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## Pacific Northwest and Arizona Marketing Areas

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### MARKET SUMMARIES FOR NOVEMBER

#### Pacific Northwest (FO 124)

Producers delivered a total of 643.7 million pounds of milk to the market during November. Daily deliveries averaged 21.5 million pounds, up 22.1 percent from October. An estimated 316 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Daily deliveries per producer averaged 67,905 pounds, down 3.0 percent from October.

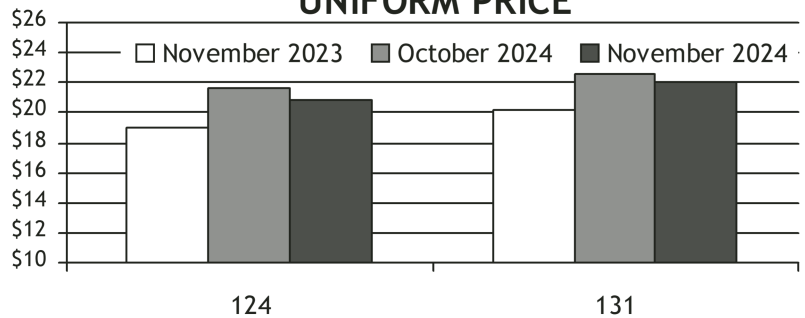
Class I producer milk during November totaled 123.6 million pounds, 19.2 percent of total producer receipts. Daily usage averaged 4.1 million pounds, down 6.0 percent from October. ▼

#### Arizona (FO 131)

Producers delivered a total of 319.3 million pounds of milk to the market during November. Daily deliveries averaged 10.6 million pounds, up 7.9 percent from October. An estimated 61 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Daily deliveries per producer averaged 174,495 pounds, up 7.9 percent from October.

Class I producer milk during November totaled 101.7 million pounds, 31.8 percent of total producer receipts. Daily usage averaged 3.4 million pounds, down 21.6 percent from October. ▼

### UNIFORM PRICE



## Pool Quick Stats

Producer Prices & Component Levels	FO 124		FO 131	
	Oct	Nov	Oct	Nov
Uniform Price (at 3.5%)	\$21.67	\$20.90	\$22.60	\$22.05
Uniform Price (at test)	\$25.93	\$25.69	\$24.31	\$24.40
PPD	(\$1.18)	\$0.95		
Butterfat	\$3.0851	\$3.0623		
Protein	\$3.3238	\$2.3160		n/a
Other Solids	\$0.3705	\$0.4049		
Uniform Skim			\$11.67	\$11.73
Uniform Butterfat		n/a	\$3.2400	\$3.0646
Butterfat	4.373%	4.609%	4.047%	4.298%
Protein	3.454%	3.579%		
Other Solids	5.782%	5.775%		n/a

### HIGHLIGHTS THIS ISSUE

- ✓ USDA Issues A Final Decision

# Federal Order Price Summaries

## FINAL CLASS PRICES

The November 2024 Final Class Prices were calculated using AMS commodity price surveys from November 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2024. Current and archived Final Class Price announcements are available at [www.fmmaseattle.com/classcomponent.html](http://www.fmmaseattle.com/classcomponent.html).

FINAL	Class I (FO124)	Class I (FO131)	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Butterfat	Protein	Other Solids	Nonfat Solids
Oct 2024	\$25.07	\$25.52	\$21.01	\$22.85	\$20.90	\$3.0851	\$3.3238	\$0.3705	\$1.1628
Nov 2024	\$24.43	\$24.88	\$21.52	\$19.95	\$21.12	\$3.0623	\$2.3160	\$0.4049	\$1.1974
Change	(\$0.64)	(\$0.64)	\$0.51	(\$2.90)	\$0.22	(\$0.0228)	(\$1.0078)	\$0.0344	\$0.0346

## ADVANCED CLASS I PRICE

The January 2025 Advanced Price was calculated using AMS commodity price surveys from December 7 and 14, 2024. Current and archived Advanced Price announcements are available at [www.fmmaseattle.com/advance.html](http://www.fmmaseattle.com/advance.html).

ADVANCED	Butterfat	Class III Skim	Class IV Skim	Base Skim	Base Class I	Class I (FO124)	Class I (FO131)	Class II Skim	Class II Non-fat Solids
Dec 2024	\$3.0941	\$9.70	\$10.77	\$10.98	\$21.43	\$23.33	\$23.78	\$11.47	\$1.2744
Jan 2025	\$2.9307	\$8.54	\$10.95	\$10.49	\$20.38	\$22.28	\$22.73	\$11.65	\$1.2944
Change	(\$0.1634)	(\$1.16)	\$0.18	(\$0.49)	(\$1.05)	(\$1.05)	(\$1.05)	\$0.18	\$0.0200

# Commodity Price Summaries

### AMS COMMODITY PRICES FOR FINAL CLASS PRICES CALCULATION

	Oct	Nov	Change
Cheese	\$2.2400	\$1.9198	(\$0.3202)
Butter	\$2.7191	\$2.7002	(\$0.0189)
Nonfat Dry Milk	\$1.3423	\$1.3773	\$0.0350
Whey	\$0.5588	\$0.5922	\$0.0334

### AMS COMMODITY PRICES FOR ADVANCED CLASS PRICES CALCULATION

	Dec	Jan	Change
Cheese	\$1.9449	\$1.7563	(\$0.1886)
Butter	\$2.7265	\$2.5916	(\$0.1349)
Nonfat Dry Milk	\$1.3771	\$1.3966	\$0.0195
Whey	\$0.5893	\$0.6207	\$0.0314

## CURRENT COMMODITY PRICES

The AMS survey of cheddar cheese prices showed a decrease in prices received for 40-pound blocks and a decrease for 500-pound barrels. The survey of 40-pound blocks showed a decrease of 15.92 cents between the November 16 and the December 14 surveys, to \$1.7389 per pound. The survey of 500-pound barrels (adjusted to 38% moisture) showed a decrease of 19.10 cents to \$1.7176 per pound.

The AMS butter price showed a net decrease of 11.22 cents between the weeks ending November 16 and December 14 from \$2.7100 per pound to \$2.5978 per pound. The AMS nonfat dry milk showed an increase of 1.54 cents since mid-November to \$1.3991 per pound. The average price for AMS whey showed a net increase of 2.71 cents since mid-November to \$0.6251 per pound. 🍌

# Monthly Selected Statistics

PRICE & POOL DATA	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	Nov 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2023	Oct 2023
<b>Producer Prices</b>								
Producer Price Differential (\$/cwt)	\$0.95	(\$1.18)	\$1.82	\$2.41	+	+	+	+
Butterfat (\$/pound)	3.0623	3.0851	3.4608	3.7144	+	+	+	+
Protein (\$/pound)	2.3160	3.3238	1.3238	1.0468	+	+	+	+
Other Solids (\$/pound)	0.4049	0.3705	0.1895	0.1243	+	+	+	+
Uniform Skim Price (\$/cwt)	+	+	+	+	\$11.73	\$11.67	\$8.28	\$8.20
Uniform Butterfat Price (\$/pound)	+	+	+	+	3.0646	3.2400	3.4943	3.6133
Statistical Uniform Price (\$/cwt)*	\$20.90	\$21.67	\$18.97	\$19.25	\$22.05	\$22.60	\$20.22	\$20.56
<b>Producer Data</b>								
Number of Producers	<b>316</b>	251	260	260	<b>61</b>	61	64	64
Avg. Daily Production (pounds)	<b>67,905</b>	70,020	74,682	75,659	<b>174,495</b>	161,688	220,797	216,611
<b>Producer Milk Ratios</b>								
Class I	19.20%	24.92%	23.20%	22.52%	31.84%	43.84%	24.93%	27.13%
Class II	4.10%	5.31%	4.43%	4.95%	13.88%	31.65%	19.96%	16.58%
Class III	46.32%	30.44%	51.39%	51.59%	33.12%	2.71%	26.57%	30.41%
Class IV	30.38%	39.33%	20.98%	20.94%	21.16%	21.80%	28.54%	25.88%
<b>Market Shrinkage</b>								
Pounds	10,654,835	11,265,143	11,067,987	12,343,034	5,484,334	5,315,583	2,601,804	4,841,478
% of Producer Milk	1.66%	2.07%	1.90%	2.02%	1.72%	1.74%	0.61%	1.13%

+ Not Applicable. Preliminary data indicated in *bold*.

# Monthly Supplemental Statistics

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	Oct 2024	Sep 2024	Oct 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2024	Sep 2024	Oct 2023	Sep 2023
<b>Number of Handlers</b>								
Pool Handlers	18	19	20	20	10	8	9	9
<i>Distributing Plants</i>	12	12	13	13	7	6	7	7
<i>Supply Plants 1/</i>	3	4	4	4	1	1	1	1
<i>Cooperatives</i>	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	1
Producer-Handlers	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	0
Other Plants w/ Class I Use	31	32	30	28	33	33	30	29
<b>Class I Route Disposition In Area</b>								
By Pool Plants	127,382,685	119,226,058	127,407,267	120,889,234	85,005,576	65,699,565	78,573,532	80,397,633
By Producer-Handlers	4,951,603	4,543,883	5,514,992	5,466,417	0	0	0	0
By Other Plants	<b>12,879,507</b>	12,648,632	10,532,241	10,343,587	<b>12,500,733</b>	13,649,211	10,079,335	9,953,668
Total	145,213,795	136,418,573	143,454,500	136,699,238	97,506,309	79,348,776	88,652,867	90,351,301
<b>Producer-Handler Data</b>								
% Class I Use	38.71%	38.85%	46.43%	48.69%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
% of Total In-Area Route Dispositions	3.41%	3.33%	3.84%	4.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Preliminary data indicated in *bold*. 1/ Includes Cooperative Pool Manufacturing Plants.

# Monthly Statistical Summary

RECEIPTS & UTILIZATION	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	Nov	Oct	Nov	Oct	Nov	Oct	Nov	Oct
	2024	2024	2023	2023	2024	2024	2023	2023
<b>Receipts of Milk</b>								
Total Producer Milk	643,740,463	544,822,755	582,521,007	609,815,072	319,325,792	305,752,533	423,930,221	429,756,077
Receipts From Other Sources	50,198,197	44,717,062	60,608,967	61,376,921	8,953,927	5,780,895	5,906,422	8,605,299
Opening Inventory	48,060,211	41,717,209	43,220,433	38,089,442	23,554,540	29,826,835	20,927,052	25,619,809
<b>Total To Be Accounted For</b>	<b>741,998,871</b>	<b>631,257,026</b>	<b>686,350,407</b>	<b>709,281,435</b>	<b>351,834,259</b>	<b>341,360,263</b>	<b>450,763,695</b>	<b>463,981,185</b>
<b>Utilization of Receipts</b>								
Whole milk	48,177,659	49,270,102	46,677,418	47,283,796	28,002,563	32,481,495	27,673,611	29,875,208
Flavored milk & drinks	12,293,424	13,481,306	11,812,325	13,017,030	6,791,308	9,112,945	6,165,585	8,894,212
2% milk	41,072,432	41,458,838	43,122,004	43,365,298	24,956,810	29,051,533	24,829,543	26,798,829
1% milk	14,508,400	16,059,203	15,924,146	16,132,594	7,090,992	7,422,973	7,416,139	7,600,172
Skim milk	5,143,191	5,447,737	5,501,052	5,873,204	2,898,452	6,386,838	3,408,148	4,871,926
Buttermilk	1,550,375	1,665,499	1,582,282	1,735,345	625,326	549,792	592,519	533,185
Class I dispositions in area	122,745,481	127,382,685	124,619,227	127,407,267	70,365,451	85,005,576	70,085,545	78,573,532
Class I dispositions out of area	9,564,297	10,561,173	14,552,458	14,285,260	26,554,157	42,653,207	25,895,381	36,826,503
Other Class I usage	26,575,014	31,046,542	29,398,443	28,575,100	19,256,254	19,829,056	23,263,654	16,112,636
<b>Utilization by Class</b>								
Total Class I Use	158,884,792	168,990,400	168,570,128	170,267,627	116,175,862	147,487,839	119,244,580	131,512,671
Total Class II Use	40,814,591	51,122,707	51,620,543	58,615,772	45,201,868	97,730,680	85,804,925	72,358,273
Total Class III Use	300,692,259	165,921,882	303,285,808	318,588,066	107,156,278	8,761,219	113,271,589	131,131,999
Total Class IV Use	241,607,229	245,222,037	162,873,928	161,809,970	83,300,251	87,380,525	132,442,601	128,978,242
<b>Total Accounted For</b>	<b>741,998,871</b>	<b>631,257,026</b>	<b>686,350,407</b>	<b>709,281,435</b>	<b>351,834,259</b>	<b>341,360,263</b>	<b>450,763,695</b>	<b>463,981,185</b>

CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	Nov	Oct	Nov	Oct	Nov	Oct	Nov	Oct
	2024	2024	2023	2023	2024	2024	2023	2023
<b>Producer milk</b>								
Class I	123,567,466	135,772,430	135,150,883	137,313,080	101,669,645	134,038,938	105,695,673	116,601,511
Class II	26,404,236	28,955,854	25,812,774	30,155,478	44,323,285	96,770,535	84,619,818	71,256,664
Class III	298,192,234	165,867,894	299,332,324	314,615,310	105,749,779	8,299,555	112,628,696	130,678,731
Class IV	195,576,527	214,226,577	122,225,026	127,731,204	67,583,083	66,643,505	120,986,034	111,219,171
<b>Other receipts</b>								
Class I	35,317,326	33,217,970	33,419,245	32,954,547	14,506,217	13,448,901	13,548,907	14,911,160
Class II	14,410,355	22,166,853	25,807,769	28,460,294	1/	1/	1/	1/
Class III	2,500,025	1/	3,953,484	3,972,756	1,406,499	1/	1/	1/
Class IV	46,030,702	31,049,448	40,648,902	34,078,766	16,595,751	22,158,829	13,284,567	19,313,948
<b>Avg. daily producer receipts</b>	<b>21,458,015</b>	<b>17,574,928</b>	<b>19,417,367</b>	<b>19,671,454</b>	<b>10,644,193</b>	<b>9,862,985</b>	<b>14,131,007</b>	<b>13,863,099</b>
Change From Previous Year	10.51%	-10.66%	-0.46%	-0.75%	-24.67%	-28.85%	1.59%	5.39%
<b>Avg. daily Class I use</b>	<b>5,296,160</b>	<b>5,451,303</b>	<b>5,619,004</b>	<b>5,492,504</b>	<b>3,872,529</b>	<b>4,757,672</b>	<b>3,974,819</b>	<b>4,242,344</b>
Change From Previous Year	-5.75%	-0.75%	3.53%	4.02%	-2.57%	12.15%	-11.05%	0.74%

1/ Restricted - Included with Class IV.

# USDA News

## USDA Issues A Final Decision

On November 12, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) issued a final decision on its [website](#) proposing to amend the uniform pricing formulas applicable in all 11 Federal milk marketing orders (FMMOs). This rulemaking proceeding was requested by the dairy industry to evaluate changes to the uniform pricing formulas applicable to all 11 FMMOs. The proposed changes are based on substantial input and must be approved by eligible producers in each marketing order via a producer referendum before they take effect.

Consistent with the recommended decision published in the Federal Register July 15, 2024, the final decision puts forth a package of amendments to update formulas and factors based on the evidentiary record of the proceeding. It also makes certain limited changes from the recommended decision based on public comments and reevaluation of record evidence, as follows:

- 1) Reduction in the delayed implementation of the revised skim milk composition factors from 12 months to 6 months;
- 2) Inclusion of a \$0.0015 marketing cost factor in all make allowances;
- 3) A modification to the methodology used to determine the nonfat dry milk make allowance; and
- 4) Limited changes to certain county-specific Class I differentials.

AMS is conducting producer referendums in each of the 11 FMMOs. Producers whose milk was pooled on an FMMO in January 2024 are eligible to participate in the referendum. They have the opportunity to vote in favor of or opposition to the FMMOs as proposed to be amended in the final decision.

AMS mailed ballots to eligible independent producers and qualified cooperative associations. Ballots are required to be postmarked by Dec. 31, 2024, and returned by Jan. 15, 2025, to be counted. The referendum process is administered and overseen by AMS. Information about the referendum process has been posted to the hearing website.

Additionally, AMS hosted three public webinars to further inform stakeholders of the proposed amendments and producer referendum process. A recording of the webinar can be accessed on the AMS hearing [website](#), as well as supplementary educational documents.

The final decision follows a 49-day national hearing held from Aug. 23, 2023, to Jan. 30, 2024, in Carmel, Indiana, where AMS heard testimony and received evidence on 21 proposals from the dairy industry. AMS issued a recommended decision on July 1, 2024, followed by its publication in the Federal Register on July 15, 2024, which began a 60-day public comment period. The public comment period ended Sept. 13, 2024, with 128 comments received and reviewed by AMS.

Copies of the final decision, information on the producer referendum process, and the entire hearing record can be found on the hearing [website](#) or obtained from USDA/AMS/Dairy Program; STOP 0225 - Rm. 2530; 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-0225. Procedural questions can be submitted to [fmmonohearing@usda.gov](mailto:fmmonohearing@usda.gov). 🐮

# Federal Order Statistics for November 2024

Federal Order Name (Number)	Producer Deliveries	Class I Receipts	Class I Utilization	Class I Price	Uniform Price
	<i>- million pounds -</i>			<i>- per cwt (at location) -</i>	
Northeast (FO 1)	2,178.6	668.1	30.7%	\$25.78	\$22.47
Appalachian (FO 5)	435.1	308.5	70.9%	\$25.93	\$24.72
Florida (FO 6)	212.6	175.5	82.5%	\$27.93	\$26.79
Southeast (FO 7)	278.0	220.0	79.1%	\$26.33	\$25.46
Upper Midwest (FO 30)	1,817.8	163.0	9.0%	\$24.33	\$20.33
Central (FO 32)	1,237.8	357.0	28.8%	\$24.53	\$21.03
Mideast (FO 33)	1,761.6	599.5	34.0%	\$24.53	\$21.55
California (FO 51)	1,742.7	393.7	22.6%	\$24.63	\$21.28
<b>Pacific Northwest (FO 124)</b>	<b>643.7</b>	<b>123.6</b>	<b>19.2%</b>	<b>\$24.43</b>	<b>\$20.90</b>
Southwest (FO 126)	1,126.6	322.4	28.6%	\$25.53	\$21.76
<b>Arizona (FO 131)</b>	<b>319.3</b>	<b>101.7</b>	<b>31.8%</b>	<b>\$24.88</b>	<b>\$22.05</b>

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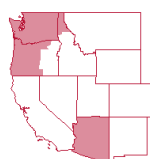
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