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**Dairy Week In Review**



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Dairy Prices	Price	Chge. from Week Ago	Chge. from Month Ago	Chge. from Year Ago
Class III Milk Price (Mar)	\$18.49/cwt.	▲ 2.0 %	▼ 9.1 %	▲ 11.9 %
Class IV Milk Price (Mar)	\$18.70/cwt.	▼ 0.2 %	▼ 5.3 %	▼ 6.4 %
Corn (Mar)	\$ 4.56/bushel	▲ 4.6 %	▼ 9.2 %	▲ 7.0 %
SBean Meal (Mar)	\$ 249.1/ton	▼ 12.9 %	▼ 15.2 %	▼ 24.8 %
DMC Margin (Jan)*	\$ 13.85/cwt.	—	▲ 3.5 %	▲ 63.3 %

*\*Each issue of "Dairy Week in Review" will report on the most recent Milk Margin published through USDA's Dairy Margin Coverage Program. This margin is published each month after the USDA Ag Prices Report is released.*

### Markets:

- The USDA announced February's Class III and Class IV prices. Class III dropped 16 cents per hundredweight (cwt) from January's \$20.34 to \$20.18. Looking ahead, Class III futures are trending down with March 2025 currently at \$18.49 per cwt, a 37 cent increase from last week's settlement of \$18.12. Right now, Class III futures are projected to fluctuate between \$18.50 and \$17.43 per cwt from April to December 2025.
- February's Class IV price saw an 83-cent decrease to \$19.90 per cwt from January's \$20.43. Week over week, Class IV futures fell 3 cents from last week's \$18.73 to \$18.70 per cwt. For April through July, Class IV futures waver between \$17.90 and \$18.30 per cwt. Moving into July 2025, Class IV futures are projected to climb steadily from \$18.64 to \$19.29 per cwt.

### Government/Industry:

- The Center will host the next PA Ag HPAI Monthly on Mar. 19 from 1pm to 2pm. The featured panelists will provide updates on PA's situation, mandatory testing, biosecurity plans, PPE supplies, and other resources. Participants can submit HPAI transmission, biosecurity, and other related questions in advance or ask in real-time. For more information or to add it your calendar, visit [www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/events](http://www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/events).
- On Mar. 21 from 12pm to 1pm, the Center will be hosting the next "Protecting Your Profits" titled "Navigating Dairy Margin Coverage." Special guest, Michael Sherman with FSA, will cover everything dairy farmers need to know about DMC signup, eligibility, production history key points, and coverage levels. For more information or to add it to your calendar, visit [www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/events](http://www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/events).
- With the uncertainty surrounding the Class III and Class IV futures, farmers should consider their risk management options. The 2025 Dairy Margin Coverage (DMC) enrollment period will remain open through Mar. 31, 2025. Dairy farmers can visit their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office or go online to check out the DMC Decision Tool to see 2025 margin and price forecasts. This will include catastrophic coverage, as well as higher coverage levels, for a yearly premium. To sign up or learn more about DMC, contact your local FSA Office.
- Penn State Extension will host additional workshops throughout PA to help dairy producers create effective biosecurity plans in accordance with PDA guidelines. During these open house workshops, dairy farmers can receive one-on-one help to work through the biosecurity plan components and state requirements. Registration is not required but is appreciated. Contact your local extension office or visit their website to learn more.
- The Center, Professional Dairy Managers of PA, Penn State Extension, and PA Beef Council are working together to host free Animal Care Workshops for dairy farmers and employees. Each workshop will run from 9am to 3pm and will offer antibiotic stewardship and pain management, calf care and nutrition, fitness to transport, and biosecurity sessions with an optional farm tour afterwards. Every participant will receive a certificate to show commitment to animal care and the National FARM program. The Crawford, Mifflin, and Bradford County workshops will all happen in early to mid-April. To register for the workshops, scan the QR code.

