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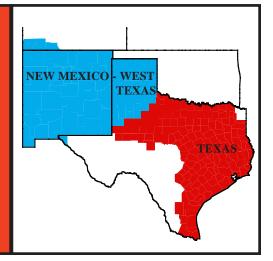
REPORT



TEXAS MARKETING AREA NEW MEXICO - WEST TEXAS MARKETING AREA

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MARKET SUMMARIES FOR OCTOBER

The October Class III price decreased \$4.77 from the previous month to \$11.49. The Class II price for October of \$16.09 per hundredweight increased \$2.20 from \$13.89 in September. October's Class III-A price decreased 59 cents from September's level to \$11.78.

Texas: Producers who delivered milk to handlers located in Zones 1 and 2 of the Texas Milk Market Order received \$16.01 per hundredweight for deliveries of milk containing 3.5% butterfat. The October price was up 10 cents from September.

Producers delivered a total of 562,652,856 pounds of milk during October. On a daily basis this represents an increase of 34.28 percent from the producer receipts level in September and it represents an increase of 13.84 percent when compared to the producer receipts level of October 1998.

Producer milk classified as Class I during October amounted to 50.11 percent of total producer receipts. This figure is down from September's 68.94 percent and it is down from 57.08 percent in October 1998. The average butterfat test of producer milk pooled during October 1999 was 3.675 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 \$14.53 per hundredweight for deliveries of milk containing 3.5% butterfat. The October price was down \$1.05 from its September level.

Producers delivered a total of 129,377,295 pounds of milk during October. On a daily basis this represents an increase of 83.23 percent from the producer receipts level in September but it represents a decrease of 5.73 percent when compared to the producer receipts level of October 1998.

Producer milk classified as Class I during October amounted to 41.00 percent of total producer receipts.

This figure is down from 79.61 percent in September but it is up from 40.90 percent in October 1998. The average butterfat test of producer milk pooled during October 1999 was 3.624 percent.

ORDER PROVISIONS SUSPENDED

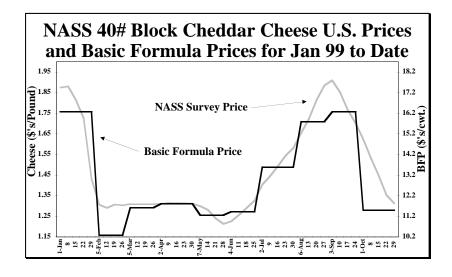
On November 3, 1999, F. Tracy Schonrock, Acting Deputy Administrator of Dairy Programs, signed two suspensions of rule which will suspend certain pooling provisions of the Texas Order 126 and the New Mexico - West Texas Order 138. This action continues for an indefinite period (until implementation of Federal order reform), a suspension of portions of the pool plant and producer milk definitions of the two orders.

Specifically, on the Texas order, the action continues the suspension of the 60 percent delivery standard for pooling cooperative association plants, the limitation on the types of pool plants at which milk receipts are used to determine the amount of milk that a cooperative may divert to nonpool plants, and the limits on the amount of milk that a pool plant operator may divert to nonpool plants. In addition, the shipping standards for pooling supply plants under the order, and the individual producer performance standards that must be met to be eligible to be diverted to a nonpool plant, also are suspended.

The New Mexico - West Texas suspension is an interim final rule with request for comments, with the comment period lasting 60 days. Specifically, the action continues the suspension of the 35 percent delivery standard for pooling cooperative association plants, the limitation on the types of pool plants at which milk receipts are used to determine the amount of milk that a cooperative may divert to nonpool plants, and the limits on the amount of milk that a pool plant operator may divert to nonpool plants.

	CALCULATION OF BAS	IC FORMULA PRICE	
Prices and Production Minnesota-Wisconsin Bas Chicago Mercantile Excha Chicago Mercantile Excha National Agricultural Statis Western States NFDM Low Western States Dry Butter	nge AA Butter nge A Butter stical Service (NASS) U.S. 40# B w/Medium Heat	Sep-99 15.09 1.3393 1.2493 locks 1.8023 1.0183 0.7474	Oct-99 1.1248 1.0348 1.4388 1.0175 0.7500
American Cheese Product NFDM Production in M/W* **Represents most recent	**	128,967 1,448	
Cheese (9.87 x NASS BI	Milk Used To Manufacture ocks) + (.238 x CME A Butter) E AA Butter) + (8.07 x WS NFD	M L/M) + (.42 x WS DBM)	\$18.0860 \$14.2504
Cheese (9.87 x NASS BI	Milk Used To Manufacture ocks) + (.238 x CME A Butter) E AA Butter) + (8.07 x WS NFD	M L/M) + (.42 x WS DBM)	\$14.4472 \$13.3291
<u>Differences in Gross</u> Cheese Butter/NFDM	<u>Values</u>		(\$3.6388) (\$0.9213)
Manufactured Products	Production		
Sep-99 Cheese Sep-99 Butter/NFDM	Pounds 128,967,000 / 9.87 1,448,000 / 8.07	Milk Equivalent 13,066,565 <u>179,430</u> 13,245,995	Percent 0.986 <u>0.014</u> 1.000
Weighted Change in Val	ues	. 0,2 .0,000	
Cheese Butter/NFDM Total Change in Value Rounded to Nearest V		,	<u>5)</u>
Basic Formula Price Sep-99 Minnesota-Wiscon Update Value	sin Base Price		\$15.09 (\$3.60)
Oct-99 Basic Formula Pr	rice		\$ <u>11.49</u>

CALCULATION OF BUTTERFAT DIFFERENTIAL October 1999								
Week End	Butter Price a/	Number of Days Used	Price Weight					
9/24 10/1 10/8 10/15 10/22 10/29	\$1.2133 \$1.1433 \$1.0583 \$0.9950 \$0.9333 \$0.9775	1 7 7 7 7 2	1.2133 8.0031 7.4081 6.9650 6.5331 1.9550					
	TOTAL Average Price	31 32.0776/31 =\$	32.0776 1.0348					
Butterfat Differential =(.138 *\$ 1.0348) - (.0028 * \$11.83 b/) = \$.110								
	chicago Mercantile Grade AA Base Price at test plus curre							



TOP TEN TEXAS COUNTIES a/ – OCTOBER 1999

<u>County</u>	Number of Producers	<u>Pounds</u>	% Change From <u>1998b/</u>		Number of Producers	<u>Pounds</u>	% Change From <u>1998b/</u>	
1. Erath	152	116,377,505	+3.18	7. Wood	63	13,453,740	-5.54	
2. Hopkins	228	40,595,487	-12.14	8. Johnson	39	12,720,089	-8.30	
3. Comanche	46	39,626,322	+12.84	9. Lamb	3	9,939,617	+73.37	
4. El Paso	8	21,657,930	+2.58	10. Cherokee	25	8,309,930	-19.38	
5. Archer	58	19,629,706	+10.04	Ten County Total	645	297,018,429	+.81 b/	
6. Hamilton	23	14,708,103	-7.23	Other Counties Total	<u>536</u>	135,157,156	+.30	
ides all known Grade ipared to top ten coun				Texas Total	1,181	432,175,585	+.65	

Minimum Prices at	Minimum 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	Per Hundre	d Wt			¢/Point	Ce	nts Per Pound	
September	17.93	17.12	15.07	15.10	19.81	16.81	16.09	32.5	266.66	165.56	110.07
October	18.15	17.34	15.29	16.04	18.13	17.29	16.63	27.3	231.89	175.34	111.80
November	18.26	17.45	15.40	16.84	14.87	17.44	16.89	17.8	165.47	183.17	112.50
December	19.20	18.39	16.34	17.34	13.48	17.85	17.08	13.2	132.31	187.07	114.90
Averages 1998b/	16.70	15.89	13.84	14.20	14.85	15.43	14.65	19.2	168.71	153.63	106.94
January 1999	20.00	19.19	17.14	16.27	13.12	18.03	16.68	13.7	133.22	175.95	108.93
February	20.50	19.69	17.64	10.27	12.78	16.27	19.03	13.9	122.53	130.10	104.37
March	19.43	18.62	16.57	11.62	12.36	15.76	14.49	13.2	120.27	130.92	102.39
April	13.43	12.62	10.57	11.81	11.06	12.33	12.03	9.5	93.98	131.31	102.28
May	14.78	13.97	11.92	11.26	11.62	12.97	12.43	11.1	103.89	126.61	102.28
June	14.97	14.16	12.11	11.42	13.29	13.37	12.84	16.1	140.31	127.47	101.39
July	14.42	13.61	11.56	13.59	12.37	13.57	13.39	13.4	125.44	147.02	101.72
August	14.58	13.77	11.72	15.79	12.62	13.97	13.61	13.6	130.63	172.13	103.84
September	16.75	15.94	13.89	16.26	12.37	15.91	15.58	12.6	124.93	180.23	104.86
October	18.95	18.14	16.09	11.49	11.78	16.01	14.53	11.0	103.48	143.88	104.51
November	19.42	18.61	16.56								
December	14.65	13.84	11.79								

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

TOP NEW MEXICO COUNTIES a/ - OCTOBER 1999

<u>County</u>	Number of Producers		% Change From <u>1998b/</u>		Number of Producers	<u>Pounds</u>	% Change From <u>1998b/</u>
1. Chaves	40	135,494,590	+7.57	7. Bernalillo	8	11,139,906	+4.35
2. Dona Ana	25	64,061,655	+5.62	8. Socorro	8	9,624,493	+12.94
3. Curry	13	55,767,921	+20.92	9. Valencia	10	9,131,358	-6.13
4. Roosevelt	35	48,864,198	+6.07				
5. Lea	13	32,517,444	+3.47	Nine County Total	158	389,426,231	+7.90
6. Eddy	6	22,824,666	+4.83	Other Counties Total	4	4,940,426	+8.62
a/ All known Grade "A" milk b/ Compared to top countie	•		Mexico.	New Mexico Total	162	394,366,657	+7.91

POUNDS OF GRADE A MILK MARKETED BY PRODUCERS LOCATED IN TEXAS BY MONTHS: JANUARY 1997 THROUGH OCTOBER 1999, WITH PERCENTAGE COMPARISONS

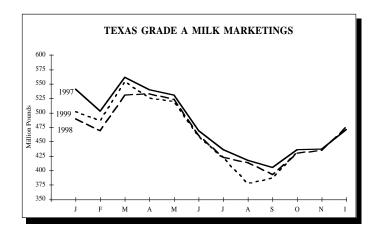
	1997	Number of	1998	Number of	1999	Number of	PERCENT	CHANGE
MONTH	POUNDS	Producers	POUNDS	Producers	POUNDS	Producers	1998/97	1999/98
January	540,918,023	1,610	491,168,340	1,359	501,754,729	1,251	-9.20	+2.16
February	503,177,566	1,591	469,305,849	1,347	486,044,271	1,245	-6.73	+3.57
March	560,823,025	1,566	532,588,272	1,339	553,983,640	1,241	-5.03	+4.02
April	539,258,903	1,553	532,823,237	1,336	525,773,380	1,233	-1.19	-1.32
May	530,457,547	1,550	524,523,430	1,319	519,613,189	1,219	-1.12	94
June	468,546,651	1,523	464,057,905	1,321	458,247,406	1,216	96	-1.25
July	435,777,197	1,489	422,973,696	1,305	421,340,140	1,206	-2.94	39
August	417,271,524	1,463	413,296,879	1,298	377,392,147	1,197	95	-8.69
September	405,563,476	1,435	392,427,802	1,300	386,931,407	1,189	-3.24	-1.40
October	436,528,559	1,408	429,372,951	1,289	432,175,585	1,181	-1.64	+.65
November	436,607,225	1,391	435,572,798	1,271			27	
December	470,803,040	1,368	474,573,747	1,260			+.80	
Years Total	5,745,732,736		5,582,684,906				-2.84	

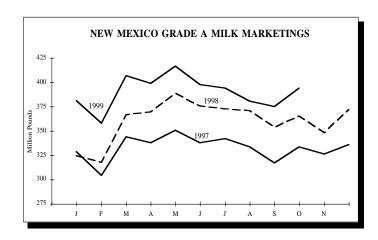
POUNDS OF GRADE A MILK MARKETED BY PRODUCERS LOCATED IN NEW MEXICO BY MONTHS: JANUARY 1997 THROUGH OCTOBER 1999, WITH PERCENTAGE COMPARISONS

MONTH	1997 POUNDS	Number of	1998 POUNDS	Number of	1999 POUNDS	Number of		
MONTH		Producers		Producers		Producers	1998/97	1999/98
January	328,059,604	156	324,314,276	158	381,115,401	156	-1.14	+17.51
February	303,972,265	156	317,500,751	156	358,049,940	157	+4.45	+12.77
March	343,866,862	157	366,656,779	157	406,789,374	156	+6.63	+10.95
April	337,943,697	157	369,782,775	156	399,229,362	157	+9.42	+7.96
May	350,910,125	158	388,308,155	155	416,852,251	157	+10.66	+7.35
June	337,592,757	158	378,569,203	159	397,483,877	159	+12.14	+5.00
July	342,391,766	159	372,803,402	157	393,796,366	158	+8.88	+5.63
August	333,406,557	156	370,668,016	156	380,628,318	158	+11.18	+2.69
September	317,181,279	159	353,457,040	155	374,886,452	160	+11.44	+6.06
October	333,587,208	158	365,469,264	159	394,366,657	162	+9.56	+7.91
November	326,212,021	158	348,126,652	158			+6.75	
December	336,117,343	157	371,894,332	157			+10.64	
Years Total	3,991,241,484		4,327,550,645				+8.43	



*Revised figures





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TEXAS AND NEW MEXICO	MARKET	COMPONENT	TEST
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<u>Month</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>NM</u>	TX	<u>NM</u>	<u>TX</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>TX</u>	NM
October	3.58	3.50	3.30	3.28	4.74	4.78	8.74	8.76	403	255
November	3.71	3.65	3.33	3.32	4.78	4.78	8.81	8.79	387	271
December	3.71	3.67	3.34	3.32	4.78	4.77	8.81	8.80	378	263
Average 1998	3.57	3.52	3.23	3.20	4.77	4.80	8.71	8.70	388	285
January 1999	3.67	3.64	3.30	3.26	4.78	4.78	8.78	8.75	375	261
February	3.59	3.60	3.25	3.24	4.78	4.77	8.74	8.72	351	267
March	3.59	3.57	3.26	3.22	4.81	4.78	8.76	8.71	346	255
April	3.50	3.52	3.23	3.20	4.81	4.79	8.74	8.69	342	242
May	3.52	3.48	3.19	3.16	4.80	4.79	8.70	8.66	348	240
June	3.53	3.45	3.19	3.14	4.76	4.79	8.66	8.63	395	265
July	3.52	3.40	3.20	3.11	4.72	4.74	8.64	8.57	408	290
August	3.54	3.43	3.21	3.14	4.70	4.74	8.63	8.60	429	310
September	3.60	3.50	3.29	3.20	4.70	4.75	8.71	8.67	420	305
October	3.70	3.61	3.34	3.28	4.72	4.75	8.78	8.74	357	273
* In thousands.										

NEW MEXICO - WEST TEXAS MILK MARKET AT A GLANCE

	REPORTED OCT. 1999	REPORTED SEPT. 1999	REPORTED OCT. 1998
TOTAL UTILIZATION			
CLASS I	55,881,661	56,561,382	57,601,819
CLASS II	9,352,213	9,262,362	7,862,623
CLASS III	67,528,776	7,047,661	75,589,811
CLASS III/III-A CLOSING INVENTORY (CLASS I, II AND III)	6,903,767	6,049,288	5,578,668
TOTAL UTILIZATION	139,666,417	78,920,693	146,632,921
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DAILY CLASS I UTILIZATION	1,802,634	1,885,379	1,858,123
OCTDAILY CLASS I COMPARED TO:	.,00=,00 .	- 4.39%	- 2.99%
CLASS I YEAR TO DATE (IN THOUSANDS)	542,585	486,703	547,385
% CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	88%	63%	- 1.37%
TOTAL RECEIPTS			
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS I	53,042,918	554,397,424	56,126,183
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS II	8,289,384	8,055,469	6,628,391
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS III/III-A	68,044,993	5,877,892	74,484,237
TOTAL PRODUCER RECEIPTS	129,377,295	68,330,785	137,238,811
OTHER SOURCE A/	4,289,976	4,191,943	3,606,567
OPENING INVENTORY	5,995,888	6,397,926	5,787,537
OVERAGE	3,258	39	6
TOTAL RECEIPTS	139,666,417	78,920,693	146,632,921
DAILY PRODUCER RECEIPTS	4,173,461	2,277,693	4,427,058
OCTDAILY PRODUCER RECEIPTS COMPARED TO:	.,	+ 83.23%	- 5.73%
PRODUCER RECEIPTS YEAR TO DATE (IN THOUSANDS)	1,072,015	942,637	1,608,084
% CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	- 33.34%	- 35.91%	- 8.66%
AVERAGE BUTTERFAT TEST OF PRODUCER RECEIPTS	3.624%	3.563%	3.518%
% PRODUCER MILK CLASSIFIED AS CLASS I	41.00%	79.61%	40.90%
NUMBER OF PRODUCERS	90	83	175
AVERAGE DAILY DELIVERY PER PRODUCER	46,372	27,442	25,297
NUMBER OF POOL HANDLERS	9	9	11

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TEXAS MILK MARKET AT A GLANCE

	REPORTED OCT. 1999	REPORTED SEPT. 1999	REPORTED OCT. 1998
TOTAL UTILIZATION			
CLASS I	283,295,221	282,727,198	288,093,204
CLASS II	77,733,969	114,310,676	107,405,481
CLASS III/III-A	211,261,695	31,914,786	126,895,902
CLOSING INVENTORY (CLASS I, II AND III)	37,555,082	30,708,353	27,027,698
TOTAL UTILIZATION	609,845,967	459,661,013	549,422,285
DAILY CLASS I UTILIZATION	9,138,556	9,424,240	9,293,329
OCTDAILY CLASS I COMPARED TO:		- 3.03%	-1.67%
CLASS I YEAR TO DATE (IN THOUSANDS)	2,763,685	2,480,390	2,693,426
% CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	+ 2.61%	+ 3.12%	- 2.54%
TOTAL RECEIPTS			
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS I	281,939,882	279,558,959	282,121,595
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS II	65,507,782	101,886,888	87,474,515
PRODUCER RECEIPTS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS III/III-A	215,205,192	24,063,906	124,673,051
TOTAL PRODUCER RECEIPTS	562,652,856	405,509,753	494,269,161
OTHER SOURCE A/	17,234,204	20,580,445	28,517,502
OPENING INVENTORY	29,957,657	33,458,139	26,635,090
OVERAGE	1,250	112,676	532
TOTAL RECEIPTS	609,845,967	459,661,013	549,422,285
DAILY PRODUCER RECEIPTS	18,150,092	13,516,992	15,944,166
OCTDAILY PRODUCER RECEIPTS COMPARED TO:		+ 34.28%	+ 13.84%
PRODUCER RECEIPTS YEAR TO DATE (IN THOUSANDS)	5,494,695	4,932,042	4,989,809
% CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	+ 10.12%	+ 9.71%	- 7.24%
AVERAGE BUTTERFAT TEST OF PRODUCER RECEIPTS	3.675%	3.583%	3.549%
% PRODUCER MILK CLASSIFIED AS CLASS I	50.11%	68.94%	57.08%
NUMBER OF PRODUCERS	1,330	1,322	1,476
AVERAGE DAILY DELIVERY PER PRODUCER	13,647	10,225	10,802
NUMBER OF POOL HANDLERS	30	32	28

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