

**FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AND UTILIZATION SUMMARY, DECEMBER 2011**

**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, more than 10.0 billion pounds of milk were received from producers. This volume of milk is 6.2 percent lower than the December 2010 volume. In December 2010 and December 2011, there were volumes of milk not pooled due to intraorder disadvantageous price relationships. More than 3.8 billion pounds of producer milk were used in Class I products, 2.9 percent lower than the previous year. Calendar composition likely had a positive impact on milk used in Class I in 2011 as compared to 2010. The all-market average Class utilization percentages were: Class I = 38%, Class II = 12%, Class III = 37% and Class IV = 13%. The weighted average statistical uniform price was \$19.13 per cwt., \$0.57 lower than last month and \$3.13 higher than last year.

<b>PRICE AND POOL STATISTICS FOR FEDERAL MILK ORDER MARKETING AREAS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2011</b>										
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 2/  \$ PER CWT.
		TOTAL	CHANGE FROM PREV. YEAR	TOTAL	CHANGE FROM PREV. YEAR	PERCENT	CLASS II	CLASS III	CLASS IV	
		MIL. LBS.	PERCENT	MIL. LBS.	PERCENT		PERCENT			
Northeast (Boston)	001	2,018.2	-2.1	881.8	-6.1	44	21	23	12	19.57
Appalachian (Charlotte)	005	536.2	1.8	362.4	-0.3	68	11	8	13	20.43
Florida (Tampa)	006	247.8	-2.6	215.6	-1.1	87	8	2	3	22.79
Southeast (Atlanta)	007	589.1	-6.4	389.7	-4.4	66	7	14	12	20.92
Upper Midwest (Chicago)	030 3/	2,517.0	-8.9	369.7	-5.5	15	6	76	4	18.71
Central (Kansas City)	032 3/	1,013.4	-14.4	394.7	-0.4	39	13	32	17	18.25
Mideast (Cleveland)	033 3/	1,365.3	4.4	551.2	-1.3	40	17	30	13	18.54
Pacific Northwest (Seattle)	124 3/	581.0	-11.7	190.6	-1.6	33	6	28	33	18.05
Southwest (Dallas)	126 3/	830.3	-16.1	376.3	-2.0	45	8	32	15	19.25
Arizona (Phoenix)	131	386.1	3.4	118.8	1.6	31	7	29	34	18.57
<b>ALL MARKET AVERAGE OR TOTAL</b>	<b>3/</b>	<b>10,084.3</b>	<b>-6.2</b>	<b>3,850.7</b>	<b>-2.9</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19.13</b>

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/ 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 1.341 billion pounds of milk that normally would have been associated with these markets. In December 2010, the estimated not pooled volume of milk was 222 million pounds, occurring in order numbers 030, 032, and 033. After adjusting for non pooled milk, the year-to-year percent change is -4.0%.

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