

FEDERAL MILK ORDER PRICE AND POOL SUMMARY, APRIL

HIGHLIGHTS. Handler reports of receipts and utilization under the Federal milk order system for April have been filed and tabulated. Combined totals for the 11 consolidated orders are being released. During April, about 10.1 billion pounds of milk were received from producers. This volume of milk is 33.1 percent higher than the adjusted April 1999 volume. Slightly more than 3.6 billion pounds of producer milk were used in Class I products, 6.8 percent lower than the previous year. The timing of the Easter season, as well as calendar composition, likely had a negative impact on milk used in Class I in 2000 as compared to 1999. The all-market average Class utilization percentages were; Class I – 36, Class II – 10, Class III - 43, and Class IV – 11. The weighted average statistical uniform price (blend price under old pricing system) was \$11.63 per cwt., \$0.04 more than last month, and \$0.52 less than last year.

PRICE AND POOL STATISTICS FOR FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AREAS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2000										
FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AREA ^{1/}	ORDER NUMBER	RECEIPTS OF PRODUCER MILK		UTILIZATION OF PRODUCER MILK IN CLASS I			UTILIZATION OF PRODUCER MILK IN OTHER CLASSES			UNIFORM PRICE ^{3/}
		TOTAL	CHANGE FROM PREV. YEAR ^{2/}	TOTAL	CHANGE FROM PREV. YEAR ^{2/}	PERCENT	CLASS II	CLASS III	CLASS IV	
		MIL. LBS.	PERCENT	MIL. LBS.	PERCENT		PERCENT			\$ PER CWT.
Northeast (Boston)	001	2,091.4	-0.6	816.1	-3.5	39	17	30	13	12.46
Appalachian (Charlotte)	005	565.7	7.8	340.7	-13.4	60	15	9	16	13.23
Southeast (Atlanta)	007	671.5	17.3	383.3	-5.7	57	10	18	14	12.88
Florida (Tampa)	006	258.9	0.0	211.7	-3.5	82	7	2	9	14.55
Mideast (Cleveland)	033	1,104.8	1.3	523.1	-9.7	47	16	27	10	11.77
Upper Midwest (Chicago)	030	2,068.8	181.9	325.6	-9.8	16	4	79	1	10.15
Central (Kansas City)	032	1,340.6	90.4	381.3	2.1	28	7	60	4	10.84
Southwest (Dallas)	126	742.2	12.3	313.2	-5.9	42	10	43	5	12.05
Arizona-Las Vegas (Phoenix)	131	288.8	12.4	77.1	-11.6	27	4	31	38	11.44
Western (Salt Lake City)	135	392.0	117.5	76.0	-22.6	19	8	58	15	10.76
Pacific Northwest (Seattle)	124	586.4	15.0	162.8	-8.5	28	7	32	33	11.31
ALL MARKET AVERAGE OR TOTAL	4/	10,111.0	33.1	3,610.8	-6.8	36	10	43	11	11.63

^{1/} Names in parentheses are principal pricing points of markets.

^{2/} Previous year figures are the simple summation of the data for the orders that were consolidated. For those orders that also include partial marketing area changes or the addition of unregulated area, the figures for the previous year were adjusted for these changes; in some cases these adjustments are based on estimated data. No adjustments to previous year figures were made for handler regulation shifts that result from other than marketing area changes. Also in April 1999, there was significant volumes of milk not pooled due to disadvantageous price relationships.

^{3/} 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.

^{4/} Due to a disadvantageous relationship between the Class II price and the location adjusted statistical uniform (blend) price in some markets, handlers elected not to pool milk that normally would have been associated with these markets.