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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS I AND II ADVANCED PRICES
AND PRICING FACTORS ^{1/ 6/}**

	<u>May 2018</u>
CLASS I PRICE^{2/}	\$ 17.44
Processor Assessment ^{7/}	\$.20
Total	\$ 17.64
 Base Price (Class I mover).....	 \$ 14.44
Skim Milk Price ^{3/}	\$ 8.98
Butterfat Price, per lb. ^{4/}	\$ 2.5077
 CLASS II	
Skim Milk Price ^{5/}	\$ 5.45
Nonfat Solids Price, per lb.	\$ 0.6056
 ADVANCED CLASS III SKIM MILK PRICING FACTOR	 \$ 5.98
ADVANCED CLASS IV SKIM MILK PRICING FACTOR	\$ 4.75
 ADVANCED BUTTERFAT PRICING FACTOR, per lb.	 \$ 2.4777

DAIRY PRODUCT AVERAGE PRICE QUOTATIONS

	<u>APR 2018</u>	<u>MAR 2018</u>	<u>APR 2017</u>
AMS WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES – TWO WEEKS			
CHEDDAR CHEESE, per lb.	\$1.5730	\$1.5468	\$1.4884
BUTTER, per lb.	2.2175	2.1741	2.1315
NONFAT DRY MILK, per lb.	0.7004	0.6964	0.8294
DRY WHEY, per lb.	0.2575	0.2467	0.5315

CLASS I PRICE ADJUSTMENTS FROM BASE DIFFERENTIAL – DALLAS COUNTY

Albuquerque	-\$0.65	Floresville	+\$0.45	Sulphur Springs, Winnsboro	\$0.00
Amarillo	-\$0.60	Houston, Conroe	+\$0.60	Tyler	\$0.00
Austin	+\$0.30	Lubbock	-\$0.60	Waco	+\$0.15
El Paso	-\$0.75	San Antonio	+\$0.45		

- ^{1/} United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service. Prices are dollars per 100 pounds (cwt.) unless otherwise indicated.
- ^{2/} The Class I price announced is per hundredweight at 3.5% butterfat at Dallas County location.
- ^{3/} The Class I skim price for the Southwest Marketing Area is the higher of the advanced Class III or IV skim milk pricing factors plus \$3.00, subject to the adjustment for that location.
- ^{4/} The Class I butterfat price for the Southwest Marketing Area is the advanced butterfat pricing factor plus \$0.030 (\$3.00 divided by 100), subject to the adjustment for that location.
- ^{5/} The Class II skim price for the Southwest Marketing Area is the advanced Class IV skim milk pricing factor plus \$0.70.
- ^{6/} Equivalent Prices, computed pursuant to 7 CFR, Section 1000.54.
- ^{7/} The 20-cent per hundredweight processor assessment is an obligation under the Fluid Milk Promotion Order (7CFR§1160.101 et seq.) imposed on any person who processes and markets commercially more than 3 million pounds of packaged fluid milk products on a monthly basis. Deliveries to consumer residences are excluded. Effective February 29, 2016, processors of certified “organic” and “100 percent organic” fluid milk products may apply for an organic assessment exemption for those products.

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