

# NAJ Weekly Market Update

#### **CASH DAIRY PRODUCT MARKETS**

			Weekly Average for Week Ending:													Friday's
For Week Ending:	<u>(</u>	03/22/24		03/29/24		04/05/24		04/12/24		04/19/24		04/26/24		05/03/24		Close
CME Cheddar 40# Blocks	\$	1.4280	\$	1.4194	\$	1.4555	\$	1.5470	\$	1.6155	\$	1.7500	\$	1.7685	\$	1.7900
CME Cheddar Barrels	\$	1.4780	\$	1.4288	\$	1.4635	\$	1.5620	\$	1.6125	\$	1.7705	\$	1.8458	\$	1.8800
CME Grade "AA" Butter	\$	2.8210	\$	2.8438	\$	2.9160	\$	2.9365	\$	2.9250	\$	2.9750	\$	3.0135	\$	3.0750
USDA Western NFDM (Mostly)	\$	1.1750	\$	1.1650	\$	1.1550	\$	1.1400	\$	1.1300	\$	1.1200	\$	1.1200		
USDA Western Whey (Mostly)	\$	0.5000	\$	0.4900	\$	0.4900	\$	0.4825	\$	0.4800	\$	0.4700	\$	0.4700		
USDA Central Whey (Mostly)	\$	0.4300	\$	0.4075	\$	0.4050	\$	0.3937	\$	0.3850	\$	0.3850	\$	0.3850		
NDPSR Survey For Week Ending:	<u>(</u>	03/08/24	(	03/15/24	(	03/22/24	(	03/29/24	9	04/05/24	(	)4/12/24	(	04/19/24		04/26/24
Cheddar 40# Blocks:	\$	1.5978	\$	1.5982	\$	1.5603	\$	1.5114	\$	1.4844	\$	1.4856	\$	1.5106	\$	1.5797
Cheddar Barrels (38% Moisture):	\$	1.6671	\$	1.6508	\$	1.5637	\$	1.5306	\$	1.5011	\$	1.5143	\$	1.5555	\$	1.6267
Butter	\$	2.8220	\$	2.8648	\$	2.8481	\$	2.8656	\$	2.8796	\$	2.9090	\$	2.9299	\$	2.9745
Nonfat Dry Milk	\$	1.2000	\$	1.1983	\$	1.1972	\$	1.1403	\$	1.1898	\$	1.1728	\$	1.1525	\$	1.1190
Whey	\$	0.4835	\$	0.4863	\$	0.4650	\$	0.4621	\$	0.4481	\$	0.4399	\$	0.4274	\$	0.4087
Class III Estimator	\$	16.60	\$	16.55	\$	15.82	\$	15.41	\$	15.07	\$	15.10	\$	15.35	\$	15.94
Class IV Estimator	\$	20.11	\$	20.28	\$	20.20	\$	19.78	\$	20.27	\$	20.24	\$	20.16	\$	20.06

## MONTHLY MILK AND MILK COMPONENT PRICES

For Month:	5	Sep-23	Oct-23		Nov-23		Dec-23		<u>Jan-24</u>		Feb-24		Mar-24		Apr-24	
FMMO Prices, 3.5% Fat, 2.99% True Protein																
FMMO Class I Base Price	\$	18.90	\$	19.47	\$	19.75	\$	19.76	\$	18.48	\$	17.99	\$	18.80	\$	19.18
FMMO Class II Price	\$	19.98	\$	21.95	\$	21.21	\$	19.88	\$	20.04	\$	20.53	\$	21.12	\$	21.23
FMMO Class III	\$	18.39	\$	16.84	\$	17.15	\$	16.04	\$	15.17	\$	16.08	\$	16.34	\$	15.50
FMMO Class IV	\$	19.09	\$	21.49	\$	20.87	\$	19.23	\$	19.39	\$	19.85	\$	20.09	\$	20.11
FMMO Producer Component Prices Per Pound																
Milkfat	\$	3.1264	\$	3.7144	\$	3.4608	\$	2.9778	\$	2.9765	\$	3.1031	\$	3.2385	\$	3.3309
True Protein	\$	2.3027	\$	1.0468	\$	1.3238	\$	1.4499	\$	1.1265	\$	1.2255	\$	1.1265	\$	0.8345
Other Solids	\$	0.0992	\$	0.1243	\$	0.1895	\$	0.2242	\$	0.2417	\$	0.2738	\$	0.2881	\$	0.2367

# CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE (CME) FUTURES MARKETS

Closing Prices	<u> </u>	//AY24	3	JUN24	JUL24	AUG24	3	SEP24	9	OCT24	į	NOV24	DEC24
Cash Settled Butter (¢ / lb.):		301.500		307.000	308.400	310.775		313.000		314.500		313.500	299.600
Change from last week (¢ / lb.):		6.000		7.750	6.150	6.275		7.000		5.250		4.750	2.000
Cash Settled Cheese (\$ / lb.):	\$	1.8620	\$	1.9340	\$ 1.9400	\$ 1.9380	\$	1.9480	\$	1.9130	\$	1.8890	\$ 1.8330
Change from last week:	\$	0.045	\$	0.103	\$ 0.087	\$ 0.069	\$	0.058	\$	0.028	\$	0.038	\$ 0.013
Class III Milk Contract, 3.5% Fat	\$	18.41	\$	19.24	\$ 19.28	\$ 19.30	\$	19.35	\$	19.14	\$	18.85	\$ 18.37
Change from last week:	\$	0.38	\$	1.15	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.67	\$	0.64	\$	0.42	\$	0.36	\$ 0.22
Open Interest (Previous Day)		4239		4338	2412	1535		1318		1121		1165	1020
Change from last week:		-462		240	304	122		36		46		17	27

## DAIRY NEWS OF INTEREST

## **Market Update**

Butter prices soared on the CME this week, closing 10.5 cents higher at \$3.075 on 43 trades. Barrels jumped 10.75 cents to \$1.88 on 9 loads traded, and blocks climbed 4 cents to \$1.79 on just 2 sales. Nonfat dry milk increased 2 cents to \$1.13 on 21 truckloads. Whey inched up 1.4 cents to \$0.395 on 11 loads traded.

In futures markets Class III contracts average \$19.12/cwt. for April through September, while Class IV contracts average \$21.02 for the same six months.

#### **U.S. Dairy Exports Update**

According to USDA Foreign Agricultural Service, total U.S. dairy exports in the month of March were down 4.5% to 527 million pounds. Nonfat dry milk and skim milk powder combined lost 18.4% to 140.4 million pounds. Total cheese exports posted a 20.5% increase to 110.3 million pounds. Dry whey dropped 22.3% to 36.4 million pounds, and butter fell 42.4% to 5 million pounds.

## **March Dairy Margin Coverage**

Tuesday's Agricultural Prices report released by USDA resulted in the DMC income over feed cost being calculated to be \$9.65. There will be no indemnities paid for March production. The all-milk price increased by a dime to \$20.70/cwt. On the feed side of the equation costs fell by \$0.11 cwt. to \$11.05. Corn remained unchanged from February at \$4.36/bu. Premium alfalfa hay lost \$7 a ton to \$271, and soybean meal slipped \$1.46 per ton to \$362.17.

#### **China's Dairy Imports**

Through March, China's dairy imports were down 14.6% to 1.536 billion pounds.

#### **April Class and Component Prices**

April's Class III price was \$15.50/cwt., \$0.84 less than March and \$3.02 less than last Ap.il. Class IV picked up \$0.02 at \$20.11, and Class II gained \$0.11 at \$21.23. Butterfat increased by \$0.10 to \$3.3009. Protein dropped \$0.29 to \$0.8345, the lowest protein price since federal order reform began in 2000. Other solids lost a nickel to \$0.2367.