## **CDE DAIRY MARKETS & MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

All prices — TUESDAY, OCT. 29, 2019 — except where noted

**OCTOBER:** The latest USDA Crop Progress report released on October 28 indicates the Pennsylvania corn crop was affected by the wet spring. The report shows that in the last week of October, only 89% of the corn crop has reached maturity as compared to the 5-year average of 97%. However, harvest is on par with the five-year average at 53% of the acreage harvested.

The latest USDA Crop Production report released on October 10 shows that despite the challenging spring, corn yields in Pennsylvania are better than expected and are estimated at 160 bushels per acre up from September's estimate of 155 bushels per acre. 2019 corn production in Pennsylvania is expected to reach 153.6 million bushels this year up from 133.0 million bushels in 2018.

National milk production in September was up 1.43%, unexpectedly, to 17.616 billion pounds – driven by a strong production increase of 1.5 pounds per cow versus 2018. Production was up despite a 0.56% drop in the national herd size to 9.315 million head. September dairy cow slaughter was estimated at 255,700 up 3.35% compared to September 2018.

Pennsylvania milk production continued its decline, falling 3.8% from September 2018 to 800 million pounds. Encouragingly, production per cow increased 2.5 over last September. Pennsylvania maintained its herd size of 485,000 cows for the third month in a row. However, cow numbers in the Commonwealth have declined 32,000 head since September of 2018, indicating that Pennsylvania's milk production decline is a result of declining cow numbers not production per cow.

Commercial disappearance in August remained relatively strong, with butter and American style cheese up 15.3% and 3.9%, respectively. However, other style cheeses were down 2.6% while nonfat dry milk and skim milk powders were down 5.9%. August export value increased 2.97% versus last August and was estimated at \$487.10 million.

The closing Class III and IV futures prices on October 28 showed slight

improvements versus the end of last September. Class III futures for the next 12 months averages \$17.62 per hundredweight, 13 cents higher than this time last month and \$1.86 higher than

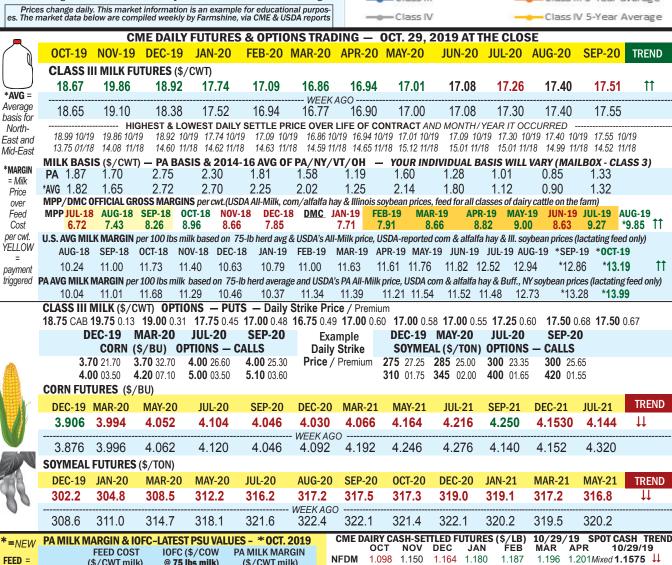
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the 5-year average. Class IV futures prices averaged \$17.18 per hundredweight, 8 cents more than this time last month and \$2.38 more than the 5-year average.

September production did jump unexpectedly, but milk production is still only increasing at about 0.56% per month over the last 12 months compared to the annual increase of 1.5% experienced over the last 10 years. Cow slaughter is still up nearly 4.5% over the last 12 months and is causing the national herd size to continue to constract. Hot weather is over, and it will be interesting to see what production does over the next few months leading into the spring flush. Right now, the futures market is showing us that milk is perceived to be in shorter supply going into next year.

## Class III and IV Futures Versus the 5-Year Average \$21.00 \$19.00 \$17.00 \$15.00 \$13.00 Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Class III Class III Class IV 5-Year Average



\*=NEW FEED = (\$/CWT milk) @ 75 lbs milk) (\$/CWT milk) \$/CWT \*10.49 11 OCT. \*6.89NC \*13.99 11 IOFC PREV MO 6.89 9.96 13.28 YR AGO

15 54

1200

1.201 Mixed 1.1575 4 0.335 WHEY 0.315 0.325 0.340 0.340 0.350 # 0.2675 BUTTER 2.150 2 118 2 087 2.080 2 091 2 130 2.160Mixed 2.0875 2.102 2.004 1.871 1.970 1.800 1.778 11 CHEESE BARRELS 2.2525 / 40 LB BLOCKS 2.1525 11 / 11 **CME SPOT CHEESE:** \*CURRENT FEDERAL ORDER VALUES (\$/LB) \* = \*NEW

450

475

CURRENT

84.50

76.00

41.00

N/A

\*\*USDA JUNE 2019\*\*

\*\*IL-MILK MAILEO.\*

\*FL \$22.00 \$19.16

\*NENSL \$19.00 \$18.74

\*SE \$19.40 \$18.03

APPAL \$19.10 \$17.96

\*NY \$18.60 \$17.70

\*WI \$17.90 \$17.67

\*PA \$18.80 \$17.61

\*U.S. \$18.10 \$17.45

\*OH \$18.10 \$17.45

YEAR AGO

15.53

WEIGHTED AVG. 4-WK OCT. 1 - 26, 2019 \* OCT 2019 **PRODUCT** VALUE MAKE ALLOW NET **COMPONENTS** CHEESE 1.9694 0.2003 1.7691 \*PROT 3.1700 \*BUTTER 2.1559 0.1715 1.9844 Џ \*B.FAT 2.4031 \*NFDM 1.0957 0.1678 0.9279 11 \*N.FAT 0.9186 11 \*DRYWHEY 0.3396 0.1991 0.1405 \*OTHER 0.1447

N/A

700

87 00

54 00

40.00

WFFK AGO

Price averages do not include lower-end 'common' cows and

heifers.

Average to high dressing **COWS Fresh** 

N/A

1190

1100 850 1125

Avg. of prices reported by USDA Market News for PA & NY Auction Markets Oct. 24-29, 2019

CULL MARKET COWS (\$/CWT LIVEWEIGHT)

Bred

800

 CULL MARKET COWS (\$/CWT LIVEWEIGHT)

 Premium White
 Breakers
 Boners
 Lean

 N/A
 54.75 ↓↓
 54.50 ↓↓
 44.85 ↓↓

 N/A
 57.25
 56.00
 48.85

YEAR AGO

49.25

50.00

44.8511 48.85 43.00

725

700

CATTLE - DAIRY PURPOSES(\$/HD) NORTHEAST (Avg. OCT. 30, 2019 sale New Holland, PA) \*MOST RECENT REPORT

FOUR WEEK RUNNING AVG

Choice & Prime 1250-1550 lbs

N/A

N/A



350

300

70-85 lbs

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800-1200 lbs BULLS (600-1800 lb)

825

750

YR AGO

82 50

94 00

47.00

11

11

17.26

Springing HEIFERS: Bred Beef x (bred) Springing Open: 300-600 lbs Beef X 600-800 lbs

1075

1000

BULL CALVES: No. 1 & 2 90-130 lbs

FED HOLSTEIN STEERS (\$/CWT LIVEWEIGHT)