

FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AND UTILIZATION SUMMARY, DECEMBER

HIGHLIGHTS. Handler reports of receipts and utilization under the Federal milk order system for December have been filed and tabulated. Combined totals for the 10 consolidated orders are being released. During December, about 10.2 billion pounds of milk were received from producers. This volume of milk is 10.1 percent higher than the December 2008 volume. In December 2008 and December 2009, there were significant volumes of milk not pooled due to intraorder disadvantageous price relationships. About 4.0 billion pounds of producer milk were used in Class I products, 0.6 percent higher than the previous year. Calendar composition likely had a negative impact on milk used in Class I in 2009 as compared to 2008. The all-market average Class utilization percentages were: Class I = 39%, Class II = 11%, Class III = 40% and Class IV = 10%. The weighted average statistical uniform price was \$15.68 per cwt., \$1.04 higher than last month and \$0.73 higher than last year.

PRICE AND POOL STATISTICS FOR FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AREAS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2009										
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	1,912.1	-3.3	904.2	-1.1	47	17	23	12	16.11
Appalachian (Charlotte)	005	504.5	-3.5	363.1	0.4	72	13	6	9	16.99
Southeast (Atlanta)	007	615.8	1.5	413.0	2.1	67	10	17	6	17.23
Florida (Tampa)	006	254.4	-3.9	223.0	-0.3	88	8	<u>3/</u>	4	18.99
Mideast (Cleveland)	033 <u>4/</u>	1,390.6	13.5	606.1	3.3	44	17	32	7	15.12
Upper Midwest (Chicago)	030 <u>4/</u>	2,698.6	16.4	391.4	-0.6	15	5	77	3	15.06
Central (Kansas City)	032 <u>4/</u>	971.3	4.6	381.5	1.4	39	13	32	16	14.96
Southwest (Dallas)	126	900.9	49.2	370.5	0.9	41	8	43	8	16.00
Arizona (Phoenix)	131	345.8	-3.6	123.4	2.3	36	8	28	28	15.50
Pacific Northwest (Seattle)	124 <u>4/</u>	618.6	30.9	200.7	-1.5	32	6	34	27	15.05
ALL MARKET AVERAGE OR TOTAL	<u>4/</u>	10,212.7	10.1	3,976.8	0.6	39	11	40	10	15.68

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/ Less than 0.5 percent.

4/ Due to a disadvantageous relationship between intraorder class prices and the location adjusted statistical uniform price in these markets, handlers elected not to pool an estimated 450 million pounds of milk that normally would have been associated with these markets. In December 2008, the estimated not pooled volume of milk was 1.4 billion pounds, occurring in Order Nos. 033, 030, 032, 126, and 124. After adjusting for not-pooled milk, the year-to-year percent change is +0.2%.