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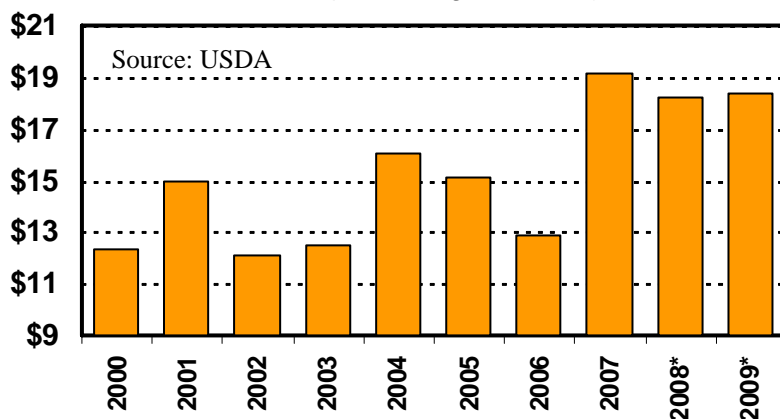
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USDA's First Look at 2009 Forecasts (Historically) Strong Producer Prices

Below are excerpts from USDA's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) Report 458 issued May 9, 2008. This is USDA's initial assessment and projection of 2009 calendar year dairy products and prices.

"Milk production is forecast to increase fractionally in 2009 reflecting lower cow numbers and minimal gains in milk per cow. Although producers continue to add cows in 2008, poor returns are expected to end the expansionary phase of dairy cow inventories. Commercial exports are forecast to remain relatively robust by historical standards but will likely be lower in 2009 as production in competing supplier countries recovers and tighter U.S. production increases competition between domestic and export uses. Domestic disappearance of fat and skim solids is expected to increase modestly, tightening commercial stocks and supporting higher butter, nonfat dry milk (NDM), and whey prices in 2009. Cheese prices are forecast slightly lower as favorable cheese prices early in the year may encourage increased supplies of milk to flow into cheese vats. With a firmer whey price, the Class III price is forecast to rise from 2008, but will average below its 2007 record. Likewise, strong butter and NDM prices are expected to result in a stronger Class IV price. The all milk price is forecast at \$17.90 to \$18.90 per cwt in 2009."

All-Milk Price: 2000-2009
(*Including forecasts)



Uniform Price Rebounds

The uniform price in Fulton County, GA, was \$19.97 per hundredweight of milk at 3.5 percent butterfat for the month of April. The uniform price is \$1.18 higher than the previous month and is \$2.61 higher than April of last year.

Class I utilization was 63.76 percent in April, a decrease of 1.04 percent compared with the previous month and an increase of 7.98 percent compared to April of last year.

National Dairy Situation

The USDA estimates that the total U.S. production of milk in March was 16.46 billion pounds, an increase of 2.0 percent from March 2007 and an increase of 8.7 percent when compared with February 2008. On a daily average basis, March production was 1.7 percent higher than February 2008.

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 834 million pounds, 0.7 percent below March 2007 but 6.3 percent above February 2008. Butter production was 154 million pounds, 11.5 percent above March 2007 and 5.2 percent above February 2008.

Nonfat dry milk powder production was 134.0 million pounds in March, 18.9 percent higher than March 2007 and 4.5 percent higher than February 2008 on a daily average basis. Dry whey production was 96.4 million pounds in March, a 2.0 percent decrease from March of last year and a 2.5 percent increase compared with February 2008 on a daily average basis.

The milk-feed price ratio, the pounds of 16 percent mixed dairy feed equal in value to one pound of whole milk, was 1.90 in April. This is a decline of 0.17 points from March's revised ratio and represents the lowest value recorded in recent, or distant, memory.

F.O. 7 - SOUTHEAST: CALCULATION OF UNIFORM PRICES - APRIL 2008

Calculation of Uniform Butterfat Price:

	<u>Utilization</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Price/lb.</u>	<u>Value</u>
Class I Butterfat	36.07%	7,953,998	\$1.3483	\$ 10,724,375.51
Class I Differential at Location				237,888.83
Class II Butterfat	26.27%	5,793,860	\$1.4818	8,585,341.77
Class III Butterfat	18.76%	4,137,647	\$1.4748	6,102,201.80
Class IV Butterfat	18.90%	4,167,067	\$1.4748	6,145,590.40
Total Butterfat	100.00%	22,052,572		\$ 31,795,398.31

Uniform Butterfat Price per lb. (Fulton County, Georgia): **\$1.4418**

Calculation of Uniform Skim Milk Price

<u>Producer Milk</u>	<u>Utilization</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Price per unit</u>	<u>Value</u>
Class I Skim Milk	64.81%	380,161,183	\$14.39 /cwt.	\$ 54,705,194.24
Class I Butterfat	36.07%	7,953,998	\$1.3483 /lb.	10,724,375.51
Class I Differential at Location		388,115,181		11,556,383.00
Total Class I Milk	63.76%	388,115,181		\$ 76,985,952.75
Class II Skim Milk	12.84%	75,313,716	\$10.47 /cwt.	\$ 7,885,346.07
Class II Butterfat	26.27%	5,793,860	\$1.4818 /lb.	8,585,341.77
Total Class II Milk	13.33%	81,107,576		\$ 16,470,687.84
Class III Skim Milk	16.45%	96,466,394	\$12.02 /cwt.	\$ 11,595,260.56
Class III Butterfat	18.76%	4,137,647	\$1.4748 /lb.	6,102,201.80
Total Class III Milk	16.53%	100,604,041		\$ 17,697,462.36
Class IV Skim Milk	5.90%	34,636,994	\$9.74 /cwt.	\$ 3,373,643.21
Class IV Butterfat	18.90%	4,167,067	\$1.4748 /lb.	6,145,590.40
Total Class IV Milk	6.38%	38,804,061		\$ 9,519,233.61
Producer Milk	100.00%	608,630,859		\$ 120,673,336.56

Adjustments

Overage and Other Source	\$12,763.69
Inventory Adjustments	\$136,396.98
Producer butterfat at uniform butterfat price	(\$31,795,398.31)
Location Adjustments to Producers	\$1,654,364.67
1/2 Unobligated Balance in P.S.F	\$293,996.21

Adjusted Pool Value

Reserve for Producer Settlement Func	\$ 15.50952	\$90,975,459.80
	\$ 0.04952	\$290,456.62

Uniform Skim Milk Price per cwt. (Fulton County, Georgia):

\$15.46

Uniform Price per cwt. (Fulton County, Georgia)

\$19.97*

* At 3.5% butterfat test; for information purposes.

OTHER FEDERAL ORDERS: CLASS I AND UNIFORM PRICES (At 3.5% Butterfat)

MARKET NAME (Priced at)	CLASS I		UNIFORM		CLASS I %
	APR 2008	MAY 2008	MAR 2008	APR 2008	APR 2008
Appalachian (Charlotte)	\$ 21.71	\$ 20.02	\$ 18.63	\$ 20.21	70.94%
Arizona (Phoenix)	\$ 20.96	\$ 20.37	\$ 16.86	\$ 17.28	31.56%
Central (Kansas City)	\$ 20.61	\$ 20.02	\$ 16.85	\$ 17.48	34.34%
Florida (Tampa)	\$ 22.61	\$ 22.02	\$ 19.92	\$ 21.50	81.14%
Mideast (Cleveland)	\$ 20.61	\$ 20.02	\$ 17.21	\$ 17.77	37.10%
Northeast (Boston)	\$ 21.86	\$ 21.27	\$ 17.89	\$ 18.55	40.10%
Pacific Northwest (Seattle)	\$ 20.51	\$ 19.92	\$ 15.94	\$ 16.95	29.56%
Southeast (Atlanta)	\$ 21.71	\$ 20.42	\$ 18.79	\$ 19.97	63.76%
Southwest (Dallas)	\$ 21.61	\$ 21.02	\$ 17.32	\$ 18.18	32.66%
Upper Midwest (Chicago)	\$ 20.41	\$ 19.82	\$ 17.75	\$ 17.23	14.80%

**SOUTHEAST MILK MARKETING AREA-FEDERAL ORDER 7
STATISTICAL SUMMARY**

Receipts:	April 2008	April 2007
Producer Milk		
Class I	388,115,181	394,567,638
Class II	81,107,576	101,521,153
Class III	100,604,041	162,166,980
Class IV	38,804,061	49,129,298
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Total Producer Milk	608,630,859	707,385,069
Average Butterfat Test	3.62%	3.60%
Percent of Producer Milk in Class I	63.76%	55.78%
Daily Average Receipts	20,287,695	23,579,502
Other Source Milk		
Class I	6,344,256	8,141,081
Class II	14,906,860	21,458,175
Class III	2,524,562	3,257,712
Class IV	9,588,709	9,254,351
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Total Other Source Milk	33,364,387	42,111,319
Overage		
Class I	0	0
Class II	26,334	0
Class III	0	0
Class IV	6,785	4,352
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Total Overage	33,119	4,352
Opening Inventory		
Class I	32,019,591	34,373,915
Class II	2,975,177	2,293,080
Class III	380,875	304,549
Class IV	18,114,621	12,791,673
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Total Opening Inventory	53,490,264	49,763,217
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Total Receipts	695,518,629	799,263,957
Utilization:		
Class I Utilization		
Inventory of Packaged FMP	31,691,919	32,419,614
Route Disposition Class I	384,285,318	395,441,905
Shrinkage	2,632,904	3,987,861
Transfers & Diversions to Nonpool	7,868,887	5,233,254
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Total Class I Utilization	426,479,028	437,082,634
Average Butterfat Test	2.04%	2.06%
Daily Average Utilization	14,215,968	14,569,421
Class II Utilization		
Nonfluid Used To Produce	1,753,781	1,855,775
Shrinkage	54,382	7,745,730
Transfers & Diversions to Nonpool/Commercial Foods Used To Produce/Other Uses	59,961,930	64,178,670
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Total Class II Utilization	99,015,947	125,272,408
Average Butterfat Test	7.50%	6.58%
Class III Utilization		
Shrinkage	0	0
Transfers & Diversions to Nonpool	103,509,478	165,729,241
Used To Produce/Other Uses	0	0
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Total Class III Utilization	103,509,478	165,729,241
Average Butterfat Test	4.120460%	3.84%
Class IV Utilization		
Inventory	23,561,350	23,263,971
Nonfluid Used To Fortify	1,272,229	1,880,893
Shrinkage	6,521,945	0
Transfers & Diversions to Nonpool	30,134,423	46,034,810
Used To Produce/Other Uses	5,024,229	0
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Total Class IV Utilization	66,514,176	71,179,674
Average Butterfat Test	8.21%	7.93%
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Total Utilization	695,518,629	799,263,957

Southeast Market Summary

The minimum order uniform price for payment to producers supplying the Southeast Order marketing area during April 2008 is \$19.97 per hundredweight for milk with a 3.5% butterfat test in Fulton County, Georgia. This is .965 times the uniform skim milk price of \$15.46 per hundredweight plus 3.5 times the uniform butterfat price of \$1.4418 per pound. Payment to producers may be reduced by location differentials, if applicable, and by properly authorized deductions.

Uniform prices are the result of marketwide pooling; all producer milk was classified and priced according to the milk's use. In April, Class I use, which is primarily bottled or packaged fluid milk, accounted for 64.81% of all producer skim milk (priced to handlers at \$14.39 per hundredweight, plus the Class I differential, see page 2) and 36.07% of producer butterfat (priced to handlers at \$1.3483 per pound plus Class I differential). Class II use, which is milk used in fluid cream products and miscellaneous manufacturing, accounted for 12.84% of all producer skim milk (\$10.47 per hundredweight) and 26.27% of producer butterfat (\$1.4818 per pound). Class III use, mostly milk used to produce cheese, accounted for 16.45% of all producer skim milk (\$12.02 per hundredweight) and 18.76% of producer butterfat (\$1.4748 per pound). Class IV use, generally milk processed into butter and powder, accounted for 5.90% of all producer skim milk (\$9.74 per hundredweight) and 18.90% of producer butterfat (\$1.4748 per pound).

Receipts of producer milk during April 2008 totaled 608.6 million pounds. There were 27 regulated pool distributing plants, 2 pool supply plants and 11 cooperative associations submitting reports of receipts and utilization that were included in the computation of the uniform prices for April 2008. Class I route disposition in the area totaled 431.0 million pounds in March 2008.

Packaged Class I Route Sales in Marketing Area

Product Description	Pounds	Percent
March 2008		
Whole Milk	141,050,421	32.73%
Fat Free Milk	51,449,539	11.94%
Lowfat Milk (incl. 1%)	37,342,899	8.66%
Reduced Fat Milk (incl. 2%)	150,455,254	34.91%
Cultured Fluid Milk (incl. Buttermilk)	9,217,873	2.14%
Flavored Drinks and Milk	41,459,143	9.62%
Total Disposition in Marketing Area	430,975,129	100.00%
Total Disposition by Pool Plants	349,211,618	81.03%
Total Disposition by Nonpool Plants	81,763,511	18.97%
Total Disposition in Marketing Area	430,975,129	100.00%

Mailbox Milk Prices, January-February 2007 & 2008 2/

Reporting Area 1/	January 2007	February 2007	2007 Average	January 2008	February 2008
New England Sts 3/	\$15.31	\$15.46	\$20.14	\$21.78	\$20.09
Appalachian States 4/	\$15.41	\$15.49	\$20.02	\$22.21	\$21.26
Southeast States 5/	\$16.18	\$16.13	\$20.66	\$22.94	\$21.70
Southern Missouri 6/	\$14.36	\$14.54	\$18.95	\$21.15	\$19.77
Florida	\$17.51	\$17.27	\$21.98	\$23.87	\$22.63
Indiana	\$14.44	\$14.77	\$19.26	\$21.23	\$19.98
Michigan	\$14.25	\$14.51	\$18.52	\$19.99	\$19.11
Wisconsin	\$14.79	\$15.31	\$19.01	\$20.79	\$18.85
Corn Belt States 7/	\$13.96	\$14.19	\$18.28	\$19.97	\$18.45
Western Texas 8/	\$13.96	\$14.01	\$18.30	\$19.53	\$17.43
New Mexico	\$13.30	\$13.19	\$17.54	\$18.83	\$16.45
All Federal Orders 9/	\$14.66	\$14.92	\$19.02	\$20.70	\$19.03
California 10/	\$12.55	\$13.09	\$17.56	\$17.97	\$17.05

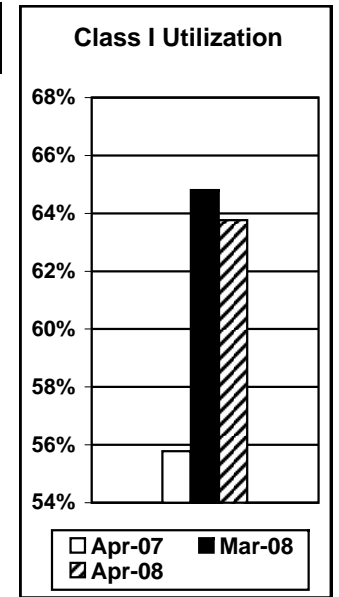
Source: Dairy Market News; 1/ Information is shown for those areas for which prices are reported for at least 75% of the milk marketed under Federal milk orders. 2/ Net pay price received by dairy farmers for milk. Includes all payments received for milk sold and all costs associated with marketing the milk. Price is a weighted average for the reporting area and is reported at the average butterfat test. 3/ Includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. 4/ Includes Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. 5/ Includes Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, and Mississippi. 6/ The counties of Vernon, Cedar, Polk, Dallas, Laclede, Texas, Dent, Crawford, Washington, St. Francois, and Perry and all those to the south of these 7/ Includes Kansas, Nebraska and the Missouri counties to the north of those listed in 6/. 8/ All counties to the west of Fanin, Hunt, Van Zandt, Henderson, Anderson, Houston, Cherokee, Nacogdoches, and Shelby. 9/ Weighted average of the information for all selected reporting areas in Federal milk orders. 10/ Calculated by California Department of Food and Agriculture.

FEDERAL ORDER 7 - SOUTHEAST: CLASS AND UNIFORM PRICES

Pool Period	CLASS I*			CLASS II			CLASS III			CLASS IV			UNIFORM*		
	Skim/cwt	Bfat/lb	@ 3.5	Skim/cwt	Bfat/lb	@ 3.5	Skim/cwt	Bfat/lb	@ 3.5	Skim/cwt	Bfat/lb	@ 3.5	Skim/cwt	Bfat/lb	@ 3.5
Jan 2007	\$12.27	\$1.3857	\$16.69	\$8.57	\$1.3079	\$12.85	\$9.33	\$1.3009	\$13.56	\$ 8.27	\$1.3009	\$12.53	\$ 11.23	\$1.3299	\$15.49
Feb	\$12.29	\$1.3216	\$16.49	\$8.77	\$1.3182	\$13.08	\$9.94	\$1.3112	\$14.18	\$ 8.42	\$1.3112	\$12.71	\$ 11.48	\$1.3157	\$15.68
Mar	\$13.10	\$1.3445	\$17.35	\$9.07	\$1.3839	\$13.60	\$10.64	\$1.3769	\$15.09	\$ 9.21	\$1.3769	\$13.71	\$ 12.18	\$1.3674	\$16.54
Apr	\$13.60	\$1.4206	\$18.10	\$9.69	\$1.4727	\$14.51	\$11.36	\$1.4657	\$16.09	\$ 11.39	\$1.4657	\$16.12	\$ 12.72	\$1.4527	\$17.36
May	\$14.38	\$1.4699	\$19.02	\$11.50	\$1.5776	\$16.62	\$12.54	\$1.5706	\$17.60	\$ 13.45	\$1.5706	\$18.48	\$ 13.83	\$1.5377	\$18.73
June	\$15.98	\$1.5776	\$20.94	\$13.58	\$1.6527	\$18.89	\$14.93	\$1.6457	\$20.17	\$ 15.54	\$1.6457	\$20.76	\$ 15.64	\$1.6196	\$20.76
July	\$18.71	\$1.7018	\$24.01	\$16.31	\$1.6180	\$21.40	\$16.31	\$1.6110	\$21.38	\$ 16.58	\$1.6110	\$21.64	\$ 18.15	\$1.6491	\$23.29
Aug	\$19.84	\$1.6320	\$24.86	\$17.44	\$1.5942	\$22.41	\$14.79	\$1.5872	\$19.83	\$ 16.91	\$1.5872	\$21.87	\$ 18.91	\$1.6072	\$23.87
Sep	\$19.86	\$1.6692	\$25.01	\$17.46	\$1.5171	\$22.16	\$15.32	\$1.5101	\$20.07	\$ 16.92	\$1.5101	\$21.61	\$ 18.93	\$1.5723	\$23.77
Oct	\$19.96	\$1.5519	\$24.69	\$17.56	\$1.4162	\$21.90	\$14.27	\$1.4092	\$18.70	\$ 16.97	\$1.4092	\$21.31	\$ 18.89	\$1.4674	\$23.36
Nov	\$20.14	\$1.4628	\$24.55	\$17.74	\$1.4147	\$22.07	\$14.81	\$1.4077	\$19.22	\$ 16.03	\$1.4077	\$20.40	\$ 19.12	\$1.4310	\$23.46
Dec	\$18.75	\$1.4430	\$23.14	\$16.35	\$1.4418	\$20.82	\$16.14	\$1.4348	\$20.60	\$ 14.67	\$1.4348	\$19.18	\$ 18.03	\$1.4389	\$22.44
Jan 2008	\$19.63	\$1.4643	\$24.07	\$15.61	\$1.3389	\$19.75	\$15.19	\$1.3319	\$19.32	\$ 12.05	\$1.3319	\$16.29	\$ 18.26	\$1.3813	\$22.46
Feb	\$18.54	\$1.3970	\$22.78	\$14.39	\$1.3080	\$18.46	\$12.93	\$1.3010	\$17.03	\$ 10.48	\$1.3010	\$14.67	\$ 16.81	\$1.3355	\$20.90
Mar	\$15.64	\$1.3448	\$19.80	\$11.24	\$1.3674	\$15.63	\$13.72	\$1.3604	\$18.00	\$ 9.75	\$1.3604	\$14.17	\$ 14.55	\$1.3561	\$18.79
Apr	\$17.49	\$1.3793	\$21.71	\$10.47	\$1.4818	\$15.29	\$12.02	\$1.4748	\$16.76	\$ 9.74	\$1.4748	\$14.56	\$ 15.46	\$1.4418	\$19.97
May	\$15.70	\$1.5043	\$20.42	\$10.40											

FEDERAL ORDER 7 - SOUTHEAST: POOLED RECEIPTS AND UTILIZATION OF PRODUCER MILK

Pool Period	Producer Milk 1000 lbs.	Number of Farms	CLASS I		CLASS II		CLASS III		CLASS IV	
			1000 lbs.	%	1000 lbs.	%	1000 lbs.	%	1000 lbs.	%
Jan 2007	736,646	3,133	434,642	59.00%	73,204	9.94%	170,119	23.09%	58,681	7.97%
Feb	650,127	3,081	381,201	58.64%	67,360	10.36%	156,906	24.13%	44,660	6.87%
Mar	711,173	3,038	418,047	58.78%	88,537	12.45%	163,562	23.00%	41,026	5.77%
Apr	707,385	2,961	394,568	55.78%	101,521	14.35%	162,167	22.92%	49,129	6.95%
May	695,111	2,925	398,662	57.36%	96,168	13.83%	167,933	24.16%	32,349	4.65%
June	558,867	2,956	372,612	66.67%	96,460	17.26%	61,040	10.92%	28,755	5.15%
July	561,866	2,962	369,735	65.80%	74,157	13.20%	95,276	16.96%	22,699	4.04%
Aug	581,050	3,208	409,987	70.57%	60,967	10.49%	94,557	16.27%	15,539	2.67%
Sep	558,271	3,075	378,231	67.75%	53,134	9.52%	93,114	16.68%	33,792	6.05%
Oct	584,122	3,000	412,258	70.58%	58,111	9.95%	99,545	17.04%	14,208	2.43%
Nov	582,419	3,097	409,617	70.33%	48,795	8.38%	105,214	18.06%	18,794	3.23%
Dec	593,590	3,143	392,849	66.17%	59,990	10.11%	97,737	16.47%	43,014	7.25%
Jan 2008	642,148	3,068	427,443	66.56%	54,698	8.52%	109,863	17.11%	50,144	7.81%
Feb	606,111	2,989	389,276	64.22%	69,259	11.43%	94,584	15.61%	52,992	8.74%
Mar	614,369	2,948	398,126	64.80%	83,411	13.58%	82,833	13.48%	49,999	8.14%
Apr	608,631	3,001**	388,115	63.76%	81,108	13.33%	100,604	16.53%	38,804	6.38%



* Class I and uniform prices are at Fulton County (Atlanta), Georgia;** Estimated

Southeast Marketing Area - Federal Order 7

Pool and Payment Dates for the Pooling Periods

May through July 2008

Pool Month	Pool & Uniform Price Release Date	MA Payment Dates		Payments for Producer Milk			
		Due to:	Due From:	Partial Payment** Due		Final Payment Due	
		All Funds	P/S & T-Credit	Coop	Nonmember	Coop	Nonmember
May 2008	06/11/08	06/12/08	06/13/08	05/27/08	05/27/08	06/13/08	06/16/08
June 2008	07/11/08	07/14/08	07/15/08	06/25/08	06/26/08	07/15/08	07/16/08
July 2008	08/11/08	08/12/08	08/13/08	07/25/08	07/28/08	08/13/08	08/14/08

** The base rate for making partial payments in Fulton County, GA for May will be \$17.97 per hundredweight. This is 90 percent of the preceding month's uniform price of \$19.97 per hundredweight.

Producer Touch Base Requirements & Handler Diversion Limits

[per Order Amendment issued March 17, 2008]

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Producer Touch Base Days	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Diversion Percentage Limits	25%	25%	35%	35%	35%	35%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	35%

WASDE Dairy Report 1/

WASDE-458 May 9, 2008

Forecast milk production in 2008 is lowered slightly from last month. Milk per cow in the first quarter was weaker than expected. Price forecasts for most products are raised sharply from last month as demand for all products remains strong. Fat basis exports are robust although exports on a skims solids basis are forecast weaker than last year, NDM exports are helping support prices. Class III and Class IV prices are raised and the all milk price is forecast to average \$17.95 to \$18.45 per cwt.

1/The World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) report provides USDA's comprehensive forecasts of supply and demand for major U.S. and global crops and U.S. livestock, including dairy. The most recent WASDE report is available at www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm.

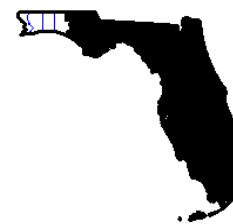
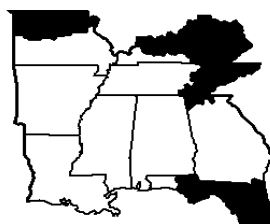


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