

FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AND UTILIZATION 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 10 consolidated orders are being released. During April, about 10.6 billion pounds of milk were received from producers. This volume of milk is 10.2 percent higher than the April 2007 volume. In April 2007, there was a significant volume of milk not pooled due to intraorder disadvantageous price relationships. About 3.7 billion pounds of producer milk were used in Class I products, 0.9 percent higher than the previous year. The timing of the Easter season, as well as calendar composition, likely had a positive impact on milk used in Class I in 2008 as compared to 2007. The all-market average Class utilization percentages were; Class I = 35%, Class II = 12%, Class III = 39%, and Class IV = 13%. The weighted average statistical uniform price was \$18.08 per cwt., \$0.44 higher than last month and \$1.46 higher than last year.

PRICE AND POOL STATISTICS FOR FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AREAS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2008										
FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AREA <u>1/</u>	ORDER NUMBER	RECEIPTS OF PRODUCER MILK		UTILIZATION OF PRODUCER MILK IN CLASS I			UTILIZATION OF PRODUCER MILK IN OTHER CLASSES			UNIFORM PRICE <u>2/</u>
		TOTAL	CHANGE FROM PREV. YEAR	TOTAL	CHANGE FROM PREV. YEAR	PERCENT	CLASS II	CLASS III	CLASS IV	
		MIL. LBS.	PERCENT	MIL. LBS.	PERCENT		PERCENT			\$ PER CWT.
Northeast (Boston)	001	2,121.5	11.6	850.2	0.9	40	20	24	16	18.55
Appalachian (Charlotte)	005	488.7	-5.0	346.7	2.0	71	17	4	8	20.21
Southeast (Atlanta)	007	608.6	-14.0	388.1	-1.6	64	13	17	6	19.97
Florida (Tampa)	006	269.5	-7.9	218.7	-0.6	81	8	3	7	21.50
Midwest (Cleveland)	033	1,444.1	2.0	536.6	1.2	37	18	35	10	17.77
Upper Midwest (Chicago)	030	2,512.7	30.0	371.4	1.8	15	5	77	3	17.23
Central (Kansas City)	032	1,030.8	13.4	354.0	-0.4	34	11	39	16	17.48
Southwest (Dallas)	126	1,088.0	7.9	355.3	1.9	33	9	37	22	18.18
Arizona (Phoenix)	131	372.7	8.9	117.6	2.5	32	6	26	36	17.28
Pacific Northwest (Seattle)	124	645.8	12.3	190.9	3.5	30	6	31	34	16.95
ALL MARKET AVERAGE OR TOTAL	<u>3/</u>	10,582.4	10.2	3,729.6	0.9	35	12	39	13	18.08

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/ In April 2007, due to a disadvantageous relationship between intraorder class prices and the location adjusted statistical uniform (blend) price in Order Nos. 033, 030, 032, and 126, handlers elected not to pool an estimated 900 million pounds of milk that normally would have been associated with these markets. After adjusting for this not-pooled volume, the year-to-year percent change is +0.9%.