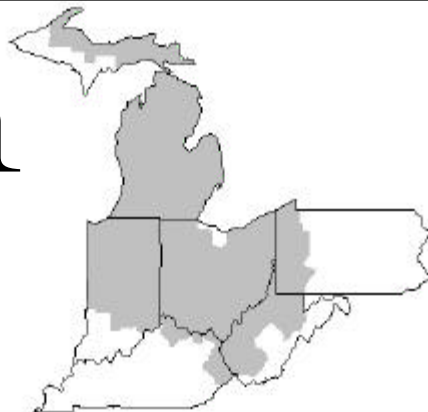


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Johanns Names Members to National Fluid Milk Board

Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns announced the appointment of four incumbents and five new members to the National Fluid Milk Processor Promotion Board.

Re-appointed to serve second terms are: Michael F. Nosewicz, Cincinnati, Ohio (Region 3); William R. McCabe, Orrville, Ohio (Region 6); Paul W. Bikowitz, City of Industry, Calif. (Region 15); and Susan D. Meadows, Dallas, Texas (At-Large Processor).

Newly Appointed are: Charles L. Gaither, Jr., Asheville, N.C. (Region 4); Edward R. Mullins, Carlinville, Ill. (Region 9); Patrick R. Beaman, Dallas, Texas (Region 12); Teresa E. Webb, Wallington, N.J. (At-Large Processor); and Lisa M. Hillenbrand, Geneva, Switzerland (At-Large Public).

Terms for these appointees begin July 1, 2006, and expire June 30, 2009, except for Charles L. Gaither, Jr., and Teresa E. Webb. These two appointees are filling vacant positions with less than 18 months remaining, and their terms expire June 30, 2007. Charles L. Gaither, Jr. and Teresa E. Webb will be seated at the April 2006 board meeting. All other appointees will be seated at the July 2006 board meeting.

The National Fluid Milk Processor Promotion Board is composed of 15 fluid milk processors from 15 geographic regions and five at-large members. At least three at-large members must be fluid milk processors and at least one must be from the general public. The Board was established by the Fluid Milk Promotion Act of 1990 to develop and administer a coordinated program of advertising and promotion to increase the demand for fluid milk products.

The National Fluid Milk Program is financed by a mandatory 20-cent per hundred weight assessment on all fluid milk processed and marketed commercially in consumer-type packages in the contiguous 48 states and the District of Columbia. Processors who commercially process and market 3,000,000 pounds or less per month, excluding those fluid milk products delivered to the residence of a consumer, are exempt from assessments.

February Milk Production Up 5.9 Percent

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 13.0 billion pounds, up 5.9 percent from February 2005. January revised production, at 14.0 billion pounds, was up 5.5 percent from January 2005.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,588 pounds for February, 66 pounds above February 2005.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.21 million head, 121,000 head more than February 2005, and 118,000 head more than January 2005.

The Mideast Marketing Area has four states represented in the 23 major states used above. They are Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Milk production in these Mideast states during February totaled 2.0 billion pounds, up 116 million pounds or 6.0 percent from February 2005.

Production per cow in the Mideast states averaged 1,560 pounds for February, 48 pounds above February 2005.

The number of cows on farms in the Mideast states was 1.3 million head, 14,000 head more than February 2005.

New Federal Milk Order Database

The Market Information Branch of Dairy Programs recently announced the release of the Federal milk order statistics public database. The database contains historical information, beginning in January 2000, generated by the administration of the Federal Milk Order Program. Most of the information in the database has been published previously by the Market Information Branch in Dairy Programs either on its web site or in the Dairy Market News Report.

New users are encouraged to use the "User Guide" link to learn how to navigate the search screens. The Database allows interested parties to view a description of the Federal milk order statistics available, current data in a ready made table form, and allows the user to make queries of the data in a formal conducive to the user.

The URL for the public database is www.ams.usda.gov/USDAMIB/Main/Welcome.aspx.

March 2006 - Pool Summary

Classification of Producer Milk

		Percent
Class I	585,895,230	37.9
Class II	240,417,222	15.6
Class III	623,019,807	40.4
Class IV	94,383,135	6.1
Total	1,543,715,394	100.0

Producer Prices

Producer Price Differential	\$ 1.25 / cwt
Butterfat Price	1.2596 / lb
Protein Price	1.8836 / lb
Other Solids Price	0.1874 / lb
Somatic Cell Adjustment Rate	0.00058 / cwt
Statistical Uniform Price	12.36 / cwt

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRODUCER PRICES**Federal Order No. 33****MARCH 2006****COMPUTATION OF PRODUCER PRICE DIFFERENTIAL**

	<u>POUNDS</u>	<u>BUTTERFAT</u>	<u>SKIM / PROTEIN</u>	<u>NONFAT SOLIDS</u>	<u>OTHER SOLIDS</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
Class I Skim Value			575,217,352			\$ 995 / cwt	\$ 57,234,126.57
Class I Butterfat		10,677,878				1.3968 / lb	14,914,860.03
Class I Location Differential	585,895,230						(266,895.14)
Class II SNF Value				20,523,585		0.8356 / lb	17,149,507.64
Class II Butterfat		15,381,040				1.2666 / lb	19,481,625.24
Class III Protein Value			19,074,024			1.8836 / lb	35,927,831.60
Class III Other Solids Value					35,872,803	0.1874 / lb	6,722,563.29
Class III Butterfat		21,314,811				1.2596 / lb	26,848,135.95
Class IV SNF Value				7,637,195		0.7224 / lb	5,517,109.65
Class IV Butterfat		10,495,902				1.2596 / lb	13,220,638.17
Somatic Cell Value II / III / IV							<u>531,321.39</u>
TOTAL PRODUCER MILK VALUE	1,543,715,394	57,869,631	47,085,333				\$ 197,280,824.39
O verages						\$ 23822.46	
Beginning Inventory and OS Charges						67,166.12	
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS							\$ 90988.58
TOTAL HANDLER OBLIGATIONS							\$ 197,371,812.97
Total Protein Value			47,085,333lbs	@	\$ 1.8836		\$ (88,689,933.24)
Total Other Solids Value			88,572,978lbs	@	0.1874		(16,598,576.07)
Butterfat Value			57,869,631lbs	@	1.2596		(72,892,587.21)
Total Somatic Cell Values							<u>(830,679.41)</u>
TOTALS							\$ 18,360,037.04
Net Producer Location Adjustments							\$ 1,024,885.95
1/2 Unobligated Balance Producer Settlement Fund							<u>668,000.00</u>
Total - Divided by Total Pounds			1,543,715,394 lbs		1.2990039		\$ 20,052,922.99
Rate of Cash Reserve					(0.0490039)		(756,480.75)
PRODUCER PRICE DIFFERENTIAL at Cuyahoga County, OH*					\$ 1.25 cwt		\$ 19,296,442.24

COMPONENT PRICES**COMPUTATION OF UNIFORM PRICE**

	March		March	
	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Butterfat Price	\$1.2596 / lb	\$1.7279 / lb	Class III Price - 3.5% BF	\$11.11
Protein Price	1.8836 / lb	2.5019 / lb	Producer Price Differential*	<u>1.25</u>
Other Solids Price	0.1874 / lb	0.0951 / lb	Statistical Uniform Price	\$12.36
Somatic Cell Adjustment Rate	0.00058 / cwt	0.00075 / cwt		\$14.95
Nonfat Solids Price	0.7224 / lb	0.7606 / lb		

CLASS PRICES**CLASSIFICATION OF PRODUCER MILK**

	March		March	
	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Class I*	\$14.49	\$17.43	Product lbs.	Product lbs.
Class II	11.69	13.25	Class I	585,895,230
Class III	11.11	14.08	Class II	547,305,540
Class IV	10.68	12.66	Class III	240,417,222
			Class IV	623,019,807
			Class IV	<u>94,383,135</u>
			Total	<u>1,543,715,394</u>
				1,663,596,638

* Subject to Location Adjustment.

ORDER 33 MARKET SUMMARY

The Producer Price Differential for the Midwest Marketing Area for March 2006 was \$1.25 and the Statistical Uniform Price was \$12.36 for the month. The Statistical Uniform Price is \$ 0.92 lower than last month, and is \$2.59 lower than March 2005.

The Producer Butterfat Price of \$1.2596 per pound decreased 8.73 cents from February 2006 and is down 46.83 cents from a year ago. The Protein Price of \$1.8836 is down 238.4 cents from last month and is down 61.83 cents from March 2005. The Other Solids Price in March was \$0.1874 per pound, a decrease from last month's price of \$0.1999 and an increase of 9.23 cents from last March. The Somatic Cell Adjustment rate for March was \$0.00058.

March producer receipts of 1.54 billion pounds were 11.1 percent higher than February 2006, and 7.2 percent lower than March 2005 production of 1.66 billion pounds. Producer milk allocated to Class I accounted for 37.9 percent of the total producer milk in March 2006, more than the 37.7 percent in February 2006 and more than the 32.9 percent in March 2005. A total of 8,713 producers were pooled on the Midwest Order compared to 9,719 producers pooled in March 2005.

The market average content of producer milk was as follows: Butterfat 3.75%; Protein 3.05%; Other Solids 5.74% and Nonfat Solids 8.79%.

2005 ANNUAL MILK PRODUCTION UP 3.5 PERCENT FROM 2004

The annual production of milk for the U.S. during 2005 was 177 billion pounds, 3.5 percent above 2004. Revisions to 2004 production increased the annual total by 129 million pounds. Revised 2005 production was up 0.3 percent or 498 million pounds from last month's publication.

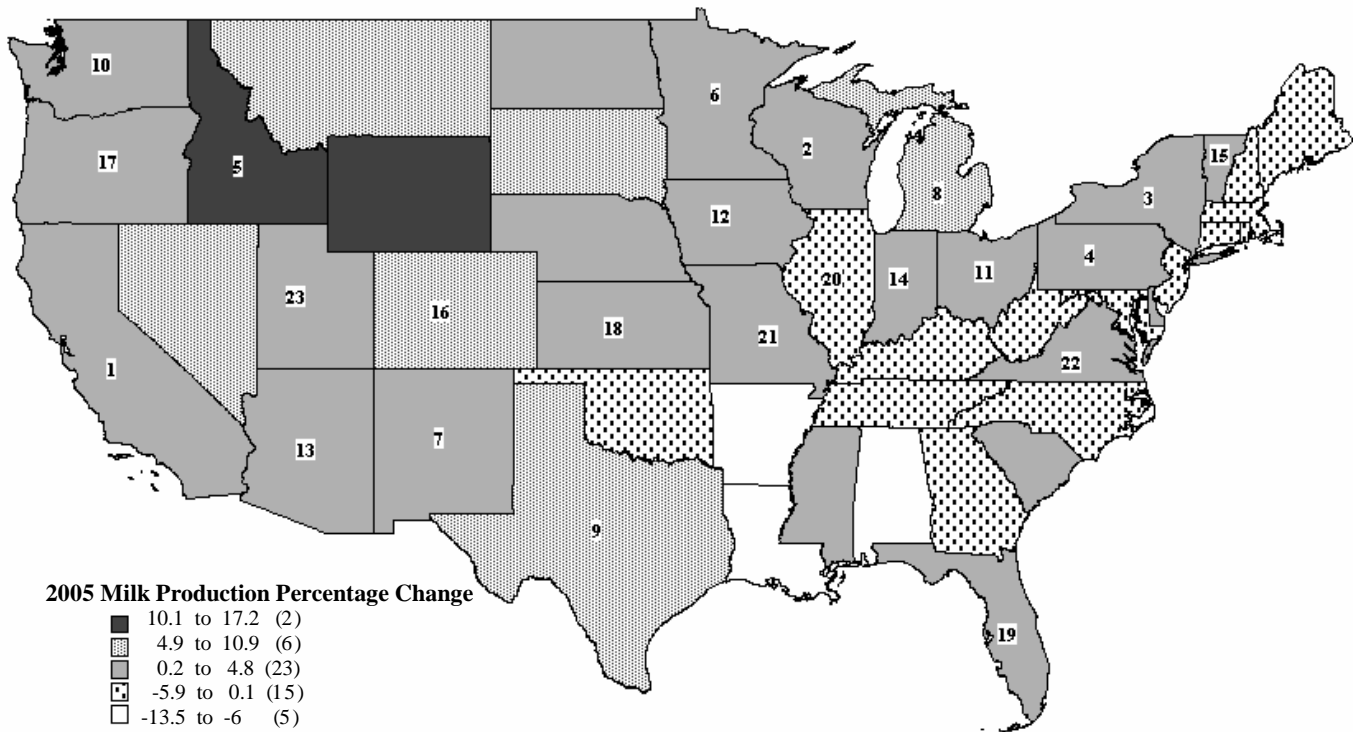
Production per cow in the U.S. averaged 19,576 pounds for 2005, 609 pounds above 2004. The average annual rate of milk production per cow has increased 19.1 percent from 1996.

The average number of milk cows on farms in the U.S. during 2005 was 9.04 million head, up 3.2 percent from 2004. The average number of milk cows was revised up 2,000 head for 2004, and up 7,000 head for 2005.

The Mideast Marketing Area has four states represented in the 20 major states used above. They are Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Milk production in these Mideast states during 2005 totaled 25.1 billion pounds, up 1.2 billion pounds or 4.9 percent from 2004.

Production per cow in the Mideast states averaged 19,560 pounds for 2005, 515 pounds above 2004.

2005 Milk Production Changes and Rankings



Weighted Averages - Butterfat, Protein, Other Solids, Somatic Cell Count by State											
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State	February 2006						February 2005				
	Num ber of Producers	Pounds of Milk (000)	Butterfat	Protein	Other Solids	SCC (000)	Pounds of Milk (000)	Butterfat	Protein	Other Solids	SCC (000)
Michigan	2,154	485,275	3.69	3.05	5.75	240	443,346	3.67	3.05	5.73	251
Ohio	2,384	321,921	3.80	3.07	5.71	264	312,616	3.76	3.09	5.70	274
Wisconsin	1,065	175,824	3.74	3.05	5.74	264	40,997	3.71	3.02	5.75	237
Indiana	1,124	137,608	3.81	3.07	5.74	278	146,416	3.75	3.06	5.73	251
New York	438	131,250	3.72	3.02	5.75	222	129,756	3.65	3.00	5.68	226
Pennsylvania	1,252	110,718	3.86	3.09	5.70	318	104,398	3.82	3.11	5.69	332
Illinois	17	8,613	3.59	3.15	5.75	215	2,638	3.71	2.99	5.74	257
West Virginia	64	4,975	3.90	3.19	5.71	363	4,614	3.84	3.18	5.70	377
Other	129	13,887	3.75	3.07	5.73	338	6,211	3.79	3.10	5.71	327
Total/Average *	8,627	1,390,069	3.75	3.06	5.73	258	1,190,992	3.72	3.06	5.71	262

* Totals may not add due to rounding. Data provided on a one month delay basis.



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**FEDERAL ORDER DATA
MARCH 2006**

<u>Marketing Area</u> ^{1/}	Producer Milk		Class I <u>Percent</u> %	Producer <u>Price Differential</u>	Statistical <u>Uniform Price</u>
	<u>Total</u> (000)	<u>Class I</u> (000)			
FO 1 Northeast - (Boston)	2,063,895	935,323	45.3	\$2.32	\$13.43
FO 5 Appalachian - (Charlotte)	576,087	369,135	64.1	^{2/}	14.13
FO 6 Florida - (Tampa)	299,525	241,924	80.8	^{2/}	15.41
FO 7 Southeast - (Atlanta)	762,640	412,672	54.1	^{2/}	13.77
FO 30 Upper Midwest - (Chicago)	2,271,385	396,595	17.5	0.56	11.67
FO 32 Central - (Kansas City)	1,381,214	387,114	28.0	0.89	12.00
FO 33 Mideast - (Cleveland)	1,543,715	585,895	37.9	1.25	12.36
FO 124 Pacific Northwest - (Seattle)	678,411	185,730	27.4	0.75	11.86
FO 126 Southwest - (Dallas)	1,002,035	365,215	36.5	1.84	12.95
FO 131 Arizona-Las Vegas - (Phoenix)	288,437	94,203	32.7	^{2/}	12.21

^{1/} Names in parentheses are principal points of markets.

^{2/} Producers in these markets are paid on the basis of a uniform skim and butterfat price.

^{3/} Data not available at time of publication, please see website version for information.

MINIMUM PARTIAL PAYMENT PRICE FOR APRIL 2006 \$10.68 /cwt.