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### Pacific Northwest and Arizona Marketing Areas

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## MARKET SUMMARIES FOR SEPTEMBER

#### Pacific Northwest (FO 124)

Producers delivered a total of 480.3 million pounds of milk to the market during September. Daily deliveries averaged 16.0 million pounds, down 10.6 percent from August. An estimated 210 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Daily deliveries per producer averaged 76,237 pounds, down 7.6 percent from August.

Class I producer milk during September totaled 128.4 million pounds, 26.7 percent of total producer receipts. Daily usage averaged 4.3 million pounds, up 14.9 percent from August.

#### Arizona (FO 131)

Producers delivered a total of 290.8 million pounds of milk to the market during September. Daily deliveries averaged 9.7 million pounds, down 15.3 percent from August. An estimated 61 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Daily deliveries per producer averaged 158,909 pounds, down 15.3 percent from August.

Class I producer milk during September totaled 104.8 million pounds, 36.0 percent of total producer receipts. Daily usage averaged 3.5 million pounds, up 4.3 percent from August.



### **Pool Quick Stats**

Producer Prices &	FO	124	FO	131
Component Levels	Aug	Sep	Aug	Sep
Uniform Price (at 3.5%)	\$18.71	\$17.72	\$19.14	\$18.28
Uniform Price (at test)	\$21.65	\$20.57	\$20.52	\$19.26
PPD	\$1.47	\$0.13		
Butterfat	\$2.7255	\$2.1925	,	/2
Protein	\$1.9646	\$2.7062	117	/a
Other Solids	\$0.3204	\$0.3207		
Uniform Skim		/a	\$9.84	\$10.44
Uniform Butterfat	117	ď	\$2.7562	\$2.3431
Butterfat	4.318%	4.329%	4.019%	3.938%
Protein	3.343%	3.359%		/-
Other Solids	5.760%	5.776%	n,	/a

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### **Federal Order Price Summaries**

#### **FINAL CLASS PRICES**

The September 2025 Final Class Prices were calculated using AMS commodity price surveys from September 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2025. Current and archived Final Class Price announcements are available at <a href="https://www.fmmaseattle.com/classcomponent.html">www.fmmaseattle.com/classcomponent.html</a>.

FINAL	Class I (FO124)	Class I (FO131)	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Butterfat	Protein	Other Solids	Nonfat Solids
Aug 2025	\$21.63	\$21.53	\$19.18	\$17.24	\$18.50	\$2.7255	\$1.9646	\$0.3204	\$1.0323
Sep 2025	\$21.40	\$21.30	\$17.39	\$17.59	\$16.17	\$2.1925	\$2.7062	\$0.3207	\$0.9773
Change	(\$0.23)	(\$0.23)	(\$1.79)	\$0.35	(\$2.33)	(\$0.5330)	\$0.7416	\$0.0003	(\$0.0550)

#### ADVANCED CLASS I PRICE

The November 2025 Advanced Price was calculated using AMS commodity price surveys from October 11 and 18, 2025. Current and archived Advanced Price announcements are available at <a href="https://www.fmmaseattle.com/advance.html">www.fmmaseattle.com/advance.html</a>.

ADVANCED	Base Butterfat	Class III Skim	Class IV Skim	Base Skim	Base Class I	Class I (FO124)	Class I (FO131)	ESL Adj.	Class II Skim	Class II Non- fat Solids
Oct 2025	\$2.3881	\$10.03	\$9.26	\$10.03	\$18.04	\$20.74	\$20.64	\$0.97	\$9.96	\$1.1067
Nov 2025	\$1.8583	\$10.62	\$8.15	\$10.62	\$16.75	\$19.45	\$19.35	\$0.01	\$8.85	\$0.9833
Change	(\$0.5298)	\$0.59	(\$1.11)	\$0.59	(\$1.29)	(\$1.29)	(\$1.29)	(\$0.96)	(\$1.11)	(\$0.1234)

### **Commodity Price Summaries**

### AMS COMMODITY PRICES FOR FINAL CLASS PRICES CALCULATION

### AMS COMMODITY PRICES FOR ADVANCED CLASS PRICES CALCULATION

	Aug	Sep	Change		Oct	Nov	Change
Cheese 1/	\$1.7529	\$1.8066	\$0.0537	Cheese 1/	\$1.8470	\$1.7245	(\$0.1225)
Butter	\$2.4778	\$ 2.0377	(\$0.4401)	Butter	\$2.1992	\$1.7617	(\$0.4375)
Nonfat Dry Milk	\$1.2820	\$1.2265	(\$0.0555)	Nonfat Dry Milk	\$1.2791	\$1.1546	(\$0.1245)
Whey	\$0.5779	\$0.5782	\$0.0003	Whey	\$0.5766	\$0.5886	\$0.0120
1 / only blocks offecti	ve June 2025			1/ only blocks effective	ve lune 2025		

<sup>1/</sup> only blocks effective June 2025

#### **CURRENT COMMODITY PRICES**

The AMS survey of cheddar cheese prices showed a net decrease in prices received for 40-pound blocks of 11.20 cents between the September 13 and the October 18 surveys, to \$1.7308 per pound. The AMS butter price showed a net decrease of 43.54 cents between the weeks ending September 13 and October 18 from \$2.1400 per pound to \$1.7046 per pound. The AMS nonfat dry milk showed a net decrease of 12.86 cents since mid-September to \$1.1429 per pound. The average price for AMS whey showed a net increase of 0.98 cents since mid-September to \$0.5898 per pound.

<sup>1/</sup> only blocks effective June 2025

### **Monthly Selected Statistics**

PACIFIC NORTHWEST						ARIZONA			
PRICE & POOL DATA	Sep 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2024	Aug 2024	Sep 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2024	Aug 2024	
Producer Prices									
Producer Price Differential (\$/cwt)	\$0.13	\$1.47	(\$0.75)	\$0.71	+	+	+	+	
Butterfat (\$/pound)	2.1925	2.7255	3.6114	3.5632	+	+	+	+	
Protein (\$/pound)	2.7062	1.9646	2.9249	2.1756	+	+	+	+	
Other Solids (\$/pound)	0.3207	0.3204	0.3430	0.2959	+	+	+	+	
Uniform Skim Price (\$/cwt)	+	+	+	+	\$10.44	\$9.84	\$10.69	\$9.98	
Uniform Butterfat Price (\$/pound)	+	+	+	+	2.3431	2.7562	3.6076	3.5750	
Statistical Uniform Price (\$/cwt)*	\$17.72	\$18.71	\$22.59	\$21.37	\$18.28	\$19.14	\$22.94	\$22.14	
Producer Data									
Number of Producers	210	217	315	240	61	61	64	64	
Avg. Daily Production (pounds)	76,237	82,531	62,217	82,718	158,909	187,637	159,834	197,620	
Producer Milk Ratios									
Class I	26.73%	20.79%	21.96%	20.47%	36.03%	29.26%	32.75%	35.04%	
Class II	6.43%	6.08%	5.50%	5.07%	35.97%	21.46%	40.28%	21.89%	
Class III	29.08%	52.41%	36.16%	49.77%	10.59%	27.16%	2.21%	28.19%	
Class IV	37.76%	20.72%	36.38%	24.69%	17.41%	22.12%	24.76%	14.88%	
Market Shrinkage									
Pounds	11,795,302	12,179,901	10,373,317	11,020,434	4,746,584	5,492,846	4,567,760	5,721,897	
% of Producer Milk	2.46%	2.19%	1.76%	1.79%	1.63%	1.55%	1.49%	1.46%	

<sup>+</sup> Not Applicable. Preliminary data indicated in **bold** .

## Monthly Supplemental Statistics

	PAC	IFIC NO	RTHWE	ST	ARIZONA			
SUPPLEMENTAL DATA	Aug	Jul	Aug	Jul	Aug	Jul	Aug	Jul
JOIT ELMENTAL DATA	2025	2025	2024	2024	2025	2025	2024	2024
Number of Handlers								
Pool Handlers	20	20	19	19	8	8	9	8
Distributing Plants	13	13	12	12	6	6	7	6
Supply Plants 1/	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1
Cooperatives	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1
Producer-Handlers	3	3	4	4	0	0	0	0
Other Plants w/ Class I Use	31	29	30	30	33	33	31	32
Class I Route Disposition In Area								
By Pool Plants	110,368,760	109,702,822	114,501,026	109,217,606	66,444,364	63,104,491	86,946,037	63,997,383
By Producer-Handlers	4,242,393	3,897,240	4,787,353	4,708,189	0	0	0	0
By Other Plants	11,073,454	12,033,607	12,936,674	11,779,327	18,970,288	13,936,329	10,622,154	19,343,329
Total	125,684,607	125,633,669	132,225,053	125,705,122	85,414,652	77,040,820	97,568,191	83,340,712
Producer-Handler Data								
% Class I Use	45.88%	43.42%	41.06%	40.99%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
% of Total In-Area Route Dispositions	3.38%	3.10%	3.62%	3.75%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Preliminary data indicated in  $\emph{bold}$  . 1/ Includes Cooperative Pool Manufacturing Plants.

## Monthly Statistical Summary

	PA	CIFIC NO	ORTHWE	ST	ARIZONA				
RECEIPTS & UTILIZATION	Sep	Aug	Sep	Aug	Sep	Aug	Sep	Aug	
RECEIL 13 & OTICIZATION	2025	2025	2024	2024	2025	2025	2024	2024	
Receipts of Milk									
Total Producer Milk	480,290,941	555,188,437	587,954,026	615,420,906	290,802,684	354,821,814	306,881,634	392,078,374	
Receipts From Other Sources	54,059,017	104,738,065	39,586,626	37,650,174	22,587,287	16,070,531	8,910,792	9,666,084	
Opening Inventory	39,149,939	40,255,271	44,857,916	48,648,444	21,156,591	19,968,039	18,972,760	32,103,184	
Total To Be Accounted For	573,499,897	700,181,773	672,398,568	701,719,524	334,546,562	390,860,384	334,765,186	433,847,642	
Utilization of Receipts								_	
Whole milk	47,668,638	48,952,447	45,988,736	48,311,741	27,986,076	28,301,623	26,700,183	31,977,579	
Flavored milk & drinks	11,196,247	6,260,663	12,122,070	6,276,040	5,912,000	5,481,177	6,168,489	11,320,710	
2% milk	37,605,144	37,085,281	39,499,843	40,345,174	22,973,573	22,867,683	22,743,418	29,335,700	
1% milk	14,224,235	11,860,912	14,724,483	13,073,485	6,718,767	6,779,400	6,844,527	7,375,898	
Skim milk	4,911,480	4,702,467	5,212,990	4,908,755	2,508,348	2,524,395	2,739,367	6,414,481	
Buttermilk	1,364,768	1,506,990	1,677,936	1,585,831	519,712	490,086	503,581	521,669	
Class I dispostions in area	116,970,512	110,368,760	119,226,058	114,501,026	66,618,476	66,444,364	65,699,565	86,946,037	
Class I dispositions out of area	11,802,160	10,988,864	9,195,366	10,823,159	29,680,586	29,628,160	25,704,829	44,232,634	
Other Class I usage	25,186,072	24,493,331	30,528,316	31,035,168	19,470,713	19,674,902	20,929,928	19,364,271	
Utilization by Class									
Total Class I Use	153,958,744	145,850,955	158,949,740	156,359,353	115,769,775	115,747,426	112,334,322	150,542,942	
Total Class II Use	52,096,071	56,007,038	50,949,538	48,936,538	107,630,330	77,000,991	125,045,325	87,162,677	
Total Class III Use	140,236,448	329,610,918	212,718,889	309,221,145	34,347,174	99,381,210	7,993,589	111,748,028	
Total Class IV Use	227,208,634	168,712,862	249,780,401	187,202,488	76,799,283	98,730,757	89,391,950	84,393,995	
Total Accounted For	573,499,897	700,181,773	672,398,568	701,719,524	334,546,562	390,860,384	334,765,186	433,847,642	

	PA	CIFIC NO	ORTHWE	ST	ARIZONA				
CLASSIFICATION OF	Sep	Aug	Sep	Aug	Sep	Aug	Sep	Aug	
RECEIPTS	2025	2025	2024	2024	2025	2025	2024	2024	
Producer milk									
Class I	128,379,356	115,445,336	129,106,044	125,988,925	104,784,693	103,803,938	100,491,608	137,380,715	
Class II	30,886,460	33,728,029	32,328,716	31,215,145	104,594,241	76,130,645	123,606,937	85,831,425	
Class III	139,664,213	290,990,483	212,606,825	306,300,405	30,807,369	96,382,522	6,789,175	110,529,932	
Class IV	181,360,912	115,024,589	213,912,441	151,916,431	50,616,381	78,504,709	75,993,914	58,336,302	
Other receipts									
Class I	25,579,388	30,405,619	29,843,696	30,370,428	10,985,082	11,943,488	11,842,714	13,162,227	
Class II	21,209,611	22,279,009	18,620,822	17,721,393	3,036,089	1/	1,438,388	1/	
Class III	1/	38,620,435	1/	2,920,740	1/	2,998,688	1/	1,218,096	
Class IV	46,419,957	53,688,273	35,980,024	35,286,057	29,722,707	21,096,394	14,602,450	27,388,945	
Avg. daily producer receipts	16,009,698	17,909,304	19,598,468	19,852,287	9,693,423	11,445,865	10,229,388	12,647,689	
Change From Previous Year	-18.31%	-9.79%	0.54%	-1.27%	-5.24%	-9.50%	-23.64%	7.81%	
Avg. daily Class I use	5,131,958	4,704,870	5,298,325	5,043,850	3,858,993	3,733,788	3,744,477	4,856,224	
Change From Previous Year	-3.14%	-6.72%	-1.86%	-4.17%	3.06%	-23.11%	-16.38%	17.77%	

<sup>1/</sup> Restricted - Included with Class IV.

### **Market Administrator News**

#### **Federal Order Price Dynamics**

In Federal Milk Marketing Orders (FMMOs), minimum Uniform Prices (UPs) are established through a three-step process. First, dairy commodity market prices are collected from the National Dairy Product Sales Report (NDPSR). Next, handler prices are determined based on end use. Lastly, a minimum UP is established through pooling.

Figure 1 illustrates monthly average commodity prices for cheese, butter, nonfat dry milk (NFDM) and dry whey from January 2024 through September 2025. These prices collected from the NDPSR drive the component prices (see Figure 2) and are used to calculate Class prices and ultimately, the UP.

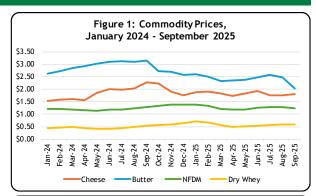
Producers under the Arizona Federal Milk Marketing Order (FO 131) are paid based on the quantity and price of skim milk and butterfat. Figure 3 shows FO 131 Uniform Prices at 3.5 percent and average pool tests from January 2024 through September 2025. The prices at test are consistently above the prices established at 3.5 percent butterfat, which are more representative of what producers are actually paid.

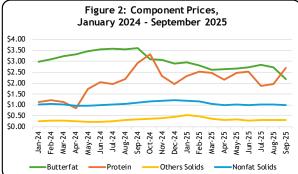
Producers under the Pacific Northwest Federal Milk Marketing Order (FO 124) are paid based on quantity and prices of butterfat, protein and other solids in their milk, as well as the Producer Price Differential (PPD). Figure 4 shows Statistical Uniform Prices (SUPs) at 3.5 percent butterfat test and at average pool tests for FO 124 during the same months. Similar to FO 131, the prices at test are consistently above the prices established at 3.5 percent butterfat, which better represents producer pay.

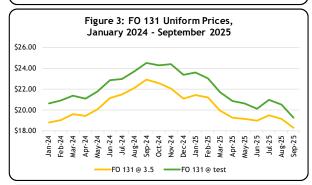
Butterfat and protein make up most of the value that producers in FO 124 receive for their milk. They have an inverse price relationship and are directly driven by butter and cheese prices reported in the NDPSR, respectively. Figure 5 demonstrates each component's contribution to the SUP in the mentioned months. While butterfat consistently contributes more to the SUP than protein, the contribution between the two was closest in September 2025, representing just a 40 cent difference.

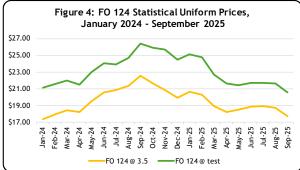
#### **Upcoming Changes**

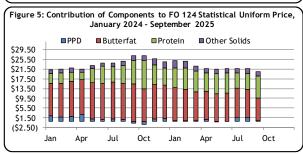
Effective June 2025, formula amendments were implemented following the final rule from the FMMO hearing process. To review these amendments, follow this link. Effective December 2025, the Class III and Class IV skim milk composition factors will be updated to 3.3 percent true protein, 6.0 percent other solids and 9.3 percent nonfat solids. The December 2025 Advanced Class and Component Prices are announced November 19, 2025. To learn more about these formulas and changes visit the Dairy Education Resource Center page.











### Federal Order Statistics for September 2025

Federal Order Name	Producer	Class I	Class I	Class I	Uniform
(Number)	Deliveries	Receipts	Utilization	Price	Price
	- million p	ounds -		- per cwt (a	t location) -
Northeast (FO 1)	2,265.1	668.5	29.5%	\$23.80	\$19.30
Appalachian (FO 5)	403.0	312.3	77.5%	\$24.30	\$22.29
Florida (FO 6)	208.6	168.8	80.9%	\$25.50	\$23.28
Southeast (FO 7)	263.4	210.1	79.8%	\$24.50	\$22.72
Upper Midwest (FO 30)	2,083.5	163.0	7.8%	\$21.90	\$17.94
Central (FO 32)	1,195.8	351.7	29.4%	\$21.90	\$18.23
Mideast (FO 33)	1,841.5	588.0	31.9%	\$22.50	\$18.51
California (FO 51)	1,670.7	395.0	23.6%	\$21.50	\$17.31
Pacific Northwest (FO 124)	480.3	128.4	26.7%	\$21.40	\$17.72
Southwest (FO 126)	825.9	335.9	40.7%	\$22.40	\$18.42
Arizona (FO 131)	290.8	104.8	36.0%	\$21.30	\$18.28

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