



## Skim Milk Powder - Europe

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European skim milk powder (SMP) prices have firmed this reporting period. Tighter farm milk availability and active cheese production have kept European SMP production in check. SMP inventories are snug. Although spot demand and further buyer inquiries have been off and on, end users are pulling steadily against current contracts. Industry sources suggest more demand is originating from within the European continent than in international markets. Manufacturers are anticipating reduced buyer activity from the Middle East over the next few weeks as various periods of fasting begin.

### Prices for: Europe, All First Sales, Free on Board - Port, Conventional, and Edible Skim Milk Powder

Price Range - 1.25% Butterfat; \$/MT: 2,650 - 2,875

Information for the period February 19 - March 1, 2024, issued biweekly

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#### EU SMP Production

According to CLAL data made available to USDA, EU December SMP production is estimated at 107,900 MT, unchanged from December 2022. EU SMP production January-December 2023 is estimated at 1,243,000 MT, down 4.9 percent from January-December 2022. Among some of the leading European SMP producing countries, the January-December 2023 quantity and percentage change compared with January-December 2022 are France, 363,290 MT, - 4.5 percent; Germany, 347,215 MT, - 1.2 percent; and Belgium, 184,510 MT, - 6.3 percent.

#### EU SMP Exports

SMP exports from the EU27 January-December 2023, 780,000 MT, increased 10.3 percent from January-December 2022 according to CLAL data made available to USDA. Main destinations January-December 2023, quantity, and percent change from January-December 2022 are Algeria, 145,047 MT, +29.11 percent; China, 69,007 MT, - 16.00 percent; and Egypt, 51,869 MT, +26.86 percent.

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