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Butter production in March was estimated at 77.4 million pounds, the lowest output for this month since 1946. Output was 12 percent above the preceding month but 15 percent below March 1973.

American cheese output totaled 181 million pounds, the highest production for any month of record. Production was 18 percent above February and 27 percent above March 1973.

Miscellaneous types of cheese production in March amounted to 89.7 million pounds, an increase of 14 percent from February and 7 percent above a year ago.

Creamed cottage cheese output totaled 76 million pounds--down 19 percent from March last year.

Lowfat cottage cheese production amounted to 10.7 million pounds, 8 percent below March 1973.

Canned evaporated and condensed whole milk production in March was 92.4 million pounds, approximately the same as March 1973.

Frozen Desserts (March 1974 production compared with March 1973)

Ice cream--65.7 million gallons, down 2 percent.

Ice milk--23.4 million gallons, up 1 percent.

Sherbet--4.3 million gallons, down 1 percent.

Mellorine--3.1 million gallons, down 13 percent.

Dry milk products (March 1974 production compared with March 1973)

Nonfat dry milk for human food--75 million pounds, down 21 percent.

Dry whole milk--6.5 million pounds, down 5 percent.

Dry whey for human food--41.3 million pounds, up 11 percent.

Dry whey for animal feed--34.3 million pounds, up 6 percent.

Condensed whey--19.0 million pounds, down 28 percent.

Milk prices for manufacturing grade milk in March used primarily for production of:

Butter-powder--\$7.93, down 8 cents from February, but up \$2.45 from March 1973.

American cheese--\$8.32, down 2 cents from February, but up \$2.69 from a year ago.

Miscellaneous cheese--\$8.32, down 7 cents from February, but up \$2.63 from a year earlier.

Evaporated milk (canned)--\$7.63, down 3 cents from February, but up \$2.56 from a year earlier.

Production of dairy products, March 1974

Product	March 1972	March 1973	February 1974	March 1974	Percent of	
					March 1973	February 1974
				1,000 pounds		Percent
Butter	106,949	90,646	68,993	77,393	85	112
Cheese:						
American types 1/	142,264	142,668	153,552	180,973	127	118
Swiss	14,327	15,599	13,262	16,719	107	126
Brick and Munster	6,126	6,393	5,770	6,242	98	108
Cream and Neufchatel	11,648	10,923	8,096	11,361	104	104
Blue	2,439	2,548	2,445	2,421	95	99
Mozzarella	2/	29,607	30,366	31,659	107	104
Other Italian types	2/	15,217	15,316	18,006	118	118
Total Italian types	47,299	44,824	45,682	49,665	111	109
All other types 3/	3,128	3,564	3,363	3,277	92	97
Total	227,231	226,519	232,170	270,658	119	117
Cottage cheese, curd 4/	73,506	74,161	55,673	61,139	82	110
Cottage cheese, creamed 5/	95,884	94,678	68,882	76,492	81	111
Cottage cheese, lowfat 6/	9,718	11,659	10,173	10,706	92	105
Canned evaporated and condensed whole milk	108,492	92,377	77,726	92,426	100	119
Dry whole milk	6,793	6,910	6,103	6,537	95	107
Nonfat dry milk for human food	115,859	95,071	56,049	75,273	79	134
Dry skim milk for animal feed	797	1,250	267	345	28	129
Dry buttermilk	4,820	4,683	2,185	2,906	62	133
Dry whey for human food	31,827	37,102	36,138	41,338	111	114
Dry whey for animal feed	34,611	32,252	30,116	34,282	106	114
Condensed whey	15,716	26,552	18,353	19,024	72	104
				1,000 gallons		Percent
Ice cream	66,253	66,958	56,789	65,702	98	116
Ice milk	22,995	23,084	19,786	23,373	101	118
Sherbet	4,126	4,326	3,404	4,279	99	126
Mellorine-type frozen desserts 7/	3,924	3,599	2,831	3,129	87	111

- 1/ Whole milk cheese, including Cheddar, Colby, Washed curd, Stirred curd, Monterey and Jack.
- 2/ Not available.
- 3/ Includes limburger formerly published separately.
- 4/ Mostly used for processing into creamed or lowfat cottage cheese.
- 5/ Fat content 4 percent or more.
- 6/ Fat content less than 4 percent.
- 7/ Made with fats and oils other than milkfat.

Production of dairy products by months, 1972-74

Month	By months				Cumulative			
	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 pounds			Percent	1,000 pounds			Percent
<b>BUTTER</b>								
January	99,913	96,142	80,567	84	99,913	96,142	80,567	84
February	99,897	84,437	68,993	82	199,810	180,579	149,560	83
March	106,949	90,646	77,393	85	306,759	271,225	226,953	84
April	108,011	93,736			414,770	364,961		
May	117,853	100,256			532,623	465,217		
June	110,040	87,621			642,663	552,838		
July	87,703	69,138			730,366	621,976		
August	74,965	58,431			805,331	680,407		
September	66,354	51,324			871,685	731,731		
October	75,204	62,716			946,889	794,447		
November	73,453	60,442			1,020,342	854,889		
December	81,568	67,470			1,101,910	922,359		
<b>NONFAT DRY MILK FOR HUMAN FOOD</b>								
January	95,505	85,154	58,425	69	95,505	85,154	58,425	69
February	99,729	79,902	56,049	70	195,234	165,056	114,474	69
March	115,859	95,071	75,273	79	311,093	260,127	189,747	73
April	130,156	97,346			441,249	357,473		
May	151,330	121,514			592,579	478,987		
June	155,320	118,995			747,899	597,982		
July	121,162	87,105			869,061	685,087		
August	92,356	63,999			961,417	749,086		
September	69,113	51,056			1,030,530	800,142		
October	63,618	48,704			1,094,148	848,846		
November	57,219	45,112			1,151,367	893,958		
December	72,089	60,528			1,223,456	954,486		
<b>AMERICAN CHEESE</b>								
January	120,113	123,503	153,119	124	120,113	123,503	153,119	124
February	119,517	120,145	153,552	128	239,630	243,648	306,671	126
March	142,264	142,668	180,973	127	381,894	386,316	487,644	126
April	147,729	151,271			529,623	537,587		
May	168,562	171,738			698,185	709,325		
June	174,815	172,443			873,000	881,768		
July	157,601	154,708			1,030,601	1,036,476		
August	142,657	137,597			1,173,258	1,174,073		
September	124,177	110,282			1,297,435	1,284,355		
October	119,457	119,570			1,416,892	1,403,925		
November	107,894	120,935			1,524,786	1,524,860		
December	119,501	140,977			1,644,287	1,665,837		

Production of dairy products by months, 1972-74

Month	By months				Cumulative			
	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 gallons			Percent	1,000 gallons			Percent
<u>ICE CREAM</u>								
January	52,617	54,939	54,363	99	52,617	54,939	54,363	99
February	55,515	56,979	56,789	100	108,132	111,918	111,152	99
March	66,253	66,958	65,702	98	174,385	178,876	176,854	99
April	59,389	63,377			233,774	242,253		
May	69,336	67,876			303,110	310,129		
June	78,963	79,657			382,073	389,786		
July	74,834	78,756			456,907	468,542		
August	78,856	78,205			535,763	546,747		
September	69,821	68,372			605,584	615,119		
October	59,884	63,689			665,468	678,808		
November	53,465	55,879			718,933	734,687		
December	51,306	51,248			770,239	785,935		
<u>ICE MILK</u>								
January	15,925	17,101	17,828	104	15,925	17,101	17,828	104
February	17,269	17,588	19,786	112	33,194	34,689	37,614	108
March	22,995	23,084	23,373	101	56,189	57,773	60,987	106
April	23,894	23,588			80,083	81,361		
May	29,953	28,696			110,036	110,057		
June	33,406	33,759			143,442	143,816		
July	34,535	34,148			177,977	177,964		
August	33,893	33,760			211,870	211,724		
September	25,621	25,225			237,491	236,949		
October	20,822	23,049			258,313	259,998		
November	16,266	17,918			274,579	277,916		
December	14,447	15,329			289,026	293,245		
<u>SHERBET</u>								
January	3,084	3,480	3,567	103	3,084	3,480	3,567	103
February	3,128	3,527	3,404	97	6,212	7,007	6,971	99
March	4,126	4,326	4,279	99	10,338	11,333	11,250	99
April	4,020	4,514			14,358	15,847		
May	4,983	5,425			19,341	21,272		
June	5,821	6,486			25,162	27,758		
July	5,565	6,426			30,727	34,184		
August	5,551	5,635			36,378	39,819		
September	4,487	4,594			40,765	44,413		
October	3,413	3,864			44,178	48,277		
November	2,991	3,093			47,169	51,370		
December	2,893	3,121			50,062	54,491		

Production of dairy products, by months, 1972-74

Month	By months				Cumulative			
	1973	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1972	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 gallons		Percent		1,000 gallons		Percent	
<u>MELLORINE-TYPE</u>								
<u>FROZEN DESSERTS</u>								
January	3,037	2,867	2,782	97	3,037	2,867	2,782	97
February	3,194	2,883	2,831	98	6,231	5,750	5,613	98
March	3,924	3,599	3,129	87	10,155	9,349	8,742	94
April	3,811	3,280			13,966	12,629		
May	4,415	4,223			18,381	16,852		
June	4,951	4,464			23,332	21,316		
July	4,767	4,503			28,099	25,819		
August	4,938	4,097			33,037	29,916		
September	4,073	3,446			37,110	33,362		
October	3,343	3,211			40,453	36,573		
November	2,650	2,581			43,103	39,154		
December	2,344	2,114			45,447	41,268		
<u>CREAMED COTTAGE</u>								
<u>CHEESE</u>								
	1,000 pounds		Percent		1,000 pounds		Percent	
January	82,307	85,209	70,473	83	82,307	85,209	70,473	83
February	84,248	81,859	68,882	84	166,555	167,068	139,355	83
March	95,884	94,678	76,492	81	262,439	261,746	215,851	82
April	85,165	89,131			347,604	350,877		
May	92,397	91,827			440,001	442,704		
June	88,508	87,276			528,509	529,980		
July	83,981	82,924			612,496	612,904		
August	87,728	80,220			700,224	693,124		
September	82,292	72,860			782,516	765,984		
October	82,370	76,923			864,886	842,907		
November	77,110	70,062			941,996	912,969		
December	71,648	63,977			1,013,644	976,946		
<u>LOWFAT COTTAGE</u>								
<u>CHEESE</u>								
January	7,459	9,877	9,868	100	7,459	9,877	9,868	100
February	7,950	10,214	10,173	100	15,409	20,091	20,041	100
March	9,718	11,659	10,706	92	25,127	31,750	30,747	97
April	8,301	11,409			33,428	43,159		
May	8,872	11,467			42,300	54,626		
June	9,005	11,609			51,305	66,235		
July	8,449	10,276			59,754	76,511		
August	9,016	10,219			68,770	86,730		
September	8,571	9,125			77,341	95,855		
October	8,449	9,025			85,790	104,880		
November	8,422	8,575			94,212	113,455		
December	7,236	8,802			101,448	122,257		

Canned milk and dry milk products: Manufacturers' shipments, stocks and selling prices, March 1974

Product	March 1972	March 1973	February 1974	March 1974	Percent of	
					March 1973	February 1974
	1,000 pounds				Percent	
	<u>MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS 1/</u>					
Dry whole milk	5,924	6,318	4,096	4,454	70	109
Nonfat dry milk for human food	117,931	79,084	59,712	44,978	57	75
Dry skim milk for animal feed	633	330	512	301	91	59
Dry buttermilk for human food	3,779	3,116	1,762	1,898	61	108
Dry buttermilk, total	4,037	3,227	1,807	1,936	60	107
	<u>MANUFACTURERS' STOCKS, END OF MONTH 2/</u>					
Canned evaporated and condensed whole milk	61,176	35,622	57,501	62,157	174	108
Dry whole milk	4,297	3,386	7,506	8,242	243	110
Nonfat dry milk for human food	62,132	39,040	53,696	58,809	151	110
Dry skim milk for animal feed	857	836	1,442	1,635	196	113
Dry buttermilk, total	4,125	4,537	5,734	5,767	127	101
	<u>MANUFACTURERS' SELLING PRICES 3/</u>				Change - cents	
	Cents per pound					
Dry whole milk	46.92	52.54	69.68	70.83	+18.29	+ 1.15
Nonfat dry milk for human food	31.92	42.41	57.80	62.30	+19.89	+ 4.50
Dry skim milk for animal feed	23.94	31.73	35.97	38.65	+ 6.92	+ 2.68
Dry buttermilk for human food	30.26	41.67	51.02	52.94	+11.27	+ 1.92
Dry buttermilk for animal feed	20.64	33.13	31.00	34.25	+ 1.12	+ 3.25

1/ For dry products, shipments of bulk goods only.

2/ Stocks held by manufacturers at all points and in transit.

3/ Prices for bulk goods, f.o.b. plant. Average monthly prices reported by firms, weighted by shipments of each firm.

Dry milk: Manufacturers' reported shipments at specified  
prices ranges, f.o.b. plant, March 1974

Price per pound 2/ Cents	Nonfat dry milk, human food (bulk goods) Spray and Roller process	Dry skim milk for animal feed	Dry buttermilk		Dry whole milk (bulk goods)
			Human food	Animal feed	
		Pounds			
30 - 30 1/2	--	8,500	--	--	--
31 1/2 - 32	--	6,400	--	--	--
32 1/2 - 33	--	1,055	--	--	--
34 - 34 1/2	--	48,800	--	20,200	--
35 - 35 1/2	--	2,100	--	--	--
35 1/2 - 36	--	24,949	--	--	--
37 1/2 - 38	--	1,300	--	--	--
39 - 39 1/2	--	45,800	--	--	--
40 - 40 1/2	--	55,813	--	--	--
41 - 41 1/2	--	26,450	--	--	--
41 1/2 - 42	--	39,300	--	--	--
42 - 42 1/2	--	24,050	--	--	--
45 1/2 - 46	80,000	--	--	--	--
48 - 48 1/2	--	--	40,000	--	--
49 - 49 1/2	--	--	25,000	--	--
51 - 51 1/2	--	5,000	106,150	--	--
51 1/2 - 52	1,139,631	--	20,000	--	--
52 - 52 1/2	10,200	--	1,005,803	--	--
52 1/2 - 53	--	--	22,800	--	--
53 - 53 1/2	772,000	--	--	--	--
53 1/2 - 54	1,778,200	--	214,500	--	--
54 - 54 1/2	--	--	383,500	--	--
54 1/2 - 55	81,377	--	--	--	--
55 - 55 1/2	52,600	--	--	--	--
55 1/2 - 56	680,740	--	--	--	--
56 - 56 1/2	545,550	--	--	--	--
56 1/2 - 57	587,100	--	--	--	--
57 - 57 1/2	69,855	--	--	--	--
57 1/2 - 58	1,081,250	--	--	--	--
58 1/2 - 59	1,074,800	--	--	--	--
59 1/2 - 60	1,008,649	--	--	--	--
60 - 60 1/2	919,692	--	--	--	--
60 1/2 - 61	3,099,350	--	--	--	--
61 - 61 1/2	135,738	--	--	--	--
61 1/2 - 62	596,192	--	--	--	--
62 - 62 1/2	2,566,385	--	53,500	--	--
62 1/2 - 63	3,933,917	--	--	--	--
63 - 63 1/2	4,861,650	--	--	--	--
63 1/2 - 64	5,456,830	--	--	--	--
64 - 64 1/2	5,397,854	--	--	--	--
64 1/2 - 65	--	--	2,600	--	--
65 - 65 1/2	14,700	--	3,650	--	--
65 1/2 - 66	2,069,984	--	--	--	--
67 - 67 1/2	8,100	--	--	--	--
68 - 68 1/2	4,662,915	--	--	--	--
69 - 69 1/2	711,350	--	--	--	--
69 1/2 - 70	12,164	--	--	--	--
70 - 70 1/2	225,000	--	--	--	--
74 - 74 1/2	264,540	--	--	--	--
74 1/2 - 75	38,325	--	--	--	--
64 1/2 - 65 1/2	--	--	--	--	250,000
65 1/2 - 66 1/2	--	--	--	--	517,125
67 1/2 - 68 1/2	--	--	--	--	50,445
68 1/2 - 69 1/2	--	--	--	--	1,563,200
72 1/2 - 73 1/2	--	--	--	--	337,295
74 1/2 - 75 1/2	--	--	--	--	1,697,134
77 - 77 1/2	--	--	--	--	38,500

1/ Excludes shipments for which prices were not reported. For total reported see page 7.

2/ Classified according to average monthly prices reported by firms.



Canned evaporated whole milk: Manufacturers' range of selling prices  
by regions, March 1974 1/

Region	March 1972	March 1973	February 1974	March 1974
Dollars per case of 48 14-1/2 oz. cans				
North Atlantic	7.52 - 9.10	8.30 - 10.10	10.64 - 11.52	10.62 - 11.60
South Atlantic	8.20 - 9.10	8.70 - 10.10	11.40 - 11.43	11.40 - 11.60
North Central	7.70 - 9.10	8.65 - 10.10	11.30 - 11.68	11.30 - 11.87
South Central	7.73 - 9.10	8.73 - 10.10	11.43 - 11.43	11.60 - 11.60
Western	7.80 - 9.10	8.48 - 10.10	10.73 - 12.07	10.73 - 12.35
United States	7.52 - 9.10	8.30 - 10.10	10.64 - 12.07	10.62 - 12.35

1/ Carlot sales, delivered at manufacturers' distributing points in each region.

USDA dairy support program activities, March 1974

Product	CCC purchases (delivery basis)				Uncommitted	
	March 1973	March 1974	April 1, 1972 through March 31, 1973	April 1, 1973 through March 31, 1974	March 1973	March 1974
1,000 pounds						
Butter	27,886	1,114	240,448	26,108	86,752	0
Cheese	0	335	20,126	4,871	1,680	1,109
Nonfat dry milk	2,410	2,271	270,032	41,550	0	0

Butter: Production by States, March 1974

State	March 1972	March 1973	February 1974	March 1974	Percent of	
					March 1973	February 1974
1,000 pounds					Percent	
California	9,000	9,775	9,400	9,500	97	101
Idaho	2,300	2,100	580	589	28	102
Illinois	1,650	1,600	1,260	1,255	78	100
Indiana	2,050	1,279	1,381	1,406	110	102
Iowa	8,150	6,500	2,280	3,000	46	132
Kansas	1,260	1,059	843	993	94	118
Kentucky	1,590	1,643	1,421	1,651	100	116
Michigan	3,060	2,025	1,638	1,481	73	90
Minnesota	26,900	20,800	17,900	23,020	111	129
Missouri	3,200	3,000	1,161	1,386	46	119
Nebraska	2,530	2,237	1,381	1,812	81	131
New York	4,960	2,200	1,710	2,083	95	122
North Dakota	1,820	1,100	710	770	70	108
Ohio	1,870	1,400	1,180	1,125	80	95
Oklahoma	2,380	1,995	1,640	1,560	78	95
Oregon	1,250	1,100	825	935	85	113
Pennsylvania	2,670	2,200	1,110	1,300	59	117
South Dakota	1,330	1,450	738	844	58	114
Tennessee	1,140	1,304	1,278	1,264	97	99
Utah	715	777	666	623	80	94
Vermont	1,185	324	305	249	77	82
Washington	2,130	2,492	2,032	1,936	78	95
Wisconsin	19,460	18,370	13,950	15,470	84	111
Other States	4,175	3,916	3,604	3,141	80	87
United States	106,775	90,646	68,993	77,393	85	112

American cheese: Production by States, March 1974

State	March 1972	March 1973	February 1974	March 1974	Percent of	
					March 1973	February 1974
1,000 pounds				Percent		
Idaho	3,450	3,700	4,780	5,570	151	117
Illinois	1,240	1,200	1,100	1,400	117	127
Indiana	1,650	1,253	1,451	1,694	135	117
Iowa	8,700	7,300	9,000	11,150	153	124
Kansas	3,570	2,950	3,200	3,800	129	119
Kentucky	4,530	3,871	3,348	4,714	122	141
Michigan	1,630	1,140	1,324	1,972	173	149
Minnesota	18,200	19,950	23,140	25,690	129	111
Missouri	6,600	5,000	8,000	8,525	171	107
Nebraska	2,300	2,350	2,250	2,500	106	111
New York	5,780	6,000	6,125	8,040	134	131
North Dakota	3,430	3,750	4,400	5,000	133	114
Ohio	1,475	1,500	1,705	1,835	122	108
Oregon	1,500	1,620	1,935	2,260	140	117
South Dakota	3,600	3,712	3,900	4,500	121	115
Tennessee	1,910	1,851	2,754	2,837	153	103
Utah	2,495	2,609	3,622	4,210	161	116
Vermont	1/	1,050	1,350	1,690	161	125
Wisconsin	68,800	66,350	63,750	73,800	111	116
Other States	6,855	5,412	6,418	9,786	181	152
United States	147,715	142,668	153,552	180,973	127	118

1/ Not available separately.

Manufacturing grade milk: Average price and fat test  
for milk used primarily for butter and American cheese  
by States, March 1974

Primary use and State	Price per 100 lb. of milk 1/			Milkfat test			Price per pound of milkfat		
	Mar. 1973	Feb. 1974	Mar. 1974	Mar. 1973	Feb. 1974	Mar. 1974	Mar. 1973	Feb. 1974	Mar. 1974
	Dollars			Percent			Dollars		
<u>MILK FOR BUTTER</u>									
<u>AND BY PRODUCTS</u>									
California	5.06	6.46	6.71	3.86	3.80	3.77	1.31	1.70	1.78
Idaho	5.60	8.00	7.60	3.95	3.90	3.80	1.42	2.05	2.00
Iowa	5.64	8.42	8.21	3.74	3.67	3.60	1.51	2.29	2.28
Minnesota	5.42	7.98	7.95	3.54	3.57	3.55	1.53	2.24	2.24
Nebraska	5.67	8.34	8.37	3.80	3.90	3.82	1.49	2.14	2.19
South Dakota	5.47	8.09	8.10	3.46	3.67	3.62	1.58	2.20	2.24
Wisconsin	5.65	8.39	8.42	3.69	3.70	3.68	1.53	2.27	2.29
United States	5.48	8.01	7.93	3.63	3.65	3.61	1.51	2.19	2.20
<u>MILK FOR AMERICAN</u>									
<u>CHEESE</u>									
Idaho	5.44	8.32	8.43	3.62	3.67	3.60	1.50	2.27	2.34
Indiana	5.13	7.45	7.35	3.79	3.81	3.73	1.35	1.96	1.96
Iowa	5.53	8.54	8.44	3.71	3.77	3.69	1.49	2.27	2.29
Kansas	5.44	8.25	8.15	3.67	3.68	3.54	1.48	2.24	2.30
Kentucky	4.94	8.07	7.96	3.69	3.82	3.65	1.34	2.11	2.18
Minnesota	5.52	8.18	8.13	3.54	3.64	3.59	1.56	2.25	2.27
Missouri	5.51	7.81	7.87	3.70	3.80	3.71	1.49	2.06	2.12
Nebraska	5.56	8.32	8.38	3.67	3.78	3.71	1.51	2.20	2.26
North Dakota	5.35	8.20	8.01	3.57	3.59	3.52	1.50	2.28	2.28
Ohio	5.53	7.40	7.64	3.82	3.80	3.77	1.45	1.95	2.03
South Dakota	5.53	7.99	8.16	3.61	3.64	3.63	1.53	2.20	2.25
Tennessee	4.90	7.93	7.83	3.85	3.95	3.69	1.27	2.01	2.12
Wisconsin	5.85	8.48	8.48	3.70	3.73	3.70	1.58	2.27	2.29
United States	5.63	8.34	8.32	3.67	3.72	3.67	1.53	2.24	2.27

1/ Average price to producers for milk of average fat test, f.o.b. plant or receiving station except California price which is f.o.b. ranch.