

FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AND UTILIZATION SUMMARY, DECEMBER 2015

Highlights. Handler reports of receipts and utilization under the Federal milk order system for December 2015 have been filed and tabulated. Combined totals for the 10 consolidated orders are being released. During December, 11.729 billion pounds of milk were received from Federally pooled producers. This volume of milk is 1.0 percent higher than the December 2014 volume. Regulated handlers pooled 3.601 billion pounds of producer milk as Class I products, down 0.3 percent when compared to the previous year. Class I utilization increased from last year in 6 of the 10 Federal Milk Order Marketing areas. The all-market average Class utilization percentages were: Class I = 31%, Class II = 9%, Class III = 49%, and Class IV = 11%. The weighted average statistical uniform price was \$16.31 per cwt, down \$0.94 from last month and down \$3.79 from last year.

Price and Pool Statistics for Federal Milk Order Marketing Areas for the Month of December 2015

Federal Milk Order Marketing Area ¹	Order Number	Receipts of Producer Milk		Utilization of Producer Milk in Class I		Utilization of Producer Milk in All Classes ³				Uniform Price ²
		Total	Change from Prev. Year	Total	Change from Prev. Year	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV	
		<i>(million lbs)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(million lbs)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)³</i>				<i>(\$ per cwt)</i>
Northeast (Boston)	001	2,192.2	0.5	778.9	-3.6	36	21	26	17	17.27
Appalachian (Charlotte)	005	503.3	3.9	338.7	2.3	67	14	6	13	18.68
Florida (Tampa)	006	238.1	0.3	202.9	0.9	85	10	3	1	20.99
Southeast (Atlanta)	007	456.8	4.7	340.0	0.2	74	13	7	6	19.34
Upper Midwest (Chicago)	030	3,079.0	7.4	308.2	-1.2	10	1	88	1	14.86
Central (Kansas City)	032	1,329.1	-1.4	422.1	-0.9	32	8	49	11	15.75
Mideast (Cleveland)	033	1,575.0	-5.7	547.5	0.4	35	11	37	18	16.13
Pacific Northwest (Seattle)	124	738.6	1.8	173.3	-1.7	23	6	43	28	15.68
Southwest (Dallas)	126	1,191.9	-4.8	373.2	2.7	31	5	59	4	16.51
Arizona (Phoenix)	131	424.7	3.9	115.6	5.2	27	11	28	34	16.24
ALL MARKET AVERAGE OR TOTAL³		11,728.7	1.0	3,600.5	-0.3	31	9	49	11	16.31

¹ Names in parentheses are the major city in the principal pricing point of the market.

² Statistical uniform price for component pricing orders (Class III price plus producer price differential). For other orders, uniform skim milk price times 0.965 plus uniform butterfat price times 3.5.

³ Totals may not add to 100 percent due to rounding.

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