

Cheese - Oceania

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The price range for Oceania cheese shifted lower, during the current reporting period. Contacts report retail cheese demand is steady in Oceania, but food service cheese sales continue to soften. Sales of cheese from Oceania to international markets have been steady in recent weeks. Cheesemakers in Oceania are running lighter production schedules amid declining seasonal milk output. Cheddar cheese prices were unchanged for the September contract during GDT event 378 but declined in the other three contract periods in which loads were traded. At GDT event 378 last week the volume of cheddar cheese traded declined from the prior event but was up from a year prior.

Prices for: Oceania, Cheese, Cheddar, 39% Maximum Moisture, F.O.B. - Port

Price Range - \$/MT: 4,900 - 5,050

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

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Dairy Australia recently released export data for Australia showing cheddar cheese export volumes from July 2024 - February 2025 were 21,178 MT, up 44.0 percent from the same time period a year earlier. Other cheese export volumes from July 2024 - February 2025 were 92,339 MT, 20.3 percent higher compared to the same time frame a year prior.

Recently released export data from New Zealand showed March 2025 cheese export volumes increased 39.0 percent from the year prior. Export volumes of cheese from January - March 2025 were up 34.1 percent from the same time frame a year ago.

During GDT event 378, on April 15, 2025, the cheddar all contracts price, \$4,923, decreased 1.8 percent from the prior event. The May contract, \$4,945, was down 4.3 percent.

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