

## Organic Dairy Fluid Overview

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Federal Milk Market Order 1, in New England, reports utilization of types of organic milk by pool plants. During March 2025, organic whole milk utilization totaled 21.136 million pounds, up from 19.15 million pounds the previous year. The butterfat content, 3.31 percent, is up from 3.29 percent a year ago. The utilization of organic reduced fat milk, 16.57 million pounds, increased from 15.67 million pounds a year ago. The butterfat content, 1.49 percent, is unchanged from the previous year.

The February 2025 European organic milk average pay price increased in Austria, Germany, and Bavaria compared to January but decreased in France. The average pay price in February 2025 was up from a year ago in Austria, France, Germany, and Bavaria.

A large Dutch organic milk processor announced that the guaranteed price for organic farm milk in May 2025 is 67.00 EUR/100kg (\$76.15 USD), up 1.00 euro from April 2025. The processor stated the increased price includes a correction for underestimating payment in the previous month and noted the price includes a seasonal discount for May. The guaranteed organic price applies to 100kg of milk with standard contents: protein (3.58%), fat (4.45%), and lactose (4.53%). The amounts apply to an average supply of 550,000 kg of milk annually.

A cooperative announced their May organic milk pay price in the UK was unchanged from the previous month, 58.01 pounds (\$77.30 USD) per liter. The cooperative stated in the announcement global milk supplies are increasing and retail sales are slowly growing. They further noted markets for commodities and organic milk are stable.

In a recent report from a Pacific Northwest livestock auction, the top 10 organic cull cows and the overall average for organic cull cows traded lower than conventional cull cows. The average price for the top 10 organic cows auctioned was \$144.45 per hundredweight, compared to an average price of \$146.65 per hundredweight for the top 10 conventional cows auctioned. The average weight for the top 10 conventional cows was 1409.5 pounds compared to 1471.0 pounds for the top 10 organic cows. The overall price for organic cows auctioned was \$118.05 per hundredweight with an average weight of 1180.79 pounds, while the overall price for conventional cows auctioned was \$121.04 per hundredweight with an average weight of 1272.33 pounds.

Compared to last period: Trade activity and demand for feed grade organic grains is moderate. Organic feed corn sold 8 cents higher delivered elevator with forward contracts delivering Q2 through Q4 2025. Organic feed soybeans sold 74 cents delivered elevator with forward contracts delivering Q2 through Q4 2025. Organic feed wheat sold 21 cents higher delivered elevator. Trade was inactive for all other organic grain and feedstuffs. The next report will be published Wednesday, May 14, 2025.

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