

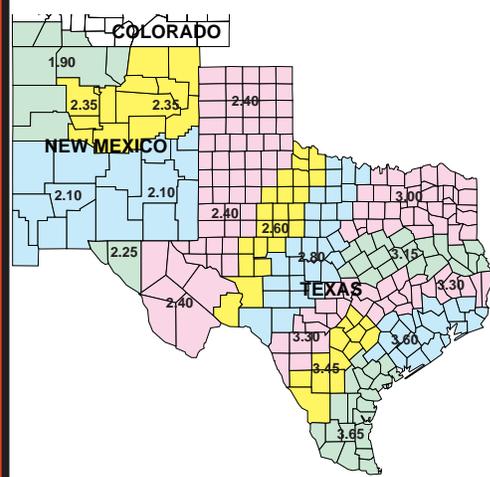
THE MARKET ADMINISTRATOR'S

REPORT



SOUTHWEST MARKETING AREA

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MARKET SUMMARY FOR APRIL

The Producer Price Differential (P.P.D.) for milk delivered to handlers located in Dallas/Tarrant counties (TX) of the Southwest Milk Market Order was \$2.64 for April. Butterfat price increased \$0.1161 per pound from \$1.0191 in March to the level of \$1.1352 for April. Protein price decreased .1767 cents per pound to \$1.7399 in April from \$1.9166 in March. April's Other Solids price decreased \$0.0016 per pound from the previous month to \$0.0408. The Somatic Cell Count adjustment rate factor remained the same in April as it was in March at .00055 per thousand (difference from 350).

For comparison in hundredweights, producers who delivered milk to handlers located in Dallas/Tarrant counties (TX) received an April statistical uniform price of \$12.05 per hundredweight for milk testing 3.5% butterfat, 2.99% true protein, 5.69% other solids and 350,000 SCC. This is an increase of 15 cents in comparison to the statistical blend price of \$11.90 in March.

The April Class I price increased 9 cents from \$13.84 in March to the April level of \$13.93. The Class II price for April of \$12.10 per hundredweight increased 39 cents from \$11.71 in March. April's Class III price decreased 13 cents from \$9.54 in March to \$9.41 in April. The Class IV price increased 38 cents from the previous month to \$11.38.

Producers delivered a total of 742,209,343 pounds of milk during April. On a daily basis this represents a decrease of 6.58 percent from the producer receipts level in March but it represents an increase of 12.32 percent when compared to the producer receipts level of April 1999.

Producer milk classified as Class I during April amounted to 42.20 percent of total producer receipts. This figure is up slightly from 42.09 percent in March but it is down from 50.39 percent in April 1999. The average butterfat test of producer milk pooled during April was 3.580 percent, average protein test was 3.050 percent, average other solids test was 5.705 percent and the average somatic cell count was 306,000.

Federal Order	Statistical Uniform Price		Producer Price Differential		Class I Utilization	
	Apr 00	Mar 00	Apr 00	Mar 00	Apr 00	Mar 00
Pacific Northwest	11.31	11.17	1.90	1.63	27.76	30.93
Western	10.76	11.02	1.35	1.48	19.38	25.13
Arizona-Las Vegas	11.44	11.28	-----	-----	26.71	30.11
Central	10.84	10.91	1.43	1.37	28.44	31.78
Southwest	12.05	11.90	2.64	2.36	42.20	42.09
Upper Midwest	10.15	10.18	0.74	0.64	15.70	16.30
Southeast	12.88	12.83	-----	-----	57.09	62.44
Mideast	11.77	11.68	2.36	2.14	47.30	50.30
Appalachian	13.23	13.15	-----	-----	60.22	64.05
Northeast	12.46	12.39	3.05	2.85	39.00	42.00
Florida	14.55	14.47	-----	-----	81.75	87.34

**FEDERAL ORDER MAILBOX MILK PRICES
ANNUAL AVERAGES 1997-1999, WITH COMPARISONS 1/**

Federal Milk Order <u>2/</u>	Annual Averages <u>3/</u>			1999 Compared to:	
	1997	1998	1999	1998	1997
	Dollars per cwt.				
New England <u>4/</u>	13.24	14.89	14.27	- 0.62	1.03
New York-New Jersey	12.75	14.70	14.09	- 0.61	1.34
Middle Atlantic	12.94	14.90	14.02	- 0.88	1.08
Northeast Average <u>3/</u>	12.92	14.79	14.12	- 0.67	1.20
Carolina	14.34	16.08	15.82	- 0.26	1.48
Southeast	13.56	15.36	14.87	- 0.49	1.31
Florida	15.89	17.43	17.34	- 0.09	1.45
Southeast Average <u>3/</u>	14.37	16.07	15.71	- 0.36	1.34
Southern Michigan	12.93	14.84	14.35	- 0.49	1.42
E. Ohio - Western Pa.	12.92	15.01	14.42	- 0.59	1.50
Ohio Valley	12.99	14.93	14.52	- 0.41	1.53
Indiana	13.08	14.97	14.64	- 0.33	1.56
Chicago Regional <u>5/</u>	13.21	15.36	13.53	- 1.83	0.32
S. Illinois-E. Missouri	12.71	14.52	14.49	- 0.03	1.78
Louis.-Lex.-Evans.	13.29	15.06	15.07	0.01	1.78
Upper Midwest <u>5/</u>	12.92	15.27	13.18	- 2.09	0.26
Nebraska-W. Iowa	12.73	14.52	13.35	- 1.17	0.62
Iowa	12.95	14.67	13.36	- 1.31	0.41
Midwest Average <u>3/</u>	13.04	15.13	13.76	- 1.37	0.72
Texas	12.82	14.72	14.02	- 0.70	1.20
Southwest Plains	12.28	14.16	13.54	- 0.62	1.26
Eastern Colorado	12.23	14.58	13.96	- 0.62	1.73
S.W. Idaho- E. Oregon	11.64	13.39	11.82	- 1.57	0.18
Great Basin	11.68	13.85	12.85	- 1.00	1.17
New Mexico-W. Texas	12.01	13.71	13.18	- 0.53	1.17
Pacific Northwest	12.36	14.59	13.32	- 1.27	0.96
West Average <u>3/</u>	12.29	14.33	13.36	- 0.97	1.07
All Market Average <u>3/</u>	12.99	14.99	13.99	- 1.00	1.00

1/ Net pay price received by dairy farmers marketing milk to handlers regulated under the Federal milk orders. Includes all payments received for milk sold and all costs associated with marketing the milk. Price is reported at the market average butterfat test. 2/ Federal milk orders for which information could be released. 3/ All averages are weighted using the proportion of monthly producer deliveries marketed under the respective order or group of orders for which the price is reported. 4/ Includes Northeast Dairy Compact Over Order Producer Price. 5/ Includes payments for milk that, while normally associated with the market, was not pooled due to disadvantageous price relationships.

TOP TEN TEXAS COUNTIES a/ – APRIL 2000

County	Number of Producers	Pounds	% Change From 1999b/	County	Number of Producers	Pounds	% Change From 1999b/
1. Erath	146	140,866,709	+5.05	7. Johnson	36	16,598,708	-4.00
2. Hopkins	213	55,646,884	+1.04	8. Hamilton	20	15,765,006	-17.95
3. Comanche	48	49,113,589	+18.86	9. Lamb	3	11,229,082	+16.06
4. Archer	58	24,710,858	+14.60	10. Van Zandt	19	11,123,463	+1.71
5. El Paso	8	22,541,737	-8.44	Ten County Total	609	364,535,362	+2.96 b/
6. Wood	58	16,939,326	-10.06	Other Counties Total	513	171,175,741	-.32
				Texas Total	1,122	535,711,103	+1.89

a/ Includes all known Grade "A" milk produced on farms located in Texas.
 b/ Compared to top ten counties for the month in the previous year.

Class Prices at 3.5%, for Federal Orders 126 Formula Prices and Price Quotations

Month	Class Prices & P.P.D.					Component Prices			NASS Product Prices				
	I	II	III	IV	P.P.D.	BF	Other Solids	True Protein	SCC ^{c/} Adj Rate	Grade AA Butter	Cheddar Cheese	NFDM Powder	Dry Whey
	----- Dollars Per Hundred Wt. -----					-----Cents Per Pound-----							
February	20.50	17.64	10.27	12.78		144.44	5.44	200.06	.00065	129.84	129.25	103.59	18.97
March	19.43	16.57	11.62	12.36		144.87	5.65	204.28	.00065	130.19	130.64	101.69	19.17
April	13.43	10.57	11.81	11.06		110.00	4.91	251.04	.00066	101.60	131.26	100.71	18.45
May	14.78	11.92	11.26	11.62		117.57	3.81	219.84	.00062	107.81	124.99	100.69	17.39
June	14.97	12.11	11.42	13.29		164.26	3.52	169.92	.00064	146.09	127.86	100.46	17.11
July	14.42	11.56	13.59	12.37		154.30	3.66	244.31	.00073	137.93	145.83	100.54	17.24
August	14.58	11.72	15.79	12.62		152.96	4.55	334.21	.00086	136.83	171.54	100.89	18.10
September	16.75	13.89	16.26	12.37		147.71	5.39	338.53	.00085	132.52	170.84	101.74	18.92
October	18.95	16.09	11.49	11.78		123.57	5.93	261.38	.00070	112.73	139.34	101.83	19.44
November	19.42	16.56	9.79	11.57		115.82	5.65	206.96	.00060	106.37	120.58	101.68	19.17
December	14.65	11.79	9.63	10.69		98.04	5.39	206.15	.00057	91.79	113.71	101.11	18.92
Averages 1999b/	16.82	13.96	12.43	12.14		136.02	5.15	247.16	.00070	122.94	139.84	101.78	18.69
January	13.90	11.43	10.05	10.73	1.96	93.66	5.03	216.77	.00058	88.20	115.17	101.15	18.57
February	13.71	11.51	9.54	10.80	2.28	95.88	4.32	198.49	.00055	90.02	110.67	101.06	17.88
March	13.84	11.71	9.54	11.00	2.36	101.91	4.24	191.66	.00055	94.97	110.93	100.94	17.80
April	13.93	12.10	9.41	11.38	2.64	113.52	4.08	173.99	.00055	104.49	110.11	100.78	17.65

a/ Subject to zone and location adjustments. b/ Simple averages c/ SCC adjustment rate is per 1,000 difference.

TOP NEW MEXICO COUNTIES a/ – APRIL 2000

County	Number of Producers	Pounds	% Change From 1999b/	County	Number of Producers	Pounds	% Change From 1999b/
1. Chaves	41	151,748,780	+8.98	7. Bernalillo	8	10,878,740	+1.51
2. Dona Ana	25	71,771,210	+7.29	8. Socorro	7	10,397,510	+7.20
3. Curry	13	59,670,205	+19.96	9. Valencia	10	9,813,885	+2.48
4. Roosevelt	32	56,903,026	+10.99				
5. Lea	14	35,405,294	+9.76	Nine County Total	156	432,917,013	+10.03
6. Eddy	6	26,328,363	+9.50	Other Counties Total	4	5,579,265	-3.56
				New Mexico Total	160	438,496,278	+9.84

a/ All known Grade "A" milk produced on farms located in New Mexico.
 b/ Compared to top counties for the month in the previous year.

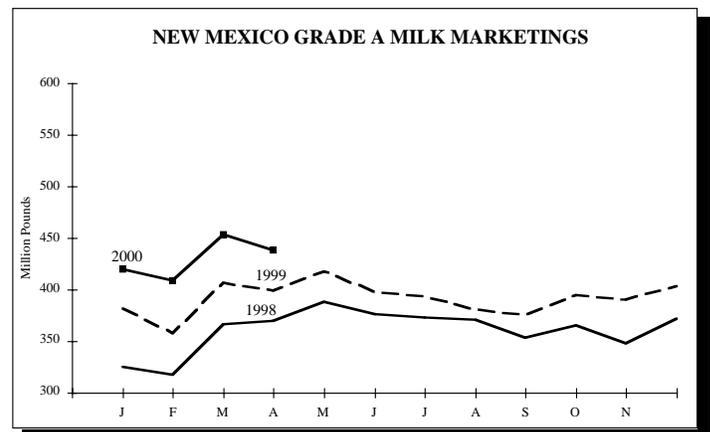
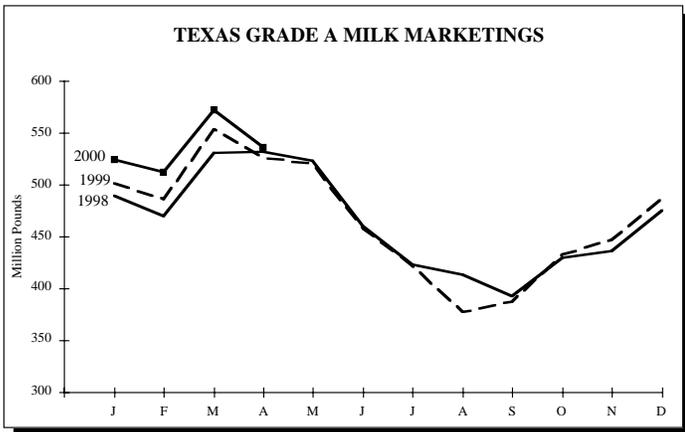
**POUNDS OF GRADE A MILK MARKETED BY
PRODUCERS LOCATED IN TEXAS BY MONTHS:
JANUARY 1998 THROUGH APRIL 2000, WITH PERCENTAGE COMPARISONS**

MONTH	1998 POUNDS	Number of Producers	1999 POUNDS	Number of Producers	2000 POUNDS	Number of Producers	PERCENT CHANGE 1999/98	PERCENT CHANGE 2000/99
January	491,168,340	1,359	501,754,729	1,251	523,604,151	1,155	+2.16	+4.35
February	469,305,849	1,347	486,044,271	1,245	512,511,151	1,140	+3.57	+5.44
March	532,588,272	1,339	553,983,640	1,241	571,648,589	1,134	+4.02	+3.19
April	532,823,237	1,336	525,773,380	1,233	535,711,103	1,122	-1.32	+1.89
May	524,523,430	1,319	519,613,189	1,219			-.94	
June	464,057,905	1,321	458,247,406	1,216			-1.25	
July	422,973,696	1,305	421,340,140	1,206			-.39	
August	413,296,879	1,298	377,392,147	1,197			-8.69	
September	392,427,802	1,300	386,931,407	1,189			-1.40	
October	429,372,951	1,289	432,175,585	1,181			+6.65	
November	435,572,798	1,271	447,062,545	1,166			+2.64	
December	<u>474,573,747</u>	1,260	<u>485,682,323</u>	1,160			<u>+2.34</u>	
Years Total	5,582,684,906		5,596,058,417				+2.24	

**POUNDS OF GRADE A MILK MARKETED BY
PRODUCERS LOCATED IN NEW MEXICO BY MONTHS:
JANUARY 1998 THROUGH APRIL 2000, WITH PERCENTAGE COMPARISONS**

MONTH	1998 POUNDS	Number of Producers	1999 POUNDS	Number of Producers	2000 POUNDS	Number of Producers	PERCENT CHANGE 1999/98	PERCENT CHANGE 2000/99
January	324,314,276	158	381,115,401	156	419,358,633	159	+17.51	+10.03
February	317,500,751	156	358,049,940	157	408,598,295	159	+12.77	+14.12
March	366,656,779	157	406,789,374	156	453,457,801	159	+10.95	+11.47*
April	369,782,775	156	399,229,362	157	438,496,278	160	+7.96	+9.84
May	388,308,155	155	416,852,251	157			+7.35	
June	378,569,203	159	397,483,877	159			+5.00	
July	372,803,402	157	393,796,366	158			+5.63	
August	370,668,016	156	380,628,318	158			+2.69	
September	353,457,040	155	374,886,452	160			+6.06	
October	365,469,264	159	394,366,657	162			+7.91	
November	348,126,652	158	389,857,074	159			+11.99	
December	<u>371,894,332</u>	157	<u>403,101,846</u>	158			<u>+8.39</u>	
Years Total	4,327,550,645		4,696,156,918				+8.52	

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TEXAS AND NEW MEXICO MARKET COMPONENT TEST

Month	Butterfat		Protein ^{b/}		Other Solids ^{b/}		S-N-F		SCC ^{a/}	
	TX	NM	TX	NM	TX	NM	TX	NM	TX	NM
April	3.50	3.52	3.04	3.01	5.70	5.68	8.74	8.69	342	242
May	3.52	3.48	3.00	2.97	5.70	5.69	8.70	8.66	348	240
June	3.53	3.45	3.00	2.95	5.66	5.68	8.66	8.63	395	265
July	3.52	3.40	3.01	2.92	5.63	5.65	8.64	8.57	408	290
August	3.54	3.43	3.02	2.95	5.61	5.65	8.63	8.60	429	310
September	3.60	3.50	3.10	3.01	5.61	5.66	8.71	8.67	420	305
October	3.70	3.61	3.15	3.09	5.63	5.65	8.78	8.74	357	273
November	3.71	3.67	3.13	3.10	5.65	5.65	8.78	8.75	333	244
December	3.75	3.72	3.13	3.13	5.66	5.68	8.79	8.81	324	248
Averages	3.60	3.55	3.07	3.02	5.66	5.67	8.73	8.69	369	267
January 2000	3.71	3.68	3.08	3.08	5.69	5.68	8.77	8.77	313	257
February	3.68	3.62	3.06	3.06	5.70	5.69	8.76	8.75	318	252
March	3.62	3.59	3.05	3.04	5.71	5.70	8.76	8.74	318	253
April	3.59	3.55	3.06	3.03	5.71	5.70	8.76	8.73	343	257

a/ In thousands. b/ Estimated for 1999: True Protein = Crude Protein - .19 and Other Solids = SNF - True Protein

**APRIL 2000
COMPUTATION OF PRODUCER PRICE DIFFERENTIAL**

		Pounds	Price	Value
Add: Class I Differential				\$407,722.85
Class I Butterfat	60(a)	7,253,550	\$1.0289	\$7,463,177.61
Class I Skim Per Cwt		305,967,131	\$10.7000	\$32,738,483.02
Class II Butterfat	60(b)	4,860,723	\$1.1422	\$5,551,917.82
Class II Nonfat Solids		6,097,309	\$0.9333	\$5,690,618.50
Class III Butterfat	60(c)	11,073,766	\$1.1352	\$12,570,939.19
Class III Protein		9,616,396	\$1.7399	\$16,731,567.43
Class III Other Solids		18,057,558	\$0.0408	\$736,748.36
Class IV Butterfat	60(d)	3,384,805	\$1.1352	\$3,842,430.62
Class IV Nonfat Solids		3,348,474	\$0.8537	\$2,858,592.29
Class II, III & IV Somatic Cell Adj.	60(e)			\$143,555.86
Total Producer Milk-Product Lbs & Value		742,209,343		\$88,735,753.55
Add: Value as for 60(f) Thru 60(j)				\$68,528.15
Less: Total Protein Pounds	61(b)	22,634,703	\$1.7399	\$39,382,119.76
Total Other Solids Pounds		42,341,800	\$0.0408	\$1,727,545.48
Total Butterfat Pounds		26,572,844	\$1.1352	\$30,165,492.52
Total Value of Somatic Cell Adjustment				\$179,959.03
Total Milk and Value		742,209,343		\$17,349,164.91
Add: Location Differential Adjustments	61(c)			\$2,255,509.44
Producer-Settlement Fund	61(d)			\$348,008.73
Total Producer Milk/URSP and Value		742,515,456	\$2.68717	\$19,952,683.08
Less: Producer-Settlement Fund	61(f)		\$0.04717	\$350,275.04
Producer Price Differential (Dallas County)			\$2.64	\$19,602,408.04

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APRIL 2000
PRODUCER MILK AND COMPONENT UTILIZATION PERCENTAGES

Producer Milk Utilization Percentages						
	Product Pounds	Percent	Butterfat Pounds	Percent	Skim Milk Pounds	Percent
Class I	313,220,681	42.20	7,253,550	27.30	305,967,131	42.75
Class II	71,934,914	9.69	4,860,723	18.29	67,074,191	9.37
Class III	316,863,933	42.70	11,073,766	41.67	305,790,167	42.73
Class IV	40,189,815	5.41	3,384,805	12.74	36,805,010	5.15
Total	742,209,343	100.00	26,572,844	100.00	715,636,499	100.00

Producer Milk Component Utilization Percentages						
	Protein Pounds	Percent	Other Solids Pounds	Percent	Nonfat Solids Pounds	Percent
Class I	9,722,897	42.95	18,133,870	42.82	27,856,766	42.88
Class II	2,126,083	9.39	3,971,225	9.38	6,097,309	9.38
Class III	9,616,396	42.49	18,057,558	42.65	27,673,954	42.59
Class IV	1,169,327	5.17	2,179,147	5.15	3,348,474	5.15
Total	22,634,703	100.00	42,341,800	100.00	64,976,503	100.00