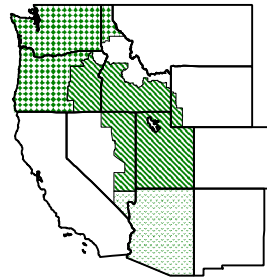


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MARKET SUMMARIES FOR OCTOBER

Comparisons to a year ago can be found in the tables on pages 6 and 7.

Pacific Northwest

Producers delivered a total of 565.4 million pounds of milk to the market during October. Comparisons to the previous month are biased due to eligible milk not pooled in October 2001. Fewer than three handlers did not pool milk; the amount of eligible milk not pooled is restricted. Daily deliveries averaged 18.2 million pounds, down 10.3 percent from September. An estimated 953 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Daily deliveries per producer averaged 19,139 pounds, up 13.9 percent from September.

Class I producer milk during October totaled 188.8 million pounds, 33.4 percent of total producer receipts. Daily usage averaged 6.1 million pounds, up 9.3 percent from September.

Producers delivered a total of 238.3 million pounds of milk to the market during October. Daily deliveries averaged 7.7 million pounds, up 3.3 percent from September. An estimated 115 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Daily deliveries per producer averaged 66,833 pounds, up 3.3 percent from September.

Class I producer milk during October totaled 83.1 million pounds, 34.9 percent of total producer receipts. Daily usage averaged 2.7 million pounds, up 2.9 percent from September.

Western

Producers delivered a total of 296.4 million pounds of milk to the market during October. Comparisons to the previous month are biased due to approximately 165.6 million pounds of eligible milk not pooled in October 2001. Daily deliveries

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Arizona-Las Vegas

Federal Order Producer Prices and Component Levels: October 2001

Producer Prices	FO124	FO131	FO135	Component Levels (%)	FO124	FO131	FO135
Uniform Price 1/*	14.38	15.01	14.35	Butterfat	3.704	3.630	3.653
Butterfat 2/	1.6526	1.8198	1.6526	Protein	3.112	N/A	3.126
Protein 2/	2.6664	N/A	2.6664	Other Solids	5.685	N/A	5.693
Other Solids 2/	0.1482	N/A	0.1482	Nonfat Solids	8.796	N/A	8.819
PPD 1/*	-0.22	N/A	-0.25				
Skim 1/	N/A	8.95	N/A				

N/A = not applicable. * Subject to applicable location adjustments. 1/ \$ per cwt. 2/ \$ per pound.

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9.6 million pounds, down 35.9 percent from September. An estimated 827 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Deliveries per producer averaged 11,560 pounds, down 40.6 percent from September.

Class I producer milk during October totaled 1.1 billion pounds, 31.2 percent of total producer milk. Daily usage averaged 3.0 million pounds, down 1.5 percent from September. ♦

The NASS butter price showed a net decrease of 5.25 cents between the weeks ending October 20 and November 17 from \$1.3824 per pound to \$1.3299 per pound.

The NASS nonfat dry milk showed a net decrease of 0.95 cents since mid-October to \$0.9305 per pound. The average price for NASS whole milk showed a net increase of 0.67 cents since mid-October to \$0.2889 per pound. ♦

OCTOBER'S CLASS PRICES

October's non-advanced Class Prices were determined using NASS commodity price surveys on October 6, 13, 20, and 27. Component prices for the month are \$2.6664 per pound of protein, \$0.1482 per pound of butterfat, \$0.1482 per pound of solids, and \$0.8041 per pound of nonfat solids.

October's Class III and IV prices at 3.5% butterfat are \$14.60 and \$12.77 per hundredweight, respectively. Class II butterfat was announced at \$1.6596 per pound. Class I whole butterfat and Class II skim prices for October were announced on September 21, 2001. The Class II price at 3.5% butterfat is \$13.53 for

October Class III price compared to September is down \$1.30. The Class III price is higher than October 2000 and \$4.80 above market price.

TABLE: NASS COMMODITY PRICES

	September	October	Change
	\$1.7085	\$1.5591	-\$0.1494
	\$2.1198	\$1.4701	-\$0.6497
Whole Milk	\$0.9497	\$0.9441	-\$0.0056
	\$0.2871	\$0.2835	-\$0.0036

Weighted average of barrels plus 3 cents and blocks. In January 2001, barrels changed from 39% to 38% moisture.

Commodity Prices - - The NASS survey of market cheese prices showed a decrease in prices received for 40-pound blocks and 500-pound barrels. The survey of 40-pound blocks showed a decrease of 33.93 cents between the October 20 and the November 17 surveys, to \$1.1825 per pound. The survey of 500-pound blocks (adjusted to 38% moisture) showed a decrease of 26.96 cents to \$1.1825 per pound.

DECEMBER'S CLASS I PRICE ANNOUNCEMENT

On November 23, the December 2001 Class I price was announced at \$13.88 for the Pacific Northwest and Western Orders, and \$14.33 for the Arizona-Las Vegas Order. The Class I price was calculated using NASS commodity price surveys from the weeks of November 10 and 17.

The December Class III and IV advance skim prices are \$6.32 and \$7.15 per hundredweight, respectively. The Class IV skim price set the Class I skim price for the first time since July 2001. The butterfat portion of the Class I mover decreased 40.43 cents from \$1.8556 to \$1.4513 per pound.

The December 2001 Class II skim and nonfat solids prices were also announced on November 23. The skim price is \$7.85 per hundredweight, and the nonfat solids price is \$0.8722 per pound for all Federal orders. ♦

ADVANCED: NASS COMMODITY PRICES FOR CLASS I PRICE CALCULATIONS

	November	December	Change
Cheese*	\$1.6777	\$1.2182	

**USDA SETS HEARING TO AMEND THE PACIFIC
NORTHWEST MILK MARKETING ORDER**

A public hearing is being held to consider proposals that would amend certain pooling provisions of the Pacific Northwest order. One proposal calls for eliminating certain supply plant qualification standards that currently allow cooperative associations which operate supply plants to include milk delivered direct from farms to pool distributing plants as a qualifying shipment for determining pool eligibility; prohibiting a pool plant operator from including milk diverted to pool distributing plants as a qualifying shipment for pooling; adding a provision that would provide for two or more cooperative pool manufacturing plants to operate as a system for meeting the shipment requirements for pooling; and establishing qualification standards for manufacturing plants located within the marketing area.

A second proposal would reduce the amount of milk that a pool plant may divert during the months of March through August and add a touch base provision that would require at least 6 days' milk production of a dairy farmer be physically received at a pool plant in order to be eligible for diversion.

Proponents have requested that the proposals be handled on an emergency basis.

DATES: The hearing will convene at 8:30 a.m. on December 4, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The hearing will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Seattle Airport, 18740 Pacific Highway South, Seattle, WA 98188, (206) 246-8600.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gino Tosi, Marketing Specialist, Order Formulation Branch, USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, Room 2971, South Building, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456, (202) 690-1366, e-mail address Gino.Tosi@usda.gov.

Persons requiring a sign language interpreter or other special accommodations should contact James Daugherty at (425) 487-6009; email fmmaseattle@fmmaseattle.com, before the hearing begins.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This administrative action is governed by the provisions of sections 556 and 557 of Title 5 of the United States Code and, therefore, is excluded from the requirements of Executive Order 12866.

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held at the Doubletree Hotel Seattle Airport, 18740 Pacific Highway South, Seattle, WA 98188, beginning at 8:30 a.m., on December 4, 2001, with respect to proposed amendments to the tentative marketing agreement and to the order regulating the handling of milk in the Pacific Northwest marketing area.

The hearing is called pursuant to the provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended (7 U.S.C. 601-674), and the applicable rules of practice and procedure governing the formulation of marketing agreements and marketing orders (7 CFR Part 900).

The purpose of the hearing is to receive evidence with respect to the economic and marketing conditions that relate to the proposed amendments, hereinafter set forth, and any appropriate modifications thereof, to the tentative marketing agreement and to the order.

Evidence also will be taken to determine whether emergency marketing conditions exist that would warrant omission of a recommended decision under the rules of practice and procedure (7 CFR 900.12(d)) with respect to Proposals No. 1 through 3.

Actions under the Federal milk order program are subject to the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.). This Act seeks to ensure that, within the statutory authority of a program, the regulatory and informational requirements are tailored to the size and nature of small businesses.

For the purpose of the Act, a dairy farm is a "small business" if it has an annual gross revenue of less than \$750,000, and a dairy products manufacturer is a "small business" if it has fewer than 500 employees. Most parties subject to a milk order are considered as a small business. Accordingly, interested parties are invited to present evidence on the probable regulatory and informational impact of the hearing proposals on small businesses. Also, parties may suggest modifications of these proposals for the purpose of tailoring their applicability to small businesses.

The amendments to the rules proposed herein have been reviewed under Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform. They are not intended to have a retroactive effect. If adopted, the proposed amendments would not preempt any state or local laws, regulations, or policies, unless they present an irreconcilable conflict with this rule.

The Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act provides that administrative proceedings must be exhausted before parties may file suit in court. Under section 8c(15)(A) of the Act, any handler subject to an order may request modification or exemption from such order by filing with the USDA a petition stating that the order, any provision of the order, or any obligation imposed in connection with the order is not in accordance with the law. A handler is afforded the opportunity for a hearing on the petition. After a hearing, the USDA would rule on the petition. The Act provides that the district court of the United States in any district in which the handler is an inhabitant, or has its principal place of business, has jurisdiction in equity to review the USDA's ruling on the petition, provided a bill in equity is filed not later than 20 days after the date of the entry of the ruling.

Interested parties who wish to introduce exhibits should provide the Presiding Officer at the hearing with (3) copies of such exhibits for the Official Record. Also, it would be helpful if additional copies are available for the use of other participants at the hearing.

Copies of this notice of hearing and the order may be procured from the Market Administrator of the Pacific Northwest Milk Marketing Area, or from the Hearing Clerk, Room 1083, South Building, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250, or may be inspected there.

Copies of the transcript of testimony taken at the hearing will not be available for distribution through the Hearing Clerk's Office. If you wish to purchase a copy, arrangements may be made with the reporter at the hearing.

From the time that a hearing notice is issued and until the issuance of a final decision in a proceeding, Department employees involved in the decision-making process are prohibited from discussing the merits of the hearing issues on an ex parte basis with any person having an interest in the proceeding. For this particular proceeding, the prohibition applies to employees in the following organizational units:

Office of the Secretary of Agriculture

Office of the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service

Office of the General Counsel

Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service (Washington office) and the Office of the Market Administrator for the Pacific Northwest Marketing Area.

Procedural matters are not subject to the above prohibition and may be discussed at any time. ♦

USDA HOLDS HEARING TO AMEND THE CENTRAL MILK MARKETING ORDER

Dairy farmers, milk processors and the public testified Wednesday, November 14, 2001, on proposals that would amend certain pooling and related provisions of the Central milk order.

Handlers who supply the fluid milk needs of the Central Order marketing area requested the hearing. The principal issue addressed at the hearing was the degree of association milk supplies should maintain with the Central fluid milk market to benefit from participation in the marketwide pool.

Proposals considered included making performance standards for participation in the pool year-round for both supply plants and producer milk, eliminating the possibility of the same milk sharing in the higher-valued returns of more than one marketwide pool, and increasing the rate of partial payments to dairy farmers. The hearing also considered relaxing some requirements for pooling the milk of individual producers.

Details of the proposals and a notice of the hearing were published in the October 23, 2001, *Federal Register*. Copies may be obtained from the Central milk market administrator's office, USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, 10801 Renner Blvd., Lenexa, Kansas 66219; P.O. Box 14650, Shawnee Mission, Kansas 66285-4650, <http://www.fmmacentral.com> or USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs, Rm. 2968, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456, <http://www.ams.usda.gov/dairy/>. ♦

NEW CHIEF OF ORDER FORMULATION NAMED

Clifford M. Carmen was appointed Chief of the Order Formulation Branch of the Dairy Programs section of the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service, effective September 23, 2001. He replaces John Borovies, who recently retired. One of the primary functions of the Order Formulation Branch is to handle Federal milk order amendment proceedings.

Carmen has been a senior marketing specialist with Order Formulation since January 1994. He was employed by dairy cooperatives in the Northeast from 1986 through 1993. Prior experience with USDA (1972-1986) includes authoring the Dairy Outlook and Situation Report published by the Economic Research Service. ♦

**IN-AREA DISPOSITION OF
FLUID MILK PRODUCTS:
JANUARY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2001**

In-area route disposition of fluid milk products is the amount of fluid milk products, from all sources, consumed in the selected marketing area. The tables below show in-area route disposition and the change from a year-ago for the Pacific Northwest, and Western Orders and pool handler route disposition for the Arizona-Las Vegas Order.

In each of the three orders, the historic trend of increasing lowfat milk products consumption and decreasing whole milk products consumption was not evident in the numbers below.

Arizona-Las Vegas Order

The table below for the Arizona-Las Vegas Order is in-area route disposition by product for pool handlers, January through September 2001 and 2000. For the period of January through September 2001, the total disposition of fluid milk products in the marketing area of the Arizona-Las Vegas Order is restricted, due to how information was released previously. During the first three

**In-Area Route Disposition By Pool Handlers
Arizona-Las Vegas Order (FO131)
January through September 2000 vs. 2001**

	2000	2001	Change
<u>Whole Milk Products</u>	- million pounds -		
Whole	176.0	179.1	2.14%
Flavored	<u>15.9</u>	<u>15.5</u>	<u>-2.44%</u>
Total Whole Milk 2/	191.9	194.6	1.76%
<u>Low-fat Milk Products</u>			
2%	284.9	265.7	-6.39%
1%	82.7	79.4	-3.66%
Skim	102.0	97.1	-4.44%
Buttermilk & Other 3/	<u>24.5</u>	<u>25.2</u>	<u>3.26%</u>
Total Low-fat Milk 2/	494.1	467.4	-5.05%
Combined Total 2/	686.0	662.0	-3.15%

* See footnotes below In-Area route Disposition, Western Orders (FO135) table.

quarters of 2001, in-area route disposition by pool handlers decreased 3.2 percent from the same period in 2000. During the first three quarters of 2001, in-area fluid milk disposition of whole milk products increased 1.8 percent, compared to a year earlier and lowfat milk products decreased 5.1 percent.

Pacific Northwest Order

For the period of January through September 2001, disposition of fluid milk products in the marketing area of the Pacific Northwest Order totaled 1,618.3 million pounds, a 0.6 percent increase from the same period in 2000. During the first three quarters of 2001, in-area fluid milk disposition of whole milk products increased 3.9 percent, compared to a year earlier but lowfat milk products decreased 0.1 percent.

**In-Area Route Disposition 1/
Pacific Northwest Order (FO124)
January through September 2000 vs. 2001**

	2000	2001	Change
<u>Whole Milk Products</u>	- million pounds -		
Whole	271.1	279.1	3.32%
Flavored	<u>17.9</u>	<u>20.2</u>	<u>13.36%</u>
Total Whole Milk 2/	289.0	299.3	3.94%
<u>Low-fat Milk Products</u>			
2%	718.5	712.5	-0.47%
1%	250.4	246.1	-1.35%
Skim	279.5	274.6	-1.37%
Flavored Low-fat	62.3	71.5	15.19%
Buttermilk & Other 3/	<u>15.0</u>	<u>14.3</u>	<u>-4.36%</u>
Total Low-fat Milk 2/	1325.7	1319.0	-0.13%
Combined Total 2/	1,614.6	1,618.3	0.60%

* See footnotes below In-Area route Disposition, Western Orders (FO135) table.

Western Order

For the period of January through September 2001, disposition of fluid milk products in the marketing area of the Western Order totaled 658.4 million pounds, a 0.7 percent decrease from the same period in 2000. During the first three quarters of 2001, in-area fluid milk disposition of whole milk products increased 2.2 percent, compared to a year earlier, but lowfat milk products decreased 1.3 percent. ♦

(See Table On Page 8)

MONTHLY SELECTED STATISTICS

	PACIFIC NORTHWEST			WESTERN			ARIZONA-LAS VEGAS		
	Oct 2001	Sep 2001	Oct 2000	Oct 2001	Sep 2001	Oct 2000	Oct 2001	Sep 2001	Oct 2000
Minimum Class Prices (3.5% B.)									
Class I Milk (\$/cwt.)	\$17.83	\$17.46	\$13.79	\$17.83	\$17.46	\$13.79	\$18.28	\$17.91	\$14.24
Class II Milk (\$/cwt.)	13.53	16.24	12.54	13.53	16.24	12.54	13.53	16.24	12.54
Class III Milk (\$/cwt.)	14.60	15.90	10.02	14.60	15.90	10.02	14.60	15.90	10.02
Class IV Milk (\$/cwt.)	12.77	15.59	11.81	12.77	15.59	11.81	12.77	15.59	11.81
Producer Prices									
Producer Price Differential (\$/cwt.)	\$(0.22)	\$ 0.44	\$ 1.77	\$(0.25)	\$ 0.42	\$ 1.47	+	+	+
Butterfat (\$/pound)	1.6526	2.4449	1.2444	1.6526	2.4449	1.2444	+	+	+
Protein (\$/pound)	2.6664	2.1647	1.8028	2.6664	2.1647	1.8028	+	+	+
Other Solids (\$/pound)	0.1482	0.1520	0.0471	0.1482	0.1520	0.0471	+	+	+
Uniform Skim Price (\$/cwt.)	+	+	+	+	+	+	8.95	8.56	7.88
Uniform Butterfat Price (\$/pound)	+	+	+	+	+	+	1.8198	2.4122	1.2522
Statistical Uniform Price (\$/cw . .)	\$14.38	\$16.34	\$11.79	\$14.35	\$16.32	\$11.49	\$15.01	\$16.70	\$11.99
Producer Data									
Number of Producers	953 *	1,210	1,252	827 *	766	751	115 *	115	117
Avg. Daily Production (lbs.)	19,139 *	16,810	15,584	11,560 *	19,473	12,674	66,833 *	64,702	65,711
Number of Handlers									
Pool Handlers	27	26	26	17	17	17	6	6	6
Producer-Handlers	9	9	11	6	6	7	1	1	1
Other Plants w/ Class I Use	5	5	5	10	10	10	1	1	3
Producer Milk Ratios									
Class I	33.40%	27.40%	30.23%	31.20%	18.30%	29.59%	34.89%	35.04%	36.72%
Class II	6.71%	6.60%	5.72%	16.37%	11.73%	11.40%	5.07%	5.69%	5.24%
Class III	27.48%	34.30%	34.89%	14.97%	46.23%	57.62%	40.37%	37.75%	44.01%
Class IV	32.41%	31.70%	29.16%	37.46%	23.74%	1.39%	19.67%	21.52%	14.03%

+ Not Applicable. * Preliminary.

MONTHLY SUPPLEMENTAL STATISTICS

	Sep 2001	Aug 2001	Sep 2000	Sep 2001	Aug 2001	Sep 2000	Sep 2001	Aug 2001	Sep 2000
Producer-Handler Data									
Production	21,670,946	24,491,165	23,555,561	2,455,851	2,721,542	2,449,857	R	R	R
Class I Use	18,785,851	19,518,649	19,490,619	1,623,425	1,920,477	1,733,672	R	R	R
% Class I Use	86.69%	79.70%	82.74%	66.10%	70.57%	70.77%	R	R	R
Class I Route Disposition In Area									
By Pool Plants	158,562,696	159,278,158	165,608,516	67,379,428	74,788,389	73,545,637	72,195,716	75,649,584	76,476,856
By Producer-Handlers	18,853,860	19,489,907	19,392,081	1,645,418	1,911,044	1,769,347	1/	1/	R
By Other Plants	1,686,499 *	1,583,029	732,253	1,761,436 *	1,817,953	1,194,382	27,444,965 *	32,813,879	15,437,104
Total	179,103,055	180,351,094	185,732,850	70,786,282	78,517,386	76,509,366	99,640,681	108,463,463	R

* Preliminary.

R = Restricted. Not included. 1/ Restricted. Included with other plants.

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY

(Product pounds based upon reports of handlers)

RECEIPTS, UTILIZATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MILK	PACIFIC NORTHWEST			WESTERN			ARIZONA-LAS VEGAS			
	Oct 2001	Sep 2001	Oct 2000	Oct 2001	Sep 2001	Oct 2000	Oct 2001	Sep 2001	Oct 2000	
TOTAL PRODUCER MILK	565,416,417	610,209,311	604,838,646	296,359,432	447,492,060	295,054,762	238,260,997	223,223,156	238,332,513	
RECEIPTS FROM OTHER SOURCES	5,423,768	7,098,764	10,414,715	7,931,473	6,306,972	3,974,869	3,032,985	1,420,590	2,573,003	
OPENING INVENTORY	25,327,344	21,524,103	21,788,846	13,001,989	10,248,081	10,665,705	11,110,938	12,740,667	10,634,466	
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR	596,167,529	638,832,178	637,042,207	317,292,894	464,047,113	309,695,336	252,404,920	237,384,413	251,539,982	
UTILIZATION OF RECEIPTS										
Whole milk	28,843,904	25,925,972	27,494,924	12,097,593	10,526,989	11,471,287	21,103,559	19,579,421	19,965,537	
Flavored milk & milk drinks	12,911,457	10,925,216	12,328,367	6,703,907	5,525,112	6,452,978	5,461,267	5,350,086	4,861,056	
2% milk	72,921,475	68,809,785	73,434,593	31,115,093	27,655,882	30,623,846	29,968,861	28,174,766	32,388,524	
1% milk	26,512,126	24,892,453	25,341,311	15,720,250	14,411,445	14,927,855	9,394,316	8,550,986	9,835,321	
Skim milk	28,348,392	26,527,642	28,077,587	9,756,132	8,760,294	8,878,654	10,961,283	10,204,116	11,620,921	
Buttermilk	1,124,086	1,481,628	1,550,096	603,695	499,706	583,393	481,467	336,341	523,703	
CLASS I ROUTE DISP. IN AREA . .	170,661,440	158,562,696	168,226,878	75,996,670	67,379,428	72,938,013	77,370,753	72,195,716	79,195,062	
Class I dispositions out of area . .	10,264,195	9,085,934	10,014,101	14,436,442	11,749,556	11,590,386	5,030,986	5,324,817	4,940,423	
Other Class I usage	21,600,724	17,233,619	20,603,653	10,174,127	12,102,069	10,296,017	6,917,897	7,013,705	9,269,055	
TOTAL CLASS I USE	202,526,359	184,882,249	198,844,632	100,607,239	91,231,053	94,824,416	89,319,636	84,534,238	93,404,540	
TOTAL CLASS II USE	42,349,928	44,764,181	40,099,619	53,434,072	57,052,393	36,828,201	13,465,606	13,151,435	13,105,661	
TOTAL CLASS III USE	155,999,850	209,285,315	211,531,490	44,515,660	206,864,063	170,101,226	96,186,104	84,274,917	105,076,063	
TOTAL CLASS IV USE	195,291,392	199,900,433	186,566,466	118,735,923	108,899,604	7,941,493	53,433,574	55,423,823	39,953,718	
TOTAL ACCOUNTED FOR	596,167,529	638,832,178	637,042,207	317,292,894	464,047,113	309,695,336	252,404,920	237,384,413	251,539,982	
CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS										
Producer milk:	Class I . .	188,846,278	167,236,658	182,823,243	92,438,391	81,888,730	87,322,942	83,126,284	78,195,319	87,488,283
	Class II . .	37,927,658	40,257,384	34,597,156	48,519,539	52,500,886	33,630,261	12,075,328	12,704,571	12,496,294
	Class III . .	155,371,742	209,285,315	211,067,092	44,374,262	206,861,869	170,005,882	96,185,073	84,274,917	104,900,634
	Class IV . .	183,270,739	193,429,954	176,351,155	111,027,240	106,240,575	4,095,677	46,874,312	48,048,349	33,447,302
Other receipts:	Class I . .	13,680,081	17,645,591	16,021,389	8,168,848	9,342,323	7,501,474	14,143,923	14,161,257	13,207,469
	Class II . .	4,422,270	4,506,797	5,502,463	4,914,533	4,551,507	3,197,940	1/	1/	1/
	Class III . .	628,108	0	464,398	141,398	2,194	95,344	1/	1/	1/
	Class IV . .	12,020,653	6,470,479	10,215,311	7,708,683	2,659,029	3,845,816	1/	1/	1/
Avg. daily producer receipts		18,239,239	20,340,310	19,510,924	9,559,982	14,916,402	9,517,896	7,685,839	7,440,772	7,688,146
Change From Previous Year . .		-6.52%	1.98%		0.44%	53.81%		-0.03%	-2.69%	
Avg. daily Class I use		6,533,108	6,162,742	6,414,343	3,245,395	3,041,035	3,058,852	2,881,279	2,817,808	3,013,050
Change From Previous Year . .		1.85%	-4.97%		6.10%	-2.31%		-4.37%	-2.63%	

1/ Restricted - Included with Class I.

HIGHLIGHTS THIS ISSUE:

- Market Summaries for October 2001
- October 2001 Class Prices and Commodity Prices
- Class I Prices for December 2001
- USDA Sets Hearing To Amend The Pacific Northwest Milk Marketing Order
- USDA Holds Hearing To Amend The Central Milk Marketing Order
- New Chief Of Order Formulation Named
- In-Area Disposition of Fluid Milk Products: January through September 2001

**In-Area Route Disposition 1/
Western Order (FO135)
January through September 2000 vs. 2001**

	2000	2001	Change
<u>Whole Milk Products</u> - million pounds -			
Whole	105.4	107.7	2.47%
Flavored	5.5	5.3	-3.12%
Total Whole Milk 2/	110.9	112.9	2.20%
<u>Low-fat Milk Products</u>			
2%	278.8	271.5	-2.25%
1%	135.4	138.3	2.53%
Skim	93.5	88.1	-5.45%
Flavored Low-fat	40.9	41.2	0.99%
Buttermilk & Other 3/	5.8	6.4	10.33%
Total Low-fat Milk 2/	554.4	545.5	-1.25%
Combined Total 2/	665.3	658.4	-0.68%

1/ Based on total in-area route disposition by handlers, handlers regulated by other Federal orders, partially regulated handlers, and producer-handlers. 2/ May not add due to rounding. 3/ Includes eggnog and small amounts of miscellaneous products.