

Federal Milk Order Reform Final Decision: Product Price Averages

The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) began collecting, in September 1998, weekly prices and volume traded for butter, nonfat dry milk and dry whey. Monthly and two-week averages of these new price series, along with those already collected for cheese, will be used in the Federal milk order Final Decision pricing formulas. Listed below are these averages for the time period September 1998 to date. This table will be updated on a monthly basis as the data become available.

Year and Time Period	Product Price Averages ^{1/} For:									
	Class I/II					Class III/IV				
	Weeks ending	Butter	Cheese	Nonfat dry milk	Dry Whey	Weeks ending	Butter	Cheese	Nonfat dry milk	Dry Whey
	<u>Dollars per pound</u>					<u>Dollars per pound</u>				
<u>1998</u>										
Sep	9/4,11	2.5918	1.5842	1.0466	0.2624	9/4,11,18,25	2.6726	1.6260	1.0518	0.2637
Oct	10/9,16	2.4828	1.7597	1.0705	0.2563	10/2,9,16,23	2.5081	1.7607	1.0732	0.2544
Nov	11/6,13	2.0889	1.8269	1.0745	0.2426	10/30,11/6,13,20,27	1.9260	1.8278	1.0745	0.2425
Dec	12/4,11	1.3049	1.8552	1.0834	0.2450	12/4,11,18,25	1.3563	1.8643	1.0864	0.2436
<u>1999</u>										
Jan	1/9,16	1.4165	1.8198	1.0715	0.2213	1/2,9,16,23,30	1.4154	1.7225	1.0637	0.2137
Feb	2/6,13	1.2957	1.2824	1.0411	0.1909	2/6,13,20,27	1.2984	1.2925	1.0359	0.1897
Mar	3/6,13	1.3437	1.3056	1.0180	0.1913	3/6,13,20,27	1.3019	1.3064	1.0169	0.1917
Apr	4/10,17	1.0032	1.3154	1.0056	0.1842	4/3,10,17,24	1.0160	1.3126	1.0071	0.1845
May	5/8,15	0.9960	1.2639	1.0055	0.1748	5/1,8,15,22,29	1.0781	1.2499	1.0069	0.1739
Jun	6/5,12	1.4352	1.2422	1.0067	0.1717	6/5,12,19,26	1.4609	1.2786	1.0046	0.1711
Jul	7/10,17	1.3705	1.4548	1.0058	0.1724	7/3,10,17,24	1.3793	1.4583	1.0054	0.1724
Aug	8/7,14	1.4208	1.6849	1.0087	0.1773	7/31,8/7,14,21,28	1.3683	1.7154	1.0089	0.1810
Sep	9/4,11	1.3324	1.8008	1.0155	0.1872	9/4,11,18,25	1.3252	1.7084	1.0174	0.1892
Oct	10/9,16	1.1439	1.4359	1.0188	0.1920	10/2,9,16,23,30	1.1273	1.3934	1.0183	0.1944
Nov	11/6,13	1.0695	1.2521	1.0184	0.1901	11/6,13,20,27	1.0637	1.2058	1.0168	0.1917
Dec	12/11,18	0.9220	1.1268	1.0125	0.1870	12/4,11,18,25	0.9179	1.1371	1.0111	0.1892

^{1/} These averages are the average of the applicable weekly prices weighted by the sales volume for the week. See the columns labeled “weeks ending” for applicable weeks. The most recently released information for the week will be used. Once an average price has been computed, it will not be revised even if NASS issues revised data for a week used to compute the average. However, for the period September-December 1998, as NASS was developing the three new price series, these averages were changed to include revisions issued after the average’s scheduled computation date.