

South American Dairy Market Overview

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Key dairy producing countries in the region continue to have steady to strong milk production. Contacts in region convey milk yields from dairy farmers are stronger than they have been in recent years. Climatic changes this year have been milder than the dryness and flooding Argentina and Uruguay dairy stakeholders had at hand this time last year. Handlers in the region describe feed costs as affordable for dairy farmers. Feed availability is noted as steady.

Demand is steady in the region. South American traders generally indicate buyers have already secured many loads of dry dairy ingredients for throughout Q2. Although stakeholders convey steadily increasing prices, they also indicate buyers remain somewhat actively looking to make purchases from Argentinian and Uruguayan sellers. Demand from Brazilian buyers is strong, while demand elsewhere is somewhat more active. Industry participants indicate Brazilian cheese demand from other countries in the region has lightened over recent months.

Information for the period April 14 - 25, 2025, issued biweekly

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SMP exports from Uruguay during January - February 2025, 3,300 MT, increased 16.7 percent from the same duration in 2024, according to CLAL data made available to USDA.

SMP imports to Brazil during January - March 2025, 10,800 MT, decreased 2.3 percent from the same duration in 2024, according to CLAL data made available to USDA.

At GDT Event 378, on April 15, SMP prices across all contracts averaged \$2,795 per metric ton, down 2.3 percent from the previous GDT event.

WMP exports from Uruguay during January - February 2025, 30,000 MT, increased 10.5 percent from the same duration in 2024, according to CLAL data made available to USDA.

WMP imports to Brazil during January - March 2025, 40,000 MT, increased 7.0 percent from the same duration in 2024, according to CLAL data made available to USDA.

At GDT Event 378, on April 15, WMP prices across all contracts averaged \$4,171 per metric ton, up 2.8 percent from the previous GDT event.

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