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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 (Nov)	\$20.02/cwt.	▲ 0.4 %	▼ 11.2 %	▲ 17.1 %
Class IV Milk Price (Nov)	\$21.05/cwt.	▼ 0.05 %	▼ 0.2 %	▲ 2.1 %
Corn (Dec)	\$ 4.28/bushel	▲ 2.4 %	▲ 6.7 %	▼ 8.9 %
SBean Meal (Dec)	\$ 292.9/ton	▼ 2.2 %	▼ 6.3 %	▼ 37.6 %
DMC Margin (Sep)*	\$ 15.57/cwt.	—	▲ 13.5 %	▲ 84.5 %

**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:

- Based on the USDA Dairy Products report, Pennsylvania's total cheese production came in at 40.8 million pounds, increasing 9.7% year over year and 6.5 % month over month. However, Pennsylvania's butter production fell 39% from last year to 4.1 million pounds in September 2024. From August, Pennsylvania's butter production was down 29.3%.
- September's total U.S. cheese output reached 1.16 billion pounds, down 3.1% month over month. Italian type cheese production was estimated at 487 million pounds, up 1.5% from September 2023's levels and 2.7% under August's total. American type cheese totals dropped 3.7% from last September to September 2024 at 456 million pounds.
- U.S. butter production landed at 159 million pounds in September, up 11.3% from September 2023's levels. Non-fat dry milk for human consumption totaled 114 million pounds, up 14.3% year over year from 99 million pounds.

Government/Industry:

- A Voluntary Multistate HPAI Silo Surveillance Program will be open to Mid-Atlantic dairy processors to collect key data on the presence of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in milk silos in the region. The participating processing plants will collect samples regularly for testing. The samples will be shipped overnight for PCR and ELISA testing, with results shared with participating states. The goal is to improve HPAI surveillance and protect the Mid-Atlantic's dairy supply. For more information, please contact the Pennsylvania Department of Ag (PDA) at RA-ahds@pa.gov.
- The PDA encourages all Pennsylvania dairy farms to enroll in the Voluntary Lactating Dairy Cow Health Monitoring Program. Enrolled farms will benefit by no longer being required to individually test cattle prior to interstate movement. Testing will be performed at no cost to producers, and the Department or USDA will provide necessary sampling supplies after enrollment. To ask questions or request an enrollment form, please contact the Department at (717) 307-3259 or RA-ahds@pa.gov.
- With HPAI affecting poultry and dairy farms nationwide, the Center for Dairy Excellence and Penn Ag Industry Association partnered on Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 1pm to host a new, monthly Pennsylvania Agriculture HPAI Conference Call for producers and stakeholders from all animal agriculture industries. Panelists from state and federal agencies provided updates on the current situation, surveillance, programs, and remaining proactive. In case you missed it, you can watch the recording or read a summary on the Center's website under "Dairy Resources," then "Industry Calls."
- The Center offers biosecurity kits and "No Trespassing" signs at no cost to Pennsylvania dairy farmers. The biosecurity kits contains resources, tools, and signage from Secure Milk Supply and the National Dairy FARM Program to help dairies improve biosecurity on their operations. The "No Trespassing" signs encourage visitors to stop and call before entering the farm. The signs are made of a durable, weather-resistant PVC material and include high-vis colors, Spanish, and a place to write primary and secondary contact information. To order either of these or additional free materials, visit the Center's website and click on "Free Materials for Dairy Farmers" to view the Center's resource catalogue.