

FLORIDA Fluid Milk Report

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Hearing Announced on Proposed Amendments to All Federal Milk Orders

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that it will hold a national public hearing to consider proposals seeking to amend or remove the producer-handler provisions and revise the exempt plant provisions applicable to all Federal milk marketing orders. The hearing will begin at 1 p.m. on May 4, 2009, at The Westin - Cincinnati, 21 East Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45202.

USDA will also consider a proposal seeking to amend the orders to include provisions related to individual handler pools as an alternative to the producer-handler provisions.

The National Milk Producers Federation and the International Dairy Foods Association submitted initial proposals. USDA requested additional proposals from the industry that would examine all features of the producer-handler and exempt plant provisions. USDA received proposals from dairy farmers, producer-handlers, dairy farmer cooperatives, and fluid milk processors.

Anyone interested in participating in the hearing should notify a USDA official upon arrival. The hearing notice was published in the April 9, 2009 Federal Register. Copies of the hearing notice and additional information are available from USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, STOP 0231 - Rm. 2971, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-0231 or from the AMS web site at www.ams.usda.gov/dairy.

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March Uniform Price Falls

The uniform price in Hillsborough County, Florida, was \$14.19 per hundredweight for milk at 3.5 percent butterfat for the month of March. This represents a decrease of \$0.83 compared with the previous month and a decrease of \$5.73 from March 2008.

Class I utilization was 83.89 percent in March, an increase of 2.52 percent when compared with the previous month and an increase of 1.57 percent when compared with March of last year.

National Dairy Situation

The USDA estimates that the total U.S. production of milk in February was 14.7 billion pounds, an decrease of 2.8 percent from February 2008 and an increase of 1.4 percent when compared with January 2009 on a daily average basis. Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 769 million pounds, 1.4 percent higher than February 2008 and 3.3 percent higher than January 2009 on a daily average basis. Butter production was 145 million pounds, 2.4 percent above February 2008 and a decrease of 8.0 percent compared to January 2009 on a daily average basis.

Nonfat dry milk powder production was 123 million pounds in February, 8.0 percent higher than February 2008 and 11.6 percent lower than January 2009 on a daily average basis. Dry whey production was 82.7 million pounds in February, a 2.7 percent decrease from February of last year and a 3.5 percent below last month 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 1.51 in March 2009, up 0.01 points from February's revised ratio.

F.O. 6 - FLORIDA: CALCULATION OF UNIFORM PRICES - MARCH 2009

Calculation of Uniform Butterfat Price:

	<u>Utilization</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Price/lb.</u>	<u>Value</u>
Class I Butterfat	46.38%	4,602,453	\$1.0918	\$ 5,024,958.19
Class I Differential at Location				255,523.39
Class II Butterfat	32.90%	3,264,898	\$1.1664	3,808,177.01
Class III Butterfat	3.19%	316,806	\$1.1594	367,304.86
Class IV Butterfat	17.53%	1,739,529	\$1.1594	2,016,809.93
Total Butterfat	100.00%	9,923,686		\$ 11,472,773.38

Uniform Butterfat Price per lb. (Hillsborough County, Florida): **\$1.1561**

Calculation of Uniform Skim Milk Price

	<u>Utilization</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Price per unit</u>	<u>Value</u>
Producer Milk				
Class I Skim Milk	85.27%	228,985,345	\$5.81 /cwt.	\$ 13,304,048.55
Class I Butterfat	46.38%	4,602,453	\$1.0918 /lb.	5,024,958.19
Class I Differential at Location		233,587,798		12,996,750.90
Total Class I Milk	83.89%	233,587,798		\$ 31,325,757.64
Class II Skim Milk	7.15%	19,192,353	\$6.51 /cwt.	\$ 1,249,422.18
Class II Butterfat	32.90%	3,264,898	\$1.1664 /lb.	3,808,177.01
Total Class II Milk	8.07%	22,457,251		\$ 5,057,599.19
Class III Skim Milk	0.89%	2,394,351	\$6.61 /cwt.	\$ 158,266.59
Class III Butterfat	3.19%	316,806	\$1.1594 /lb.	367,304.86
Total Class III Milk	0.97%	2,711,157		\$ 525,571.45
Class IV Skim Milk	6.69%	17,952,368	\$5.78 /cwt.	\$ 1,037,646.88
Class IV Butterfat	17.53%	1,739,529	\$1.1594 /lb.	2,016,809.93
Total Class IV Milk	7.07%	19,691,897		\$ 3,054,456.81
Producer Milk	100.00%	278,448,103		\$ 39,963,385.09

Adjustments

Overage and Other Source	\$0.00
Inventory Adjustments	\$2,111.92
Producer butterfat at uniform butterfat price	(\$11,472,773.38)
Location Adjustments to Producers	(\$260,123.39)
1/2 Unobligated Balance in P.S.F	\$112,418.04

Adjusted Pool Value

Reserve for Producer Settlement Func	\$ 10.55584	\$28,345,018.28
	\$ 0.04584	\$123,102.04

Uniform Skim Milk Price per cwt. (Hillsborough County, Florida):

\$10.51

Uniform Price per cwt. (Hillsborough County, Florida)

\$14.19*

* 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 %
	MAR 2009	APR 2009	FEB 2009	MAR 2009	MAR 2009
Appalachian (Charlotte)	\$ 12.83	\$ 13.76	\$ 12.98	\$ 12.29	69.60%
Arizona (Phoenix)	\$ 11.78	\$ 12.71	\$ 10.69	\$ 10.63	32.00%
Central (Kansas City)	\$ 11.43	\$ 12.36	\$ 10.38	\$ 10.44	35.10%
Florida (Tampa)	\$ 14.83	\$ 15.76	\$ 15.02	\$ 14.19	83.89%
Mideast (Cleveland)	\$ 11.43	\$ 12.36	\$ 10.83	\$ 10.73	40.80%
Northeast (Boston)	\$ 12.68	\$ 13.61	\$ 11.75	\$ 11.56	43.10%
Pacific Northwest (Seattle)	\$ 11.33	\$ 12.26	\$ 10.31	\$ 10.48	31.07%
Southeast (Atlanta)	\$ 13.23	\$ 14.16	\$ 13.22	\$ 12.47	60.71%
Southwest (Dallas)	\$ 12.43	\$ 13.36	\$ 11.31	\$ 11.45	53.61%
Upper Midwest (Chicago)	\$ 11.23	\$ 12.16	\$ 9.82	\$ 10.57	14.10%

**FLORIDA MILK MARKETING AREA-FEDERAL ORDER 6
STATISTICAL SUMMARY**

Receipts:	March 2009	March 2008
Producer Milk		
Class I	233,587,798	232,992,856
Class II	22,457,251	22,222,869
Class III	2,711,157	9,101,264
Class IV	19,691,897	18,719,529
Total Producer Milk	<u>278,448,103</u>	<u>283,036,518</u>
Average Butterfat Test	3.56%	3.55%
Percent of Producer Milk in Class I	83.89%	82.32%
Daily Average Receipts	8,982,197	9,130,210
Other Source Milk		
Class I	5,215,923	5,141,841
Class II	11,263,661	8,462,859
Class III	0	0
Class IV	714,398	726,946
Total Other Source Milk	<u>17,193,982</u>	<u>14,331,646</u>
Overage		
Class I	0	0
Class II	0	0
Class III	0	0
Class IV	0	5,094
Total Overage	<u>0</u>	<u>5,094</u>
Opening Inventory		
Class I	13,806,297	14,233,198
Class II	15,971	0
Class III	122,357	0
Class IV	6,206,699	4,779,717
Total Opening Inventory	<u>20,151,324</u>	<u>19,012,915</u>
Total Receipts	315,793,409	316,386,173
Utilization:		
Class I Utilization		
Inventory of Packaged FMP	12,012,353	13,147,419
Route Disposition Class I	239,157,314	238,353,560
Shrinkage	1,293,762	754,180
Transfers & Diversions to Nonpool	146,589	112,736
Total Class I Utilization	<u>252,610,018</u>	<u>252,367,895</u>
Average Butterfat Test	1.97%	2.01%
Daily Average Utilization	8,148,710	8,140,900
Class II Utilization		
Nonfluid Used To Produce	11,251,682	8,451,574
Shrinkage	0	0
Transfers & Diversions to Nonpool/Commercial Foods Used To Produce/Other Uses	7,063,675	7,152,578
Total Class II Utilization	<u>15,421,526</u>	<u>15,081,576</u>
Average Butterfat Test	33,736,883	30,685,728
Average Butterfat Test	9.72%	11.28%
Class III Utilization		
Shrinkage	0	0
Transfers & Diversions to Nonpool/Used to Produce Use to Produce/Other Uses	2,833,514	9,101,264
Total Class III Utilization	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Average Butterfat Test	2,833,514	9,101,264
Average Butterfat Test	11.36%	5.27%
Class IV Utilization		
Inventory	8,168,452	7,176,947
Nonfluid Used To Fortify	644,330	634,715
Shrinkage	4,172,964	4,172,666
Transfers & Diversions to Nonpool Used To Produce/Other Uses	12,205,580	10,714,671
Total Class IV Utilization	<u>1,421,668</u>	<u>1,532,287</u>
Average Butterfat Test	26,612,994	24,231,286
Average Butterfat Test	8.02%	7.28%
Total Utilization	315,793,409	316,386,173

Florida Market Summary

The minimum order uniform price for payment to producers supplying the Florida Order marketing area in March 2009 is \$14.19 per hundredweight for milk with a 3.5% butterfat test in Hillsborough County. This is .965 times the uniform skim milk price of \$10.51 per hundredweight plus 3.5 times the uniform butterfat price of \$1.1561 per pound. Payment to producers may be adjusted 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 March, Class I use accounted for 85.27% of all producer skim milk (priced to handlers at \$5.81 per hundredweight, plus the Class I differential and 46.38% of producer butterfat (priced to handlers at \$1.0918 per pound plus Class I differential). Class II use accounted for 7.15% of all producer skim milk (\$6.51 per hundredweight) and 32.90% of producer butterfat (\$1.1664 per pound). Class III use accounted for 0.89% of all producer skim milk (\$6.61 per hundredweight) and 3.19% of producer butterfat (\$1.1594 per pound). Class IV use accounted for 6.69% of all producer skim milk (\$5.78 per hundredweight) and 17.53% of producer butterfat (\$1.1594 per pound).

Receipts of producer milk during March 2009 totaled 278.5 million pounds, 4.6 million pounds less than was pooled in March of last year. Florida producers supplied 176.9 million pounds of milk in February 2009 or 66.11% of the total producer milk pooled in Florida. In February 2008, Florida producers supplied 68.44% of producer milk pooled on the Florida market.

There were 12 regulated pool distributing plants and 4 cooperative associations submitting reports of receipts and utilization that were included in the computation of the uniform prices for March 2009. In-area Class I route disposition totaled 243.7 million pounds in February 2009, 2.1 million more than February 2008 and an increase of 4.5 percent after adjusting for leap year.

Packaged Class I Route Sales in Marketing Area

Product Description	Pounds	Percent
February 2009		
Whole Milk	84,159,624	34.53%
Fat Free Milk	35,573,269	14.60%
Lowfat Milk (incl. 1%)	30,171,981	12.38%
Reduced Fat Milk (incl. 2%)	72,410,700	29.71%
Cultured Fluid Milk (incl. Buttermilk)	1,113,406	0.46%
Flavored Drinks and Milk	20,295,225	8.33%
Total Disposition in Marketing Area	243,724,205	100.00%
Total Disposition by Pool Plants	217,744,202	89.34%
Total Disposition by Nonpool Plants	25,980,003	10.66%
Total Disposition in Marketing Area	243,724,205	100.00%

Mailbox Milk Prices, January 2009 with Comparisons

Reporting Area 1/	January 2008	December 2008	2008 Average	January 2009
New England States 3/	\$21.78	\$16.18	\$19.14	\$14.95
Eastern Pennsylvania 4/	\$21.30	\$15.63	\$18.60	\$14.45
Appalachian States 5/	\$22.21	\$16.58	\$20.12	\$16.55
Southeast States 6/	\$22.94	\$17.39	\$20.94	\$17.05
Southern Missouri 7/	\$21.15	\$15.54	\$18.84	\$14.98
Florida	\$23.87	\$18.61	\$22.50	\$18.39
Western Pennsylvania 8/	\$21.14	\$15.92	\$18.75	\$14.37
Indiana	\$21.23	\$15.83	\$18.77	\$14.86
Wisconsin	\$20.79	\$16.63	\$18.63	\$12.94
Corn Belt States 9/	\$19.97	\$15.20	\$17.78	\$13.61
Western Texas 10/	\$19.53	\$14.45	\$17.20	\$12.98
Northwest States 11/	\$19.59	\$14.55	\$17.25	\$12.75
All Federal Orders 12/	\$20.70	\$16.12	\$18.41	\$13.77
California 13/	\$17.97	\$12.83	\$16.17	\$10.57

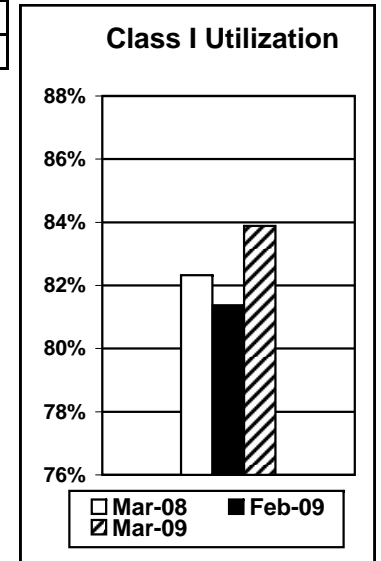
Source: Dairy Market News; 1/ Information is shown for those areas for which prices are reported for at least 75% of the milk marketed under Federal milk orders. 2/ Net pay price received by dairy farmers for milk. 3/ Includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. 4/ All the counties to the east of those listed in 8/. 5/ Includes Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. 6/ Includes Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, and Mississippi. 7/ The counties of Vernon, Cedar, Polk, Dallas, Laclede, Texas, Dent, Crawford, Washington, St. Francois, and Perry and all those to the south of these. 8/ The counties of Warren, Elk, Clearfield, Indiana, Westmoreland, and Fayette, and all those to the west of these. 9/ Includes Kansas, Nebraska and the Missouri counties to the north of those listed in 7/. 10/ All counties to the west of Fanin, Hunt, Van Zandt, Henderson, Anderson, Houston, Cherokee, Nacogdoches, and Shelby. 11/ Includes Oregon and Washington. 12/ Weighted average of the information for all selected reporting areas in Federal milk orders. 13/ Calculated by California Department of Food and Agriculture.

FEDERAL ORDER 6 - FLORIDA: 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 2008	\$20.53	\$1.4733	\$24.97	\$15.61	\$1.3389	\$19.75	\$15.19	\$1.3319	\$19.32	\$12.05	\$1.3319	\$16.29	\$19.59	\$1.3982	\$23.80
Feb	\$19.44	\$1.4060	\$23.68	\$14.39	\$1.3080	\$18.46	\$12.93	\$1.3010	\$17.03	\$10.48	\$1.3010	\$14.67	\$18.51	\$1.3523	\$22.60
Mar	\$16.54	\$1.3538	\$20.70	\$11.24	\$1.3674	\$15.63	\$13.72	\$1.3604	\$18.00	\$9.75	\$1.3604	\$14.17	\$15.71	\$1.3601	\$19.92
Apr	\$18.39	\$1.3883	\$22.61	\$10.47	\$1.4818	\$15.29	\$12.02	\$1.4748	\$16.76	\$9.74	\$1.4748	\$14.56	\$17.06	\$1.4380	\$21.50
May	\$17.30	\$1.5203	\$22.02	\$10.40	\$1.5632	\$15.51	\$13.20	\$1.5562	\$18.18	\$10.17	\$1.5562	\$15.26	\$16.56	\$1.5423	\$21.38
June	\$18.57	\$1.6165	\$23.58	\$10.89	\$1.6230	\$16.19	\$15.12	\$1.6160	\$20.25	\$10.64	\$1.6160	\$15.92	\$17.30	\$1.6194	\$22.36
July	\$21.10	\$1.6626	\$26.18	\$11.31	\$1.6844	\$16.81	\$12.82	\$1.6774	\$18.24	\$11.12	\$1.6774	\$16.60	\$19.72	\$1.6733	\$24.89
Aug	\$18.45	\$1.7344	\$23.87	\$11.74	\$1.7483	\$17.45	\$11.63	\$1.7413	\$17.32	\$10.93	\$1.7413	\$16.64	\$17.53	\$1.7413	\$23.01
Sep	\$17.38	\$1.7951	\$23.05	\$11.59	\$1.8266	\$17.58	\$10.27	\$1.8196	\$16.28	\$9.41	\$1.8196	\$15.45	\$16.63	\$1.8112	\$22.39
Oct	\$15.16	\$1.7991	\$20.93	\$10.46	\$1.8577	\$16.60	\$10.97	\$1.8507	\$17.06	\$7.40	\$1.8507	\$13.62	\$14.53	\$1.8291	\$20.42
Nov	\$16.69	\$1.8928	\$22.73	\$8.52	\$1.7800	\$14.45	\$9.64	\$1.7730	\$15.51	\$6.26	\$1.7730	\$12.25	\$15.37	\$1.8328	\$21.25
Dec	\$14.89	\$1.8465	\$20.83	\$6.88	\$1.3068	\$11.21	\$11.12	\$1.2998	\$15.28	\$6.01	\$1.2998	\$10.35	\$13.86	\$1.5719	\$18.88
Jan 2009	\$16.64	\$1.4523	\$21.14	\$6.74	\$1.1154	\$10.41	\$7.15	\$1.1084	\$10.78	\$5.92	\$1.1084	\$9.59	\$15.02	\$1.2645	\$18.92
Feb	\$12.47	\$1.1680	\$16.12	\$6.63	\$1.1011	\$10.25	\$5.68	\$1.0941	\$9.31	\$5.82	\$1.0941	\$9.45	\$11.47	\$1.1299	\$15.02
Mar	\$11.21	\$1.1458	\$14.83	\$6.51	\$1.1664	\$10.36	\$6.61	\$1.1594	\$10.44	\$5.78	\$1.1594	\$9.64	\$10.51	\$1.1561	\$14.19
Apr	\$11.96	\$1.2040	\$15.76	\$6.47											

FEDERAL ORDER 6 - FLORIDA: 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 2008	283,233	360	234,011	82.61%	23,387	8.26%	9,449	3.34%	16,386	5.79%
Feb	265,597	339	220,598	83.06%	20,508	7.72%	11,338	4.27%	13,153	4.95%
Mar	283,037	336	232,993	82.32%	22,223	7.85%	9,101	3.22%	18,720	6.61%
Apr	269,523	311	218,677	81.14%	22,625	8.39%	8,872	3.29%	19,348	7.18%
May	269,726	300	227,246	84.25%	19,153	7.10%	13,231	4.91%	10,096	3.74%
June	260,187	340	196,600	75.56%	18,866	7.25%	24,271	9.33%	20,450	7.86%
July	244,389	352	204,161	83.54%	20,312	8.31%	10,384	4.25%	9,531	3.90%
Aug	248,673	419	211,134	84.90%	22,179	8.92%	662	0.27%	14,698	5.91%
Sep	236,579	408	205,230	86.75%	20,137	8.51%	572	0.24%	10,640	4.50%
Oct	253,787	427	220,737	86.98%	20,057	7.90%	836	0.33%	12,156	4.79%
Nov	250,742	415	210,122	83.80%	19,828	7.91%	3,556	1.42%	17,237	6.87%
Dec	264,689	430	223,609	84.48%	18,762	7.09%	5,217	1.97%	17,101	6.46%
Jan 2009	286,220	404	233,649	81.64%	18,349	6.41%	11,770	4.11%	22,452	7.84%
Feb	267,601	410	217,760	81.37%	19,124	7.15%	15,258	5.70%	15,460	5.78%
Mar	278,448	400**	233,588	83.89%	22,457	8.07%	2,711	0.97%	19,692	7.07%



* Class I and uniform prices are at Hillsborough County (Tampa), Florida; ** Estimated

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Pool and Payment Dates For the Pooling Periods April through June 2009									
	Pool & Uniform Price	MA Payment Dates		Payments for Producer Milk					
		Due to:	Due From:	First Partial Payment Due**		Second Partial Payment Due**		Final Pay Due	
Pool Month	Release Date	All Funds	P/S	Coop	Non - member	Coop	Non - member	Coop	Non - member
APR 2009	05/11/09	05/12/09	05/13/09	04/20/09	04/20/09	05/04/09	05/05/09	05/13/09	05/14/09
MAY 2009	06/11/09	06/12/09	06/15/09	05/19/09	05/20/09	06/04/09	06/05/09	06/15/09	06/16/09
JUN 2009	07/11/09	07/13/09	07/14/09	06/19/09	06/22/09	07/06/09	07/06/09	07/14/09	07/15/09

**The base rate for making partial payments in Hillsborough Co., FL for April will be \$12.77 per hundredweight for cooperatives (90 percent of the preceding month's uniform price) and \$12.01 for nonmembers (85 percent of the preceding month's uniform price).

Producer Touch Base Requirements & Handler Diversion Limits													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Producer Touch Base Days	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	
Diversion Percentage Limits	15%	15%	20%	20%	20%	20%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	15%	

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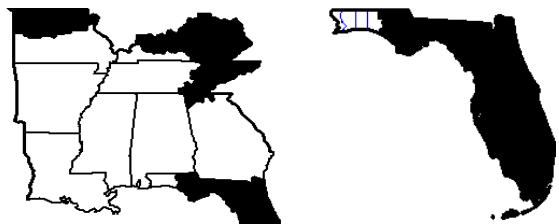
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Milk production forecasts for 2009 are lowered from last month. Cow numbers for 2009 are forecast lower, as producers are expected to liquidate herds in response to poor returns. The recently announced Cooperatives Working Together (CWT) herd buyout is expected to encourage a more rapid reduction in cow numbers by encouraging producers to reduce herds. Milk per cow growth is slowed from last month reflecting poor returns. Import forecasts are unchanged from last month, but commercial exports are lowered due to reduced butter exports. CCC net removals are reduced as strengthening prices through the year will result in lower sales of dairy products to the CCC.

Milk price estimates for 2009 are raised. Forecasts for all dairy products are up from last month. Reductions in milk supplies are expected to support product prices. As a result of higher product prices, the Class III and Class IV price forecasts are raised from last month. The all milk price is also forecast higher this month at \$11.85 to \$12.35 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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