



# The Market Administrator's Report

Facilitating the Efficient Marketing of Milk and Dairy Products

## Pacific Northwest and Arizona Marketing Areas

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### MARKET SUMMARIES FOR JANUARY

#### Pacific Northwest (FO 124)

Producers delivered a total of 604.0 million pounds of milk to the market during January. Daily deliveries averaged 19.5 million pounds, up 4.2 percent from December. An estimated 446 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Daily deliveries per producer averaged 43,685 pounds, up 4.2 percent from December.

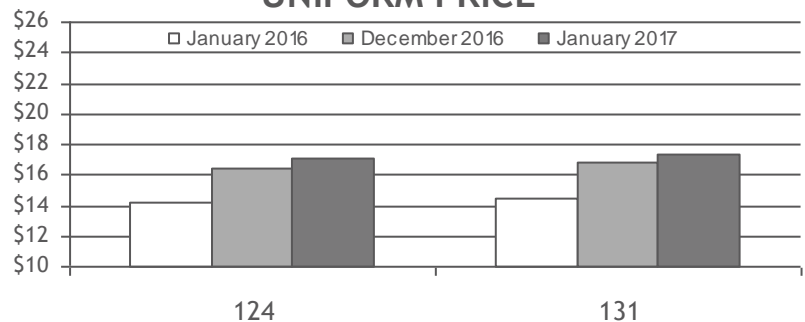
Class I producer milk during January totaled 168.4 million pounds, 27.9 percent of total producer receipts. Daily usage averaged 5.4 million pounds, up 0.3 percent from December. ▼

#### Arizona (FO 131)

Producers delivered a total of 460.3 million pounds of milk to the market during January. Daily deliveries averaged 14.8 million pounds, up 12.8 percent from December. An estimated 88 producers delivered milk to the market during the month. Daily deliveries per producer averaged 168,741 pounds, up 12.8 percent from December.

Class I producer milk during January totaled 114.4 million pounds, 24.9 percent of total producer receipts. Daily usage averaged 3.7 million pounds, up 3.3 percent from December. ▼

### UNIFORM PRICE



## Pool Quick Stats

Producer Prices & Component Levels	FO 124		FO 131	
	Dec	Jan	Dec	Jan
Uniform Price (at 3.5%)	\$16.37	\$17.03	\$16.80	\$17.36
Uniform Price (at test)	\$18.84	\$19.37	\$17.22	\$17.88
PPD	(\$1.03)	\$0.26		
Butterfat	\$2.3354	\$2.5253		
Protein	\$2.6922	\$2.1768		n/a
Other Solids	\$0.2063	\$0.2503		
Uniform Skim			\$9.05	\$8.90
Uniform Butterfat		n/a	\$2.3055	\$2.5048
Butterfat	4.147%	4.134%	3.688%	3.719%
Protein	3.343%	3.325%		
Other Solids	5.730%	5.732%		n/a

### HIGHLIGHTS THIS ISSUE

- ✓ Annual Statistics
- ✓ USDA Announces Recommended Decision
- ✓ Resumption of Assessments

# Federal Order Price Summaries

## FINAL CLASS PRICES

The January 2017 Final Class Prices were calculated using AMS commodity price surveys from January 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2017. 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
Dec 2016	\$18.78	\$19.23	\$15.26	\$17.40	\$14.97	\$2.3354	\$2.6922	\$0.2063	\$0.7822
Jan 2017	\$19.35	\$19.80	\$16.36	\$16.77	\$16.19	\$2.5253	\$2.1768	\$0.2503	\$0.8465
Change	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$1.10	(\$0.63)	\$1.22	\$0.1899	(\$0.5154)	\$0.0440	\$0.0643

## ADVANCED CLASS I PRICE

The March 2017 Advanced Price was calculated using AMS commodity price surveys from February 11 and 18, 2017. 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
Feb 2017	\$2.5192	\$8.20	\$7.59	\$8.20	\$16.73	\$18.63	\$19.08	\$8.29	\$0.9211
Mar 2017	\$2.4428	\$8.65	\$7.30	\$8.65	\$16.90	\$18.80	\$19.25	\$8.00	\$0.8889
Change	(\$0.0764)	\$0.45	(\$0.29)	\$0.45	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.17	(\$0.29)	(\$0.0322)

# Commodity Price Summaries

## AMS COMMODITY PRICES FOR FINAL CLASS PRICES CALCULATION

	December	January	Change
Cheese	\$1.7990	\$1.7011	(\$0.0979)
Butter	\$2.1000	\$2.2568	\$0.1568
Nonfat Dry Milk	\$0.9579	\$1.0229	\$0.0650
Whey	\$0.3994	\$0.4421	\$0.0427

## AMS COMMODITY PRICES FOR

	February	March	Change
Cheese	\$1.7027	\$1.6889	(\$0.0138)
Butter	\$2.2518	\$2.1887	(\$0.0631)
Nonfat Dry Milk	\$1.0198	\$0.9875	(\$0.0323)
Whey	\$0.4322	\$0.4876	\$0.0554

## CURRENT COMMODITY PRICES

The AMS survey of cheddar cheese prices showed a net increase in prices received for 40-pound blocks and a net increase for 500-pound barrels. The survey of 40-pound blocks showed a net increase of 0.89 cents between the January 14 and the February 18 surveys, to \$1.7134 per pound. The survey of 500-pound barrels (adjusted to 38% moisture) showed a net increase of 2.27 cents to \$1.6620 per pound.

The AMS butter price showed a net decrease of 6.90 cents between the weeks ending January 14 and February 18 from \$2.2330 per pound to \$2.1640 per pound. The AMS nonfat dry milk showed a net decrease of 4.22 cents since mid-January to \$0.9820 per pound. The average price for AMS whey showed an increase of 5.70 cents since mid-January to \$0.4940 per pound.

# Monthly Selected Statistics

PRICE & POOL DATA	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	Jan 2017	Dec 2016	Jan 2016	Dec 2015	Jan 2017	Dec 2016	Jan 2016	Dec 2015
<b>Producer Prices</b>								
Producer Price Differential (\$/cwt)	\$0.26	(\$1.03)	\$0.43	\$1.24	+	+	+	+
Butterfat (\$/pound)	2.5253	2.3354	2.3062	2.9057	+	+	+	+
Protein (\$/pound)	2.1768	2.6922	1.8169	1.3599	+	+	+	+
Other Solids (\$/pound)	0.2503	0.2063	0.0371	0.0355	+	+	+	+
Uniform Skim Price (\$/cwt)	+	+	+	+	\$8.90	\$9.05	\$6.29	\$6.16
Uniform Butterfat Price (\$/pound)	+	+	+	+	2.5048	2.3055	2.4098	2.9426
Statistical Uniform Price (\$/cwt)	\$17.03	\$16.37	\$14.15	\$15.68	\$17.36	\$16.80	\$14.50	\$16.24
<b>Producer Data</b>								
Number of Producers	<b>446</b>	446	559	570	<b>88</b>	88	95	95
Avg. Daily Production (pounds)	<b>43,685</b>	41,928	43,194	41,799	<b>168,741</b>	149,658	146,828	144,198
<b>Producer Milk Ratios</b>								
Class I	27.89%	28.97%	22.05%	23.46%	24.85%	27.13%	24.91%	27.23%
Class II	7.39%	6.71%	5.45%	5.82%	8.85%	9.28%	11.09%	10.54%
Class III	29.39%	27.23%	41.29%	42.62%	25.60%	22.41%	27.18%	27.77%
Class IV	35.33%	37.09%	31.21%	28.10%	40.70%	41.18%	36.82%	34.46%
<b>Market Shrinkage</b>								
Pounds	12,229,981	9,469,596	11,015,186	10,225,822	3,173,143	1,147,996	1,908,935	1,985,503
% of Producer Milk	2.02%	1.63%	1.47%	1.38%	0.69%	0.28%	0.44%	0.47%

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

# Monthly Supplemental Statistics

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	Dec 2016	Nov 2016	Dec 2015	Nov 2015	Dec 2016	Nov 2016	Dec 2015	Nov 2015
<b>Number of Handlers</b>								
Pool Handlers	23	22	24	24	8	8	8	7
<i>Distributing Plants</i>	12	11	12	12	6	6	6	5
<i>Supply Plants 1/</i>	4	4	6	6	1	1	1	1
<i>Cooperatives</i>	7	7	6	6	1	1	1	1
Producer-Handlers	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0
Other Plants w/ Class I Use	<b>20</b>	20	21	22	<b>23</b>	23	24	23
<b>Class I Route Disposition In Area</b>								
By Pool Plants	154,159,677	151,550,350	155,778,558	153,437,428	82,412,874	80,398,407	87,471,808	83,891,799
By Producer-Handlers	7,227,561	7,005,427	7,271,991	6,635,079	0	0	0	0
By Other Plants	<b>12,562,384</b>	11,848,761	12,450,255	11,424,857	<b>8,284,298</b>	9,414,382	8,074,900	7,719,614
Total	173,949,622	170,404,538	175,500,804	171,497,364	90,697,172	89,812,789	95,546,708	91,611,413
<b>Producer-Handler Data</b>								
% Class I Use	59.65%	60.97%	64.55%	61.65%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
% of Total In-Area Route Dispositions	4.15%	4.11%	4.14%	3.87%	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			
	Jan 2017	Dec 2016	Jan 2016	Dec 2015	Jan 2017	Dec 2016	Jan 2016	Dec 2015
<b>Receipts of Milk</b>								
Total Producer Milk	603,982,710	579,693,263	748,503,541	738,588,980	460,324,212	408,266,643	432,409,851	424,661,803
Receipts From Other Sources	10,188,424	17,476,261	8,846,331	7,400,266	2,962,214	2,560,036	2,403,249	2,841,713
Opening Inventory	37,382,122	36,301,777	39,209,936	39,672,690	25,956,545	25,238,040	23,560,168	17,690,438
<b>Total To Be Accounted For</b>	<b>651,553,256</b>	<b>633,471,301</b>	<b>796,559,808</b>	<b>785,661,936</b>	<b>489,242,971</b>	<b>436,064,719</b>	<b>458,373,268</b>	<b>445,193,954</b>
<b>Utilization of Receipts</b>								
Whole milk	42,003,522	41,999,966	39,357,910	38,588,294	26,594,761	26,777,009	26,064,883	27,134,610
Flavored milk & drinks	13,610,358	15,184,596	13,015,404	15,441,734	7,460,927	7,891,815	7,296,643	6,979,287
2% milk	56,831,151	57,954,694	57,865,013	59,223,753	28,795,469	29,468,139	30,525,468	31,742,202
1% milk	24,233,038	23,073,067	25,814,068	24,912,079	12,405,031	11,899,614	14,103,522	13,446,418
Skim milk	14,176,615	14,473,547	16,202,204	16,102,497	6,563,486	6,376,297	7,753,245	7,738,514
Buttermilk	1,427,192	1,473,807	1,338,934	1,510,201	2/	2/	2/	430,777
Class I dispositions in area	152,281,876	154,159,677	153,593,533	155,778,558	81,819,674	82,412,874	85,743,761	87,471,808
Class I dispositions out of area	11,004,099	12,099,034	10,895,705	13,853,774	30,514,789	30,125,437	24,560,024	25,178,529
Other Class I usage	21,590,390	18,216,941	19,892,603	21,912,996	14,681,884	12,810,313	11,449,105	13,800,209
<b>Utilization by Class</b>								
Total Class I Use	184,876,365	184,475,652	184,381,841	191,545,328	127,016,347	125,348,624	121,752,890	126,450,546
Total Class II Use	47,804,864	42,881,761	45,834,742	47,580,717	41,894,449	39,054,300	48,747,644	45,453,590
Total Class III Use	177,943,695	158,174,801	309,401,278	316,649,028	117,945,107	1/	117,509,553	119,413,829
Total Class IV Use	240,928,332	247,939,087	256,941,947	229,886,863	202,387,068	271,661,795	170,363,181	153,875,989
<b>Total Accounted For</b>	<b>651,553,256</b>	<b>633,471,301</b>	<b>796,559,808</b>	<b>785,661,936</b>	<b>489,242,971</b>	<b>436,064,719</b>	<b>458,373,268</b>	<b>445,193,954</b>

CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	Jan 2017	Dec 2016	Jan 2016	Dec 2015	Jan 2017	Dec 2016	Jan 2016	Dec 2015
<b>Producer milk</b>								
Class I	168,430,267	167,926,854	165,047,395	173,269,623	114,388,752	110,754,017	107,729,394	115,646,149
Class II	44,645,209	38,922,846	40,812,365	43,017,509	40,754,242	37,883,208	47,972,690	44,752,401
Class III	177,484,962	157,825,574	309,085,046	314,823,537	117,858,921	91,486,629	117,509,553	117,935,810
Class IV	213,422,272	215,017,989	233,558,735	207,478,311	187,322,297	168,142,789	159,198,214	146,327,443
<b>Other receipts</b>								
Class I	16,446,098	16,548,798	19,334,446	18,275,705	12,627,595	14,594,607	14,023,496	10,804,397
Class II	3,159,655	3,958,915	5,022,377	4,563,208	1/	1,171,092	1/	1/
Class III	1/	1/	1/	1,825,491	1/	1/	0	1/
Class IV	27,964,793	33,270,325	23,699,444	22,408,552	16,291,164	12,032,377	11,939,921	9,727,754
<b>Avg. daily producer receipts</b>	<b>19,483,313</b>	<b>18,699,783</b>	<b>24,145,276</b>	<b>23,825,451</b>	<b>14,849,168</b>	<b>13,169,892</b>	<b>13,948,705</b>	<b>13,698,768</b>
Change From Previous Year	-19.31%	-21.51%	29.04%	1.85%	6.46%	-3.86%	5.26%	3.88%
<b>Avg. daily Class I use</b>	<b>5,963,754</b>	<b>5,950,827</b>	<b>5,947,801</b>	<b>6,178,882</b>	<b>4,097,302</b>	<b>4,043,504</b>	<b>3,927,513</b>	<b>4,079,050</b>
Change From Previous Year	0.27%	-3.69%	-4.14%	-0.19%	4.32%	-0.87%	1.04%	3.56%

1/ Restricted - Included with Class IV. 2/ Restricted - Included with Flavored milk and drinks.

# Annual Selected Statistics

PRICE & POOL DATA	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	2014	2013
<b>Producer Prices</b>								
Producer Price Differential (\$/cwt)	(\$0.19)	(\$0.20)	\$0.31	\$0.85	+	+	+	+
Butterfat (\$/pound)	2.3084	2.2954	2.3792	1.6634	+	+	+	+
Protein (\$/pound)	2.0955	2.2393	3.7935	3.3010	+	+	+	+
Other Solids (\$/pound)	0.0910	0.1867	0.4684	0.4029	+	+	+	+
Uniform Skim Price (\$/cwt)	+	+	+	+	\$7.11	\$8.33	\$15.45	\$14.09
Uniform Butterfat Price (\$/pound)	+	+	+	+	2.3231	2.2869	2.3823	1.6686
Statistical Uniform Price (\$/cwt)	\$14.67	\$15.59	\$22.66	\$18.84	\$14.99	\$16.05	\$23.25	\$19.44
<b>Producer Data</b>								
Number of Producers	492	479	534	568	91	95	92	92
Avg. Daily Production (pounds)	43,777	38,011	40,488	39,742	149,495	138,083	142,956	137,444
<b>Producer Milk Ratios</b>								
Class I	24.66%	29.79%	25.61%	25.74%	26.02%	27.37%	26.81%	29.40%
Class II	6.85%	8.12%	7.02%	6.43%	11.33%	11.23%	10.17%	8.58%
Class III	34.24%	21.17%	35.48%	44.52%	26.75%	25.11%	26.30%	26.69%
Class IV	34.26%	40.92%	31.89%	23.32%	35.90%	36.30%	36.72%	35.33%
<b>Market Shrinkage</b>								
Pounds	116,967,406	118,661,362	113,409,916	114,475,853	21,708,174	18,218,307	18,314,902	20,327,892
% of Producer Milk	1.48%	1.79%	1.44%	1.39%	0.44%	0.38%	0.38%	0.44%

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

# Annual Supplemental Statistics

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	2014	2013
<b>Number of Handlers</b>								
Pool Handlers	23	22	23	24	8	7	7	7
<i>Distributing Plants</i>	12	12	13	14	6	5	5	5
<i>Supply Plants 1/</i>	5	5	6	6	1	1	1	1
<i>Cooperatives</i>	6	5	5	5	1	1	1	1
Producer-Handlers	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	0
Other Plants w/ Class I Use	20	21	19	17	24	24	22	21
<b>Class I Route Disposition In Area</b>								
By Pool Plants	1,773,913,576	1,780,823,090	1,813,300,866	1,916,216,939	964,071,793	994,237,169	1,009,140,932	1,049,260,593
By Producer-Handlers	81,419,071	83,660,273	83,754,259	86,445,331	0	0	0	0
By Other Plants	141,351,390	139,216,649	132,175,223	116,063,781	95,886,517	89,648,919	93,964,645	83,790,342
Total	1,996,684,037	2,003,700,012	2,029,230,348	2,118,726,051	1,059,958,310	1,083,886,088	1,103,105,577	1,133,050,935
<b>Producer-Handler Data</b>								
% Class I Use	58.57%	63.16%	63.92%	68.26%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
% of Total In-Area Route Dispositions	4.08%	4.18%	4.13%	4.08%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

1/ Includes Cooperative Pool Manufacturing Plants.

# Annual Statistical Summary

RECEIPTS & UTILIZATION	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	2014	2013
<b>Receipts of Milk</b>								
Total Producer Milk	7,882,929,743	6,645,733,354	7,891,609,288	8,239,346,735	4,979,072,172	4,788,031,826	4,800,450,090	4,615,376,352
Receipts From Other Sources	216,716,083	336,305,547	114,739,745	122,491,608	62,937,858	93,441,113	100,174,187	44,427,506
Opening Inventory	434,403,096	407,684,611	422,404,833	436,086,516	270,802,746	266,928,347	268,400,700	271,683,213
<b>Total To Be Accounted For</b>	<b>8,534,048,922</b>	<b>7,389,723,512</b>	<b>8,428,753,866</b>	<b>8,797,924,859</b>	<b>5,312,812,776</b>	<b>5,148,401,286</b>	<b>5,169,024,977</b>	<b>4,931,487,071</b>
<b>Utilization of Receipts</b>								
Whole milk	476,425,128	433,173,916	401,682,006	398,234,158	307,302,015	299,095,700	288,829,537	287,433,629
Flavored milk & drinks	154,727,337	150,673,969	145,075,511	147,167,476	82,962,315	69,910,114	66,298,812	64,712,675
2% milk	661,716,782	675,054,366	739,176,214	788,324,577	344,337,020	361,822,244	370,462,191	385,776,069
1% milk	284,879,264	301,321,672	283,357,003	299,214,869	149,581,606	164,867,586	171,932,932	182,413,665
Skim milk	177,741,864	202,482,336	226,683,602	266,194,834	79,888,837	93,701,967	106,659,747	124,119,926
Buttermilk	18,423,201	18,116,831	17,326,530	17,081,025	2/	4,839,558	4,957,713	4,804,629
Class I dispositions in area	1,773,913,576	1,780,823,090	1,813,300,866	1,916,216,939	964,071,793	994,237,169	1,009,140,932	1,049,260,593
Class I dispositions out of area	138,344,280	167,819,245	186,129,772	183,724,132	329,459,905	312,396,603	283,042,326	302,897,594
Other Class I usage	237,467,103	246,770,517	229,459,300	217,596,106	151,949,259	140,731,419	143,056,545	156,345,857
<b>Utilization by Class</b>								
Total Class I Use	2,149,724,959	2,195,412,852	2,228,889,938	2,317,537,177	1,445,480,957	1,447,365,191	1,435,239,803	1,508,504,044
Total Class II Use	599,826,730	608,555,451	613,123,257	615,624,142	580,948,429	547,732,108	501,290,259	406,564,605
Total Class III Use	2,706,038,849	1,423,225,779	2,829,429,747	3,689,991,749	1,165,120,448	1,210,622,068	1,270,150,645	1,243,205,607
Total Class IV Use	3,078,458,384	3,162,529,430	2,757,310,924	2,174,771,791	2,121,262,942	1,942,681,919	1,962,344,270	1,773,212,815
<b>Total Accounted For</b>	<b>8,534,048,922</b>	<b>7,389,723,512</b>	<b>8,428,753,866</b>	<b>8,797,924,859</b>	<b>5,312,812,776</b>	<b>5,148,401,286</b>	<b>5,169,024,977</b>	<b>4,931,487,071</b>

CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS	PACIFIC NORTHWEST				ARIZONA			
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2016	2015	2014	2013
<b>Producer milk</b>								
Class I	1,943,705,695	1,979,645,772	2,021,425,762	2,120,436,214	1,295,454,305	1,310,293,861	1,287,105,089	1,357,053,362
Class II	539,621,410	539,847,925	553,839,588	529,581,592	564,170,373	537,647,126	488,329,551	395,895,578
Class III	2,699,244,462	1,406,663,002	2,799,975,076	3,667,776,383	1,332,036,431	1,202,039,827	1,262,448,650	1,232,011,949
Class IV	2,700,358,176	2,719,576,655	2,516,368,862	1,921,552,546	1,787,411,063	1,738,051,012	1,762,566,800	1,630,415,463
<b>Other receipts</b>								
Class I	206,019,264	215,767,080	207,464,176	197,100,963	150,026,652	137,071,330	148,134,714	151,450,682
Class II	60,205,320	68,707,526	59,283,669	86,042,550	1/	1/	1/	1/
Class III	3,587,968	4,495,727	17,389,647	22,215,366	1/	1/	1/	1/
Class IV	381,306,627	455,019,825	253,007,086	253,219,245	183,713,952	223,298,130	220,440,173	164,660,037
<b>Avg. daily producer receipts</b>	<b>21,538,059</b>	<b>18,207,489</b>	<b>21,620,847</b>	<b>22,573,553</b>	<b>13,604,022</b>	<b>13,117,895</b>	<b>13,151,918</b>	<b>12,644,867</b>
Change From Previous Year	18.29%	-15.79%	-4.22%	22.97%	3.71%	-0.26%	4.01%	1.58%
<b>Avg. daily Class I use</b>	<b>5,873,565</b>	<b>6,014,830</b>	<b>6,106,548</b>	<b>6,349,417</b>	<b>3,949,402</b>	<b>3,965,384</b>	<b>3,932,164</b>	<b>4,132,888</b>
Change From Previous Year	-2.35%	-1.50%	-3.83%	-2.69%	-0.40%	0.84%	-4.86%	-2.60%

1/ Restricted - Included with Class IV. 2/ Restricted - Included with Flavored milk and drinks.

# USDA News

## USDA SEEKS COMMENTS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is seeking comments on a proposal for a new industry-funded research and promotion program. The proposed Organic Research, Promotion, and Information Order would cover certified organic products and would include a range of agricultural commodities, such as fruits, vegetables, dairy, meat, poultry, breads, grains, snack foods, condiments, beverages, and packaged and prepared foods. It would also include certain non-food items and organic imports.

A proposed rule with information about the proposed program was published in the January 18, 2017 *Federal Register*. A 60-day public comment period, ending on March 20, 2017, follows the publication of the proposed rule.

Comments should be mailed to USDA or posted on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Source: USDA. Agricultural Marketing Service. Release No. 006-17.

## USDA ANNOUNCES RECOMMENDED DECISION ON CALIFORNIA FEDERAL MILK MARKETING ORDER

On February 10, 2017, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced its recommended decision to establish a California Federal Milk Marketing Order (FMMO) that would be published in the *Federal Register* on February 14, 2017. A public inspection copy of the recommended decision was posted on the *Federal Register's* website.

The marketing area of the recommended FMMO would incorporate the entire state of California. The recommended decision is based on the evidentiary record compiled as part of a public hearing held in Clovis, California, from September 2015 to November 2015.

FMMOs are legal instruments that regulate the purchase of milk between dairy farmers and the first buyer. Where appropriate, the recommended California FMMO proposes adoption of uniform order provisions contained in the 10 current FMMOs. These uniform provisions include, but are not limited to, dairy product classification, end-product price formulas and the producer-handler definition. The proposed order would recognize the unique market structure of the California dairy industry through tailored performance-based standards to determine eligibility for pool participation. The proposed order provides for the recognition of producer quota as administered by the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA).

California represents over 20 percent of all U.S. milk production and is currently regulated by a state milk marketing order administered by CDFA. Comments on the recommended decision will be accepted for 90 days after official publication in the *Federal Register*. After analyzing and considering public comments, USDA will issue a final decision.

USDA held a public meeting on February 22, 2017, in Clovis, California, to answer questions relating to how the proposed California FMMO would operate and how the public can submit comments for USDA consideration. Interested parties had the opportunity to attend in person or watch the meeting live via a webcast.

Along with issuing this recommended decision, USDA published a Regulatory Economic Impact Analysis it conducted. The entire hearing record, including the Regulatory Economic Impact Analysis, and details of the public meeting are available at [www.ams.usda.gov/caorder](http://www.ams.usda.gov/caorder).

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## RESUMPTION OF ASSESSMENTS

On January 26, 2017, the market administrator issued a letter to all handlers advising them that the administrative assessment that was waived for the milk pooled during the month of December 2016 would resume beginning with the milk pooled for the month of January 2017.

# Federal Order Statistics for January 2017

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)	2,350.6	765.5	32.57%	\$20.70	\$18.21
Appalachian (FO 5)	483.4	352.4	72.88%	\$20.85	\$20.06
Florida (FO 6)	232.2	199.0	85.71%	\$22.85	\$22.22
Southeast (FO 7)	493.3	344.1	69.76%	\$21.25	\$20.27
Upper Midwest (FO 30)	2,542.6	290.8	11.44%	\$19.25	\$16.99
Central (FO 32)	1,269.8	431.4	33.97%	\$19.45	\$17.32
Mideast (FO 33)	1,742.1	559.0	32.09%	\$19.45	\$17.35
<b>Pacific Northwest (FO 124)</b>	<b>604.0</b>	<b>168.4</b>	<b>27.89%</b>	<b>\$19.35</b>	<b>\$17.03</b>
Southwest (FO 126)	1,338.7	372.7	27.84%	\$20.45	\$17.97
<b>Arizona (FO 131)</b>	<b>460.3</b>	<b>114.4</b>	<b>24.85%</b>	<b>\$19.80</b>	<b>\$17.36</b>

For links to Market Administrator's webpages, see [www.fmmaseattle.com/links.html](http://www.fmmaseattle.com/links.html).



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