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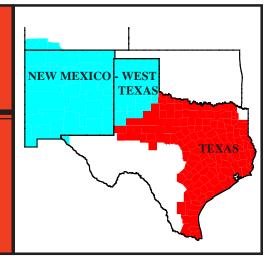


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NEW MEXICO - WEST TEXAS MARKETING AREA

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MARKET SUMMARIES FOR JUNE

The June Class III price increased 4 cents from the previous month to \$10.74. The Class II price for June of \$11.74 per hundredweight decreased \$1.05 from \$12.79 in May. June's Class III-A price increased 66 cents from May's level to \$12.22.

Texas: Producers who delivered milk to handlers located in Zones 1 and 2 of the Texas Milk Market Order received \$12.89 per hundredweight for deliveries of milk containing 3.5% butterfat. The June price was down 43 cents from May.

Producers delivered a total of 533,906,034 pounds of milk during June. On a daily basis this represents a decrease of 18.94 percent from the producer receipts level in May and it represents a decrease of 4.67 percent when compared to the producer receipts level of June 1996.

Producer milk classified as Class I during June amounted to 47.34 percent of total producer receipts. This figure is up from May's 41.38 percent and it is up from 43.60 percent in June 1996. The average butterfat test of producer milk pooled during June 1997 was 3.409 percent.

New Mexico - West Texas: Producers who delivered milk to handlers located in Zone 1 of the New Mexico - West Texas Milk Market Order received \$11.90 per hundredweight for deliveries of milk containing 3.5% butterfat. The June price was down 58 cents from its May level.

Producers delivered a total of 202,748,986 pounds of milk during June. On a daily basis this represents an increase of 45.99 percent from the producer receipts level in May and it represents an increase of 40.12 percent when compared to the producer receipts level of June 1996.

Producer milk classified as Class I during June amounted to 24.98 percent of total producer receipts. This figure is down from 36.79 percent in May and it is down from 34.22 percent in June 1996. The average butterfat test of producer milk pooled during June 1997 was 3.37 percent.

DETERMINING CHEESE PRICE AVERAGE FOR USE IN COMPUTING THE BFP

Effective with the May Basic Formula Price (BFP), the Cheddar cheese price series being collected by the National Agricultural Statistical Service (NASS) has been used in the product price formula update portion of the BFP. The NASS price series is collected and released weekly. It covers all transactions during a week, concluding on Friday, and published on Friday of the following week. The information released is the total volume of cheese sold during the week and the average price at which this volume was sold. Since information collected and published in this manner cannot be assembled on a monthly basis, a procedure was developed to determine a "monthly" average price for use in computing the BFP.

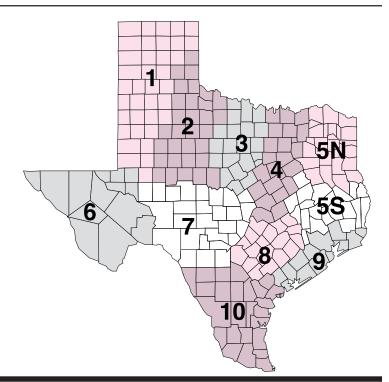
The "monthly" average cheese price for use in computing the BFP will be derived from the weekly information that has been published between the scheduled release dates of the BFP. For example, the May BFP, announced on June 5, will use NASS data for the weeks ending May 2, 9, 16, and 23. Data through the last week of May was not published until June 6, and therefore, not available for use in calculating the May BFP. However, this price will be used to compute the June monthly average cheese price. Once the information for a week has been used to compute a monthly average, that information will not be revised even if NASS issues revised data.

The monthly average will be an average of the applicable weekly prices, weighted by sales volume for the week. Each week, the price is multiplied by the weekly sales volume to yield a weekly value of cheese sold. The sum of the weekly values will be divided by the total sales volume over the covered weeks. The May monthly average was computed as follows:

Week Ending	Price	Volume	Value					
5/2	\$1.1928	5,243,234	\$6,254,129.5152					
5/9	\$1.1583	5,728,391	\$6,635,195.2953					
5/16	\$1.1579	6,223,596	\$7,206,301.8084					
5/23	\$1.1600	6,020,076	\$6,983,288.1600					
Total		23,215,297	\$27,078,914.7789					
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TEXAS GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS

AREA	REGION NAME
1	HIGH PLAINS
2	LOW PLAINS
3	CROSSTIMBERS
4	BLACKLANDS
5N	NORTH EAST
5S	SOUTH EAST
6	TRANS-PECOS
7	EDWARDS PLATEAU
8	SOUTH CENTRAL
9	UPPER COAST
10	SOUTH



TEXAS DAIRY MILK COMPONENTS FOR GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS - MAY 1997

	NUMBER OF	% OF MILK	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	SCC
REGION	PRODUCER'S	MARKETED	BUTTERFAT	PROTEIN	LACTOSE	S-N-F	(1,000)
1	25	3.67	3.52	3.12	4.81	8.65	328
2	19	1.13	3.58	3.17	4.77	8.65	488
3	447	44.92	3.47	3.19	4.80	8.71	383
4	204	9.19	3.53	3.19	4.79	8.70	401
5N	693	29.85	3.42	3.20	4.76	8.68	407
5S	31	0.79	3.43	3.13	4.72	8.56	431
6	13	4.63	3.38	3.04	4.78	8.53	250
7	19	1.44	3.58	3.18	4.78	8.68	430
8	71	2.79	3.77	3.24	4.73	8.69	397
9	6	0.26	3.34	3.19	4.70	8.61	552
10	22	1.33	4.00	3.36	4.73	8.82	414
TOTAL	1,550	100.00	3.48	3.19	4.79	8.69	387

TEXAS DAIRY MILKING HERD SIZE ARRAY FOR GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS* - MAY 1997

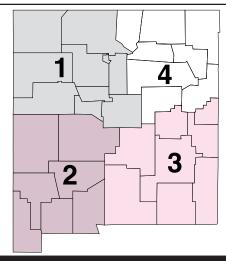
NUMBER OF FARMS PER HERD SIZE GROUP

			(MILK	ING COW NUM	BERS)		Total #
REGION	0-100	101-250	251-500	501-750	751-1000	1001->	Milking Cows
1	5	6	6	4	1	3	11,421
2	12	4	1	0	0	2	3,508
3	136	150	81	30	23	27	139,736
4	113	66	18	5	0	2	28,597
5N	357	261	60	8	5	2	92,878
5S	25	4	2	0	0	0	2,468
6	2	1	4	0	0	6	14,394
7	9	5	2	2	0	1	4,494
8	48	14	5	3	1	0	8,676
9	1	5	0	0	0	0	811
10	13	4	1	4	0	0	4,138
TOTAL	721	520	180	56	30	43	311,121

^{*}ESTIMATED BASED ON A 55 LB/DAY/COW AVERAGE

NEW MEXICO GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS

AREA	REGION NAME
1	NORTHWEST
2	SOUTHWEST
3	SOUTHEAST
4	NORTHEAST



NEW MEXICO DAIRY MILK COMPONENTS FOR GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS - MAY 1997

	NUMBER OF	% OF MILK	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	SCC
REGION	PRODUCER'S	MARKETED	BUTTERFAT	PROTEIN	LACTOSE	S-N-F	(1,000)
1	24	7.42	3.56	3.13	4.83	8.68	216
2	33	23.12	3.35	3.10	4.83	8.64	225
3	101	69.46	3.37	3.10	4.80	8.61	265
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	158	100.00	3.38	3.11	4.82	8.63	250

NEW MEXICO DAIRY MILKING HERD SIZE FOR GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS* - MAY 1997

NUMBER OF FARMS PER HERD SIZE GROUP

		(MILKING COW NUMBERS)									
REGION	0-250	251-500	501-1000	1001-2000	2001-3000	3001->	Milking Cows				
1	11	3	7	2	1	0	12,927				
2	2	7	3	18	2	1	40,260				
3	11	10	24	42	12	2	120,962				
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
TOTAL	24	20	34	62	15	3	174,149				
*ESTIMATED BAS	SED ON A 65 LI	B/DAY/COW AVERA	GE								

Minimum Prices at	linimum Prices at 3.5%, for Federal Orders 126 and 138 (Zone 1)								Formula Prices (3.5%) and Price Quotations			
	Cla	ss I a/			Class	Unifo	orm a/		Grade A	Block	Spray	
	126	138	Class II	Class III	III-A	126	138	B F Diff.	Butter	Cheese	Powder	
Month			Dollars F	er Hundred	d Wt			¢/Point	Ce	nts Per Pound		
May 1996	15.86	15.05	13.00	13.77	11.90	14.43	13.82	8.4	89.16	149.25	116.00	
June	16.25	15.44	13.39	13.92	15.12	15.03	14.56	14.1	130.63	149.33	129.75	
July	16.93	16.12	14.07	14.49	16.01	15.78	15.07	15.9	144.87	156.23	132.57	
August	17.08	16.27	14.22	14.94	15.82	16.12	15.37	15.8	145.00	163.58	130.91	
September	17.65	16.84	14.79	15.37	15.85	16.65	15.84	15.6	145.00	169.42	131.90	
October	18.10	17.29	15.24	14.13	14.94	16.79	15.14	13.1	124.45	157.93	131.55	
November	18.53	17.72	15.67	11.61	12.18	16.37	13.43	6.5	71.47	132.45	126.59	
December	17.29	16.48	14.43	11.34	11.75	14.89	12.80	6.8	73.02	123.73	120.55	
Averages 1996 b/	16.79	15.98	13.93	13.39	13.00	15.20	14.03	10.0	99.82	146.63	122.16	
January 1997	14.77	13.96	11.91	11.94	11.50	13.50	12.55	7.8	81.74	127.05	113.94	
February	14.50	13.69	11.64	12.46	12.36	13.42	12.79	10.0	98.46	131.24	114.91	
March	15.10	14.29	12.24	12.49	12.78	13.66	13.07	11.0	105.81	132.34	115.78	
April	15.62	14.81	12.76	11.44	12.10	13.61	12.70	9.4	91.90	123.78	114.40	
May	15.65	14.84	12.79	10.70	11.56	13.32	12.48	9.0	87.40	116.64	109.83	
June	14.60	13.79	11.74	10.74	12.22	12.89	11.90	11.4	105.00	115.83	107.88	
July	13.86	13.05	11.00									
August	13.90	13.09	11.04									

a/ Subject to zone and location adjustments. b/ Simple averages

POUNDS OF GRADE A MILK MARKETED BY PRODUCERS LOCATED IN TEXAS BY MONTHS: JANUARY 1995 THROUGH JUNE 1997, WITH PERCENTAGE COMPARISONS **

	1995	Number of	1996	Number of	1997	Number of	PERCENT	CHANGE
MONTH	POUNDS	Producers	POUNDS	Producers	POUNDS	Producers	1996/95*	1997/96
January	544,665,125	1,918	549,914,311	1,786	540,921,813	1,610	+.96	-1.64
February	519,646,630	1,911	536,326,949	1,773	503,177,566	1,591	35	-2.83
March	579,936,046	1,902	590,936,348	1,745	560,823,025	1,566	+1.90	-5.10
April	560,828,983	1,886	575,799,475	1,738	539,258,903	1,553	+2.67	-6.35
May	552,635,192	1,884	567,120,914	1,714	530,457,547	1,550	+2.62	-6.46
June	505,013,242	1,864	490,380,980	1,683	468,546,651	1,523	-2.90	-4.45
July	479,245,070	1,866	454,376,230	1,670			-5.19	
August	448,110,385	1,858	448,420,253	1,652			+.07	
September	437,779,650	1,844	427,623,846	1,639			-2.32	
October	481,136,358	1,837	466,085,603	1,637			-3.13	
November	480,929,263	1,826	474,250,855	1,636			-1.39	
December	524,145,612	1,800	516,304,359	1,620			<u>-1.50</u>	
Years Total	6,114,071,556		6,098,233,434				26	

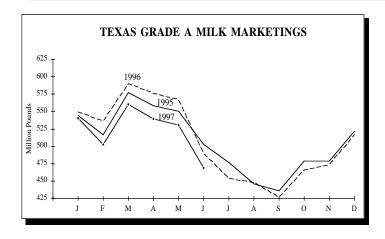
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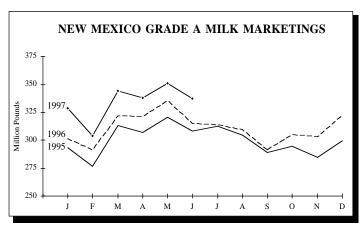
POUNDS OF GRADE A MILK MARKETED BY PRODUCERS LOCATED IN NEW MEXICO BY MONTHS: JANUARY 1995 THROUGH JUNE 1997, WITH PERCENTAGE COMPARISONS **

	1995	Number of	1996	Number of	1997	Number of	PERCENT	CHANGE
MONTH	POUNDS	Producers	POUNDS	Producers	POUNDS	Producers	1996/95	1997/96
January	293,542,014	156	301,646,087	153	328,059,604	156	+2.76	+8.76
February	276,638,548	155	291,741,013	154	303,972,265	156	+1.82	+7.91
March	313,161,171	152	321,854,914	154	343,866,862	157	+2.78	+6.84
April	307,337,393	152	321,032,089	153	337,943,697	157	+4.46	+5.27
May	320,781,400	154	335,537,514	153	350,910,125	158	+4.60	+4.58
June	309,224,349	153	314,856,503	153	337,592,757	158	+1.82	+7.22
July	312,630,262	153	313,553,863	154			+.30	
August	304,582,850	153	309,399,050	155			+1.58	
September	288,872,854	156	293,390,938	157			+1.56*	
October	294,564,685	154	307,608,027	156			+4.43*	
November	284,775,780	155	303,433,595	157			+6.55	
December	299,367,034	153	322,470,035	157			<u>+7.72</u>	
Years Total	3,605,478,340		3,736,523,628				+3.63	

^{*}Revised figures

^{**}February figures are based upon average daily production.





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	<u>Butte</u>	<u>erfat</u>	Prot	<u>ein</u>	Lact	<u>ose</u>	<u>S-N</u>	<u> 1-F</u>	SC	<u>C*</u>
<u>Month</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>NM</u>	TX	<u>NM</u>	TX	<u>NM</u>	TX	<u>NM</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>NM</u>
June 1996	3.41	3.40	3.07	3.03	4.79	4.81	8.57	8.55	343	224
July	3.43	3.40	3.12	3.04	4.75	4.78	8.58	8.52	429	259
August	3.50	3.44	3.20	3.10	4.71	4.75	8.59	8.55	446	272
September	3.60	3.54	3.24	3.17	4.70	4.76	8.64	8.65	455	271
October	3.65	3.58	3.29	3.23	4.72	4.77	8.72	8.70	377	238
November	3.67	3.60	3.29	3.28	4.75	4.78	8.75	8.78	378	224
December	3.66	3.58	3.27	3.25	4.77	4.80	8.75	8.77	378	223
Average 1996	3.58	3.55	3.19	3.14	4.77	4.80	8.67	8.65	358	234
January 1997	3.67	3.62	3.25	3.23	4.79	4.80	8.75	8.74	373	257
February	3.64	3.59	3.24	3.21	4.79	4.81	8.73	8.73	397	280
March	3.57	3.54	3.20	3.16	4.79	4.81	8.70	8.68	400	271
April	3.52	3.50	3.21	3.15	4.79	4.82	8.71	8.69	378	251
May	3.48	3.38	3.19	3.11	4.79	4.82	8.69	8.63	387	250
June	3.46	3.33	3.16	3.08	4.77	4.81	8.64	8.60	436	264
* In thousands.										

NEW MEXICO - WEST TEXAS MILK MARKET AT A GLANCE

	REPORTED JUN. 1997	REPORTED MAY 1997	REPORTED JUN. 1996
TOTAL UTILIZATION			
CLASS I	51,701,386	54,390,476	51,516,838
CLASS II	10,240,907	7,117,531	7,371,897
CLASS III/III-A	155,342,040	151,749,235	97,014,144
CLOSING INVENTORY (CLASS I, II AND III)	11,662,522	11,029,372	9,531,363
TOTAL UTILIZATION	228,946,855	224,286,614	165,434,242
DAILY CLASS I UTILIZATION	1,723,380	1,754,531	1,717,228
JUNDAILY CLASS I COMPARED TO:	, -,	- 1.78%	+ .36%
CLASS I YEAR TO DATE (IN THOUSANDS)	328,975	277,273	349,194
% CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	- 5.79%	- 6.86%	19%
TOTAL RECEIPTS			
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS I	50,649,677	52,801,518	49,510,329
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS II	9,227,947	5,488,689	6,231,691
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS III/III-A	142,871,362	85,216,699	88,957,976
TOTAL PRODUCER RECEIPTS	202,748,986	143,506,906	144,699,996
OTHER SOURCE A/	15,116,014	68,859,535	14,546,307
OPENING INVENTORY	11,079,823	11,916,978	6,187,420
OVERAGE	2,032	3,195	519
TOTAL RECEIPTS	228,946,855	224,286,614	165,434,242
DAILY PRODUCER RECEIPTS	6,758,300	4,629,255	4,823,333
JUNDAILY PRODUCER RECEIPTS COMPARED TO:	0,100,000	+ 45.99%	+ 40.12%
PRODUCER RECEIPTS YEAR TO DATE (IN THOUSANDS)	1,155,420	952,671	896,351
% CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	+ 28.90%	+ 26.74%	- 11.18%
AVERAGE BUTTERFAT TEST OF PRODUCER RECEIPTS	3.365%	3.442%	3.417%
% PRODUCER MILK CLASSIFIED AS CLASS I	24.98%	36.79%	34.22%
NUMBER OF PRODUCERS	149	127	189
AVERAGE DAILY DELIVERY PER PRODUCER	45,358	36,451	25,520
NUMBER OF POOL HANDLERS	17	16	17

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	REPORTED	REPORTED	REPORTED	
	JUN. 1997	MAY 1997	JUN. 1996	
TOTAL UTILIZATION				
CLASS I	253,372,542	282,505,162	247,539,012	
CLASS II	124,034,042	120,137,187	113,722,109	
CLASS III/III-A	174,016,661	308,058,733	203,582,856	
CLOSING INVENTORY (CLASS I, II AND III)	30,701,416	25,096,359	33,396,315	
TOTAL UTILIZATION	582,124,661	735,797,441	598,240,292	
DAILY CLASS I UTILIZATION	8,445,751	9,113,070	8,251,300	
JUNDAILY CLASS I COMPARED TO:	0, 1 10,7 0 1	- 7.32%	+ 2.36%	
CLASS I YEAR TO DATE (IN THOUSANDS)	1,662,613	1,409,240	1,593,149	
% CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	+ 4.36%	+ 4.73%	+ .54%	
TOTAL RECEIPTS				
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS I	252,775,892	281,614,825	244,160,854	
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS II	110,883,182	103,076,350	107,029,434	
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS III/III-A	170,246,960	295,937,488	208,859,584	
TOTAL PRODUCER RECEIPTS	533,906,034	680,628,663	560,049,872	
OTHER SOURCE A/	22,805,955	25,099,331	15,524,942	
OPENING INVENTORY	25,096,359	30,034,093	22,649,000	
OVERAGE	316,313	35,354	16,478	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	582,124,661	735,797,441	598,240,292	
DAILY PRODUCER RECEIPTS	17,796,868	21,955,763	18,668,329	
JUNDAILY PRODUCER RECEIPTS COMPARED TO:		- 18.94%	- 4.67%	
PRODUCER RECEIPTS YEAR TO DATE (IN THOUSANDS)	3,568,959	3,035,053	3,697,881	
% CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	- 3.49%	- 3.28%	+ 9.52%	
AVERAGE BUTTERFAT TEST OF PRODUCER RECEIPTS	3.409%	3.438%	3.411%	
% PRODUCER MILK CLASSIFIED AS CLASS I	47.34%	41.35%	43.60%	
NUMBER OF PRODUCERS	1,690	1,846	1,771	
AVERAGE DAILY DELIVERY PER PRODUCER	10,531	11,894	10,541	
NUMBER OF POOL HANDLERS	32	35	31	

A/ INCLUDES MILK, SKIM MILK, CREAM AND SKIM EQUIVALENT OF CONCENTRATED SKIM MILK PRODUCTS.