.3862	12.48	19.78
May	2.2497	2.3133	0.3026	8.96	16.52	2.2497	1.4298	12.87	20.29
Jun	2.3702	2.9807	0.3339	11.21	19.11	2.3702	1.4694	13.22	21.05
Jul	2.2511	3.8292	0.3608	14.00	21.39	2.2511	1.4336	12.90	20.33
Aug	2.2985	3.8305	0.3811	14.12	21.67	2.2985	1.3920	12.53	20.14
Sep	2.2005	3.0282	0.4053	11.78	19.07	2.2005	1.3623	12.26	19.53
Oct	1.9592	2.9211	0.4286	11.58	18.03	1.9592	1.3297	11.97	18.41
Nov	1.9508	3.2341	0.4521	12.69	19.07	1.9508	1.2716	11.44	17.87
Dec	1.7443	3.3404	0.4683	13.12	18.77	1.7443	1.2398	11.16	16.87
Jan 2012	1.7178	2.7326	0.5032	11.44	17.05	1.7178	1.2141	10.93	16.56
Feb	1.5739	2.6627	0.4541	10.93	16.06	1.5739	1.1993	10.79	15.92
Mar	1.5297	2.6571	0.4239	10.74	15.72	1.5297	1.5297	10.36	15.35

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)
	\$ per cwt.	\$ per cwt.	\$ per lb.	\$ per lb.	\$ per lb.	\$ per cwt.	\$ per cwt.
Jan 2011	0.64	14.12	2.0239	1.7590	0.2002	0.00070	16.12
Feb	0.23	17.23	2.2967	2.5586	0.2310	0.00087	18.99
Mar	0.03	19.43	2.2859	3.3024	0.2665	0.00099	20.70
Apr	0.64	17.51	2.2113	2.4984	0.2902	0.00085	18.97
May	0.74	17.26	2.2497	2.3133	0.3026	0.00083	18.86
Jun	0.47	19.58	2.3702	2.9807	0.3339	0.00095	20.56
Jul	0.21	21.60	2.2511	3.8292	0.3608	0.00106	21.84
Aug	0.25	21.92	2.2985	3.8305	0.3811	0.00107	22.23
Sep	0.64	19.71	2.2005	3.0282	0.4053	0.00093	20.88
Oct	0.38	18.41	1.9592	2.9211	0.4286	0.00087	20.14
Nov	0.08	19.15	1.9508	3.2341	0.4521	0.00092	20.97
Dec	(0.06)	18.71	1.7443	3.3404	0.4683	0.00090	20.70
Jan 2012	0.39	17.44	1.7178	2.7326	0.5032	0.00080	19.33
Feb	0.29	16.35	1.5739	2.6627	0.4541	0.00077	
Mar	0.26	15.98	1.5297	2.6571	0.4239	0.00076	

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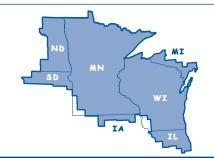
Uniform or Statistical Uniform Price at 3.5% Butterfat

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Federal Order Number / Name		Producer Deliveries	Class I Producer Receipts	Class I Utilization	Class I Price	Producer Price Differential	FOB Market	FOB Cook Cty. Illinois	Change From Previous Year
		Thousand Pounds		Percent	Dollars per Cwt		Dollars per Cwt		
1	Northeast	2,160,928	860,883	39.8	\$ 19.55	\$1.92	\$ 17.64	\$ 16.19	\$(2.64)
5	Appalachian	515,084	331,916	64.4	19.70	n/a	18.48	16.88	(2.58)
6	Florida	254,175	219,505	86.4	21.70	n/a	20.83	17.23	(2.05)
7	Southeast	666,207	392,250	58.9	20.10	n/a	18.62	16.62	(2.65)
30	Upper Midwest	2,938,229	323,368	11.0	18.10	0.26	15.98	15.98	(3.45)
32	Central	1,533,632	422,548	27.6	18.30	0.50	16.22	16.02	(2.99)
33	Mideast	1,557,717	534,204	34.3	18.30	0.83	16.55	16.35	(2.85)
124	Pacific Northwest	719,061	191,294	26.6	18.20	0.42	16.14	16.04	(3.29)
126	Southwest	1,141,585	369,894	32.4	19.30	1.46	17.18	15.98	(3.15)
131	Arizona	434,656	121,371	27.9	18.65	n/a	16.40	15.85	(3.30)
All Market Average or Total *		11,921,274	3,767,233	31.6					

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