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The bottom of the whey protein concentrate 34% (WPC 34%) price range and mostly price series were unchanged this week, while the tops of each slid lower. Some stakeholders suggest a recent increase in prices for other dairy proteins this may contribute to an uptick in demand for WPC 34% in the coming weeks, though demand has not picked up yet this week. Interest in WPC 34% remains light from purchasers in domestic and international markets. Contacts note loads of WPC 34% produced domestically are being sold at higher prices than loads produced internationally. Spot loads of WPC 34% are available for purchasing, but some manufacturers have lighter stocks and are comfortable maintaining inventories, rather than selling loads at lower prices. Plant managers continue to focus their production schedules on higher whey protein concentrates and whey protein isolate, keeping WPC 34% production limited.

Prices for: Central and Western U.S., All First Sales, F.O.B., Extra Grade, Conventional, and Edible Whey Protein Concentrate

Price Range - 34% Protein; \$/LB:	.9200 - 1.1725
Mostly Range - 34% Protein; \$/LB:	.9500 - 1.0500

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