

# Dairy Products



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## October 1995 Highlights

**Butter** production was 94.4 million pounds in October, 7 percent below October 1994 but 15 percent above September 1995.

**American type cheese** production totaled 249 million pounds, 2 percent above October 1994 but 1 percent below September 1995.

**Total cheese** output (excluding cottage cheese) was 586 million pounds, up 2 percent from both October 1994 and September 1995.

**Creamed cottage cheese** production was 31.1 million pounds, 4 percent below October 1994 and 2 percent below September 1995.

**Lowfat cottage cheese** production was 26.4 million pounds, 5 percent above October 1994 but 2 percent below September 1995.

**Canned evaporated and condensed milk** production at 41.3 million pounds was 10 percent below October 1994 but 33 percent above September 1995.

**Frozen desserts:** (comparisons with October 1994)

Ice cream (hard) --- 63.2 million gallons, up 6 percent.

Ice cream (lowfat) --- 25.4 million gallons, down 1 percent

Sherbet (hard) --- 3.43 million gallons, up 3 percent.

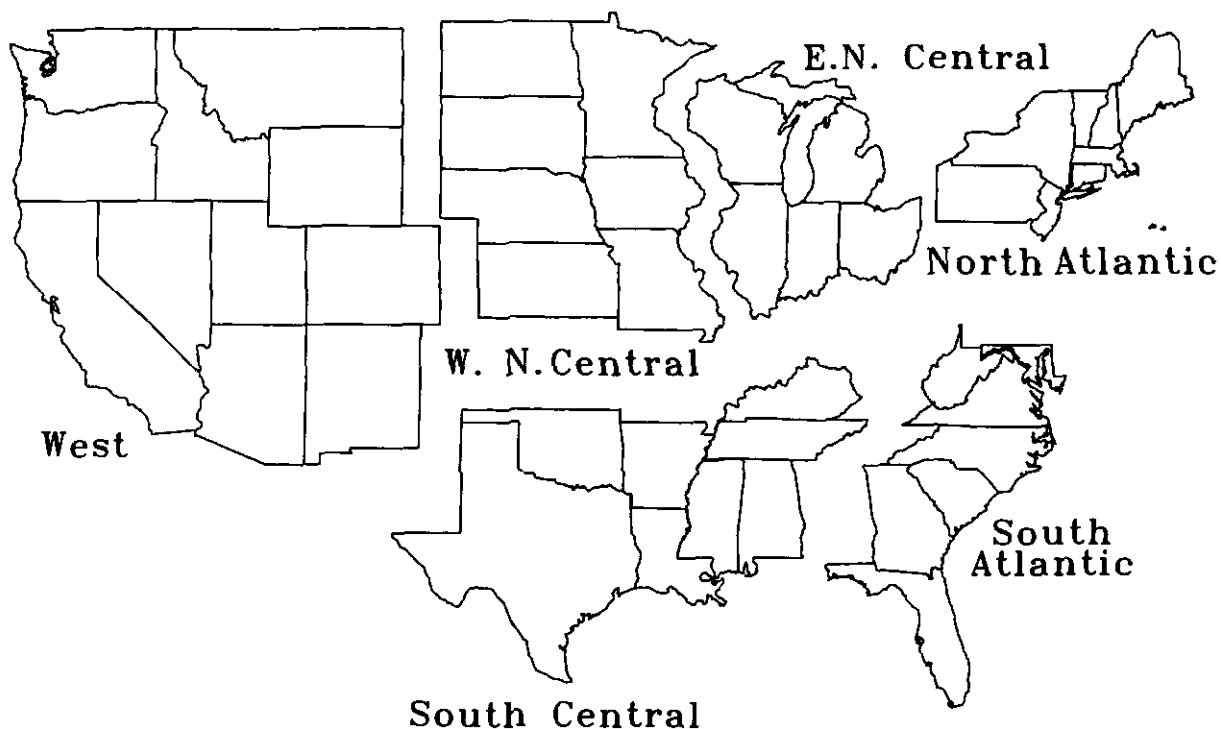
**Dry milk products:** (comparisons with October 1994)

Nonfat dry milk for human food --- 75.4 million pounds, down 12 percent.

Dry whole milk --- 12.8 million pounds, down 17 percent.

Dry buttermilk --- 2.98 million pounds, down 29 percent.

## U.S. Geographic Regions Manufactured Dairy



State totals are not published when fewer than 3 firms have reported or one firm comprises more than 60 percent of the State total. The map above outlines the regions used in the product tables. If we are not able to publish a region for confidentiality reasons, it will be combined with other regions when possible. For example, if North Atlantic can not be published, then it will be combined with South Atlantic to publish Atlantic. The West North Central and East North Central will be combined, if necessary, to form North Central. In the event that neither could be published, they will be combined with South Central to publish Central. Some tables will have only one or two regions shown, therefore the regions may not add to the United States total.

Dairy Products: Production by Product,  
United States, October 1994-95

Product	Oct	Sep	Oct	Percent of	
	1994	1995 1/	1995	Oct	Sep
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
Butter	101,784	82,233	94,418	93	115
Cheese					
American Types 2/	244,347	251,309	248,731	102	99
Swiss	19,288	17,138	18,371	95	107
Brick and Muenster	10,750	10,161	9,571	89	94
Cream and Neufchatel	60,706	58,259	60,098	99	103
Blue	2,874	3,684	3,240	113	88
Mozzarella	173,402	176,195	184,331	106	105
Other Italian Types	46,789	41,676	43,686	93	105
Total Italian Types	220,191	217,871	228,017	104	105
All Other Types	16,354	17,290	17,595	108	102
Total	574,510	575,712	585,623	102	102
Cottage Cheese, Curd 3/	37,873	38,133	38,173	101	100
Cottage Cheese, Creamed 4/	32,374	31,564	31,081	96	98
Cottage Cheese, Lowfat 5/	25,096	26,991	26,368	105	98
Canned Evaporated and					
Condensed Whole Milk	45,956	31,018	41,315	90	133
Dry Whole Milk	15,362	12,560	12,780	83	102
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human	86,159	76,929	75,408	88	98
Dry Skim Milk, Animal	752	466	467	62	100
Dry Buttermilk	4,174	2,442	2,980	71	122
Yogurt, Plain & Flavored	110,668	118,501	104,957	95	89
	1,000 Gallons			Percent	
Frozen Products					
Ice Cream, Hard	59,570	65,927	63,246	106	96
Ice Cream, Lowfat, Hard	8,548	9,798	9,263	108	95
Ice Cream, Lowfat, Soft	17,165	17,894	16,126	94	90
Ice Cream, Lowfat, Total	25,713	27,692	25,389	99	92
Sherbet, Hard	3,339	4,176	3,427	103	82
Water and Juice Ices	3,787	4,662	3,383	89	73
Frozen Yogurt, Total	10,396	13,253	11,782	113	89
Regular & Lowfat, Hard	2,553	6,089	5,377	211	88
Nonfat, Hard		2,596	2,018		78
Other Frozen Dairy					
Products	4,303	1,253	941	22	75
Mixed for Frozen Products					
Ice Cream Mix	33,564	35,178	33,148	99	94
Ice Cream, Lowfat, Mix	15,091	17,086	15,626	104	91
Ice Cream, Nonfat, Mix		1,937	1,926		99
Sherbet Mix	2,492	2,619	2,647	106	101
Yogurt Mix	6,580	8,388	7,457	113	89

1/ Revised.

2/ Whole milk cheese, including cheddar, colby, washed curd, stirred curd, monterey, and jack.

3/ Mostly used for processing into creamed or lowfat cottage cheese.

4/ Fat content 4 percent or more.

5/ Fat content less than 4 percent.

Whey and Modified Whey Products: Production, Stocks,  
and Prices, United States, October, 1994-95

Product	: Oct : 1994	: Sep : 1995 1/	: Oct : 1995	: Percent of : Oct : Sep : 1994 : 1995	
	: Production				
	: ----- 1,000 Pounds -----			: Percent	
Condensed Whey, Solids Content 2/					
Sweet-Type, Human	: 5,003	: 6,702	: 5,544	111	83
Sweet-Type, Animal	: 2,228	: 2,266	: 2,336	105	103
Dry Whey Products					
Dry Whey, Human	: 79,744	: 77,038	: 79,272	99	103
Dry Whey, Animal	: 11,799	: 8,143	: 8,808	75	108
Reduced Lactose and Minerals					
Human Food	: 5,451	: 6,566	: 5,754	106	88
Animal Feed	: 2,915	: 1,810	: 1,920	66	106
Lactose, Human and Animal	: 18,938	: 26,218	: 25,145	133	96
Whey					
Solids in Wet Blends, Animal	: 7,247	: 4,955	: 5,680	78	115
Protein Concentrate, Human	: 12,594	: 13,833	: 14,439	115	104
Protein Concentrate, Animal	: 2,340	: 2,924	: 2,675	114	91
	: Manufacturers' Stocks End-of-Month 3/				
	: ----- 1,000 Pounds -----			: Percent	
Dry Whey Products					
Dry Whey, Human	: 33,965	: 26,963	: 26,920	79	100
Dry Whey, Animal	: 12,973	: 4,479	: 3,628	28	81
Reduced Lactose and Minerals					
Human and Animal 4/	: 9,674	: 14,122	: 12,640	131	90
Lactose, Human and Animal	: 18,569	: 23,394	: 21,323	115	91
Whey Protein Concentrate, Human	: 5,293	: 6,920	: 6,561	124	95
Whey Protein Concentrate, Animal	: 550	: 429	: 397	72	93
	: Manufacturers' Selling Price 5/				
	: ---- Cents per Pound ---			: Cents Change	
Dry Whey, Human	: 18.4	: 21.2	: 22.7	4.3	1.5
Dry Whey, Animal	: 18.1	: 20.6	: 23.2	5.1	2.6

1/ Revised.

2/ Final marketable product only. Does not include quantity used or shipped to another plant for further processing into dry whey or modified whey products.

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

4/ Reduced lactose and minerals stocks combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

5/ Prices for bulk goods, f.o.b. plant. Average monthly prices reported by firms.

Dairy Products: Production by Product and Month,  
United States, 1994-95 (continued)

Product and Month	By Month			Cumulative		
	1994	1995	1995 as % of 1994	1994	1995	1995 as % of 1994
	-- 1,000 Pounds --		Percent	--- 1,000 Pounds ---		Percent
Butter						
Jan	135,299	131,983	98	135,299	131,983	98
Feb	118,402	120,280	102	253,701	252,263	99
Mar	118,035	125,731	107	371,736	377,994	102
Apr	119,416	119,251	100	491,152	497,245	101
May	118,174	116,465	99	609,326	613,710	101
Jun	99,221	99,535	100	708,547	713,245	101
Jul	84,172	82,870	98	792,719	796,115	100
Aug	88,183	78,604	89	880,902	874,719	99
Sep	91,175	82,233	90	972,077	956,952	98
Oct	101,784	94,418	93	1,073,861	1,051,370	98
Nov	100,664			1,174,525		
Dec	121,417			1,295,942		
American Cheese						
Jan	247,254	262,007	106	247,254	262,007	106
Feb	219,714	240,172	109	466,968	502,179	108
Mar	249,701	263,182	105	716,669	765,361	107
Apr	255,205	258,897	101	971,874	1,024,258	105
May	266,085	273,338	103	1,237,959	1,297,596	105
Jun	258,799	264,439	102	1,496,758	1,562,035	104
Jul	252,277	259,428	103	1,749,035	1,821,463	104
Aug	242,634	246,458	102	1,991,669	2,067,921	104
Sep	244,104	251,309	103	2,235,773	2,319,230	104
Oct	244,347	248,731	102	2,480,120	2,567,961	104
Nov	239,964			2,720,084		
Dec	256,899			2,976,983		
Italian Cheese						
Jan	211,741	216,460	102	211,741	216,460	102
Feb	208,496	208,189	100	420,237	424,649	101
Mar	241,302	227,188	94	661,539	651,837	99
Apr	213,855	210,562	98	875,394	862,399	99
May	235,887	224,447	95	1,111,281	1,086,846	98
Jun	207,085	219,283	106	1,318,366	1,306,129	99
Jul	208,317	207,279	100	1,526,683	1,513,408	99
Aug	220,311	211,758	96	1,746,994	1,725,166	99
Sep	215,445	217,871	101	1,962,439	1,943,037	99
Oct	220,191	228,017	104	2,182,630	2,171,054	99
Nov	214,030			2,396,660		
Dec	224,866			2,621,526		

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Dairy Products: Production by Product and Month,  
United States, 1994-95 (continued)

Product and Month	By Month			Cumulative		
	1994	1995	1995 as % of 1994	1994	1995	1995 as % of 1994
	-- 1,000 Pounds --		Percent	--- 1,000 Pounds ---		Percent
Total Cheese						
Jan	538,254	565,566	105	538,254	565,566	105
Feb	505,832	528,350	104	1,044,086	1,093,916	105
Mar	591,771	593,877	100	1,635,857	1,687,793	103
Apr	554,299	563,941	102	2,190,156	2,251,734	103
May	590,354	597,518	101	2,780,510	2,849,252	102
Jun	558,738	587,570	105	3,339,248	3,436,822	103
Jul	550,730	560,867	102	3,889,978	3,997,689	103
Aug	562,464	559,114	99	4,452,442	4,556,803	102
Sep	565,480	575,712	102	5,017,922	5,132,515	102
Oct	574,510	585,623	102	5,592,432	5,718,138	102
Nov	559,322			6,151,754		
Dec	578,313			6,730,067		
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human						
Jan	91,366	106,680	117	91,366	106,680	117
Feb	84,542	98,333	116	175,908	205,013	117
Mar	102,368	110,370	108	278,276	315,383	113
Apr	126,146	116,463	92	404,422	431,846	107
May	134,151	129,951	97	538,573	561,797	104
Jun	118,568	122,349	103	657,141	684,146	104
Jul	99,486	102,056	103	756,627	786,202	104
Aug	86,835	83,602	96	843,462	869,804	103
Sep	80,917	76,929	95	924,379	946,733	102
Oct	86,159	75,408	88	1,010,538	1,022,141	101
Nov	88,776			1,099,314		
Dec	116,264			1,215,578		
Total Dry Whey 1/						
Jan	94,302	98,489	104	94,302	98,489	104
Feb	86,910	89,082	102	181,212	187,571	104
Mar	100,927	101,859	101	282,139	289,430	103
Apr	104,185	98,644	95	386,324	388,074	100
May	108,616	105,139	97	494,940	493,213	100
Jun	99,393	100,045	101	594,333	593,258	100
Jul	100,470	96,922	96	694,803	690,180	99
Aug	97,964	88,101	90	792,767	778,281	98
Sep	94,991	85,181	90	887,758	863,462	97
Oct	91,543	88,080	96	979,301	951,542	97
Nov	89,805			1,069,106		
Dec	94,783			1,163,889		

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Dairy Products: Production by Product and Month,  
United States, 1994-95 (continued)

Product and Month	By Month			Cumulative		
	1994	1995	1995 as % of 1994	1994	1995	1995 as % of 1994
	1,000 Pounds		Percent	1,000 Pounds		Percent
Cream Cottage Cheese						
Jan	33,046	30,429	92	33,046	30,429	92
Feb	32,849	29,741	91	65,895	60,170	91
Mar	37,979	36,277	96	103,874	96,447	93
Apr	34,416	30,028	87	138,290	126,475	91
May	35,414	32,528	92	173,704	159,003	92
Jun	35,922	32,712	91	209,626	191,715	91
Jul	35,473	32,085	90	245,099	223,800	91
Aug	37,242	34,657	93	282,341	258,457	92
Sep	33,945	31,564	93	316,286	290,021	92
Oct	32,374	31,081	96	348,660	321,102	92
Nov	30,782			379,442		
Dec	30,512			409,954		
Lowfat Cottage Cheese						
Jan	24,955	26,714	107	24,955	26,714	107
Feb	26,168	25,742	98	51,123	52,456	103
Mar	29,083	28,406	98	80,206	80,862	101
Apr	27,667	26,375	95	107,873	107,237	99
May	28,714	28,130	98	136,587	135,367	99
Jun	27,884	29,044	104	164,471	164,411	100
Jul	27,528	27,856	101	191,999	192,267	100
Aug	28,859	28,976	100	220,858	221,243	100
Sep	27,801	26,991	97	248,659	248,234	100
Oct	25,096	26,368	105	273,755	274,602	100
Nov	25,006			298,761		
Dec	22,316			321,077		
Ice Cream, Hard						
Jan	54,842	58,031	106	54,842	58,031	106
Feb	62,058	60,644	98	116,900	118,675	102
Mar	76,593	74,114	97	193,493	192,789	100
Apr	75,760	72,126	95	269,253	264,915	98
May	77,563	75,909	98	346,816	340,824	98
Jun	86,013	84,025	98	432,829	424,849	98
Jul	82,939	81,737	99	515,768	506,586	98
Aug	82,678	82,065	99	598,446	588,651	98
Sep	66,570	65,927	99	665,016	654,578	98
Oct	59,570	63,246	106	724,586	717,824	99
Nov	57,499			782,085		
Dec	53,653			835,738		

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Dairy Products: Production by Product and Month,  
United States, 1994-95 (continued)

Product and Month	By Month			Cumulative		
	1994	1995	1995 as % of 1994	1994	1995	1995 as % of 1994
	1,000 Gallons		Percent	1,000 Gallons		Percent
<b>Ice Cream, Lowfat</b>						
Jan	22,149	20,408	92	22,149	20,408	92
Feb	24,510	21,136	86	46,659	41,544	89
Mar	32,914	30,670	93	79,573	72,214	91
Apr	32,847	28,520	87	112,420	100,734	90
May	34,821	31,700	91	147,241	132,434	90
Jun	37,924	36,115	95	185,165	168,549	91
Jul	36,831	35,373	96	221,996	203,922	92
Aug	35,053	36,018	103	257,049	239,940	93
Sep	29,917	27,692	93	286,966	267,632	93
Oct	25,713	25,389	99	312,679	293,021	94
Nov	23,942			336,621		
Dec	23,274			359,895		
<b>Sherbet, Hard</b>						
Jan	3,277	3,135	96	3,277	3,135	96
Feb	3,395	3,684	109	6,672	6,819	102
Mar	4,500	4,334	96	11,172	11,153	100
Apr	4,457	4,537	102	15,629	15,690	100
May	4,952	5,123	103	20,581	20,813	101
Jun	5,117	5,404	106	25,698	26,217	102
Jul	5,057	5,296	105	30,755	31,513	102
Aug	5,118	5,474	107	35,873	36,987	103
Sep	3,623	4,176	115	39,496	41,163	104
Oct	3,339	3,427	103	42,835	44,590	104
Nov	3,291			46,126		
Dec	3,005			49,131		
<b>Frozen Yogurt</b>						
Jan	8,914	10,142	114	8,914	10,142	114
Feb	10,700	11,243	105	19,614	21,385	109
Mar	14,647	14,509	99	34,261	35,894	105
Apr	14,365	13,583	95	48,626	49,477	102
May	15,445	15,015	97	64,071	64,492	101
Jun	16,938	17,010	100	81,009	81,502	101
Jul	15,015	15,389	102	96,024	96,891	101
Aug	15,110	16,163	107	111,134	113,054	102
Sep	12,169	13,253	109	123,303	126,307	102
Oct	10,396	11,782	113	133,699	138,089	103
Nov	9,143			142,842		
Dec	7,954			150,796		

1/ Excludes all modified dry whey products.



American Cheese: Production by State and United States, October 1994-95

State	Oct	Sep	Oct	Percent of	
	1994	1995	1995	Oct	Sep
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
CA	29,129	28,221	26,541	91	94
ID	24,021	30,940	28,747	120	93
IL	39	22	23	59	105
IA	7,169	7,730	7,727	108	100
KS	3,368	1,065	1,236	37	116
MN	45,045	47,282	49,187	109	104
NY	6,481	6,205	6,025	93	97
ND	2,195	1,950	2,069	94	106
OR	3,951	4,110	4,432	112	108
SD	2,743	3,100	3,411	124	110
UT	3,682	2,835	2,700	73	95
VT	2,444	2,928	3,844	157	131
WA	2,057	2,722	3,240	158	119
WI	74,438	73,800	76,600	103	104
Oth Sts 1/	37,585	38,399	32,949	88	86
US	244,347	251,309	248,731	102	99
Atlantic	11,511	11,567	12,372	107	107
E N Central	78,623	76,952	80,059	102	104
W N Central	66,751	64,239	67,287	101	105
S Central	12,429	9,906	10,006	81	101
West	75,033	88,645	79,007	105	89

1/ States not shown when fewer than 3 plants reported or individual plant operations could be disclosed.

Mozzarella Cheese: Production by State and United States, October 1994-95

State	Oct	Sep	Oct	Percent of	
	1994	1995	1995	Oct	Sep
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
CA	38,848	38,924	40,541	104	104
IL	1,701	1,773	1,582	93	89
MI	6,907	6,257	7,840	114	125
NY	14,417	15,305	15,532	108	101
PA	15,287	16,460	16,580	108	101
VT	3,747	4,319	4,419	118	102
WI	55,368	57,500	55,000	99	96
Oth Sts 1/	37,127	35,657	42,837	115	120
US	173,402	176,195	184,331	106	105
Atlantic	35,105	37,805	38,466	110	102
E N Central	64,293	65,932	64,822	101	98
W N Central	24,274	20,225	23,060	95	114
West	48,675	52,233	57,983	119	111

1/ States not shown when fewer than 3 plants reported or individual plant operations could be disclosed.

Butter: Production by State and United States, October 1994-95

State	Oct	Sep	Oct	Percent of	
	1994	1995	1995	Oct	Sep
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
CA	28,468	24,902	26,241	92	105
KS	50	3	11	22	367
MI	1,755	1,637	1,768	101	108
MN	3,151	3,394	3,090	98	91
NY	1,591	1,693	1,992	125	118
ND	382	270	431	113	160
OH	4,149	2,120	4,186	101	197
OR	1,559	2,300	1,900	122	83
PA	7,295	4,360	6,640	91	152
WA	9,242	7,158	6,302	68	88
WI	22,829	18,900	23,300	102	123
Oth Sts 1/	21,313	15,496	18,557	87	120
US	101,784	82,233	94,418	93	115
N Atlantic	11,232	7,190	9,844	88	137
S Atlantic	2,692	1,013	1,402	52	138
E N Central	30,389	24,115	31,036	102	129
W N Central	9,621	10,114	11,128	116	110
S Central	6,613	4,264	5,452	82	128
West	41,237	35,537	35,556	86	100

1/ States not shown when fewer than 3 plants reported or individual plant operations could be disclosed.

Nonfat Dry Milk, Human: Production by State  
and United States, October 1994-95

State	Oct	Sep	Oct	Percent of	
	1994	1995	1995	Oct 1994	Sep 1995
----- 1,000 Pounds -----			--- Percent ---		
CA	33,630	35,449	35,138	104	99
MI	2,247	1,699	1,037	46	61
MN	2,238	637	650	29	102
NY	940	2,082	1,804	192	87
ND	14				
WA	16,420	18,800	15,500	94	82
WI	5,702	1,566	3,060	54	195
Oth Sts 1/	24,968	16,696	18,219	73	109
US	86,159	76,929	75,408	88	98
Atlantic	9,497	9,454	10,468	110	111
E N Central	7,975	3,265	4,097	51	125
W N Central	9,212	6,990	6,192	67	89
S Central	6,376	1,667	3,060	48	184
West	53,099	55,553	51,591	97	93

1/ States not shown when fewer than 3 plants reported or individual plant operations could be disclosed.

Ice Cream, Hard: Production by State and United States, October 1994-95

State	Oct	Sep	Oct	Percent of	
	1994	1995	1995	Oct 1994	Sep 1995
	----- 1,000 Gallons -----			--- Percent ---	
AL	971	1,502	1,284	132	85
AZ	476	487	447	94	92
AR	299	404	320	107	79
CA	7,526	9,853	8,808	117	89
CO	788	600	733	93	122
FL	1,923	1,800	1,900	99	106
GA	569	830	949	167	114
ID	605	605	585	97	97
IL	2,223	2,342	2,348	106	100
IN	3,241	3,876	3,357	104	87
KS	240	203	224	93	110
ME	79	116	70	89	60
MD	1,457	1,095	1,220	84	111
MA	2,526	3,143	4,149	164	132
MI	1,859	1,980	1,888	102	95
MN	1,297	2,943	3,153	243	107
MO	1,303	1,510	1,555	119	103
NY	2,106	2,400	2,300	109	96
NC	2,209	2,288	2,207	100	96
ND	65	76	74	114	97
OH	3,380	2,825	2,800	83	99
OR	660	900	820	124	91
PA	4,384	4,860	4,770	109	98
SC	745	740	703	94	95
TN	1,045	1,147	731	70	64
TX	3,070	3,875	3,967	129	102
UT	554	1,115	940	170	84
VA	1,445	1,031	226	16	22
WA	1,316	1,810	1,695	129	94
WI	676	635	590	87	93
Oth Sts 1/	10,533	8,936	8,433	80	94
US	59,570	65,927	63,246	106	96
N Atlantic	12,013	13,162	14,078	117	107
S Atlantic	8,351	7,787	7,208	86	93
E N Central	11,379	11,658	10,983	97	94
W N Central	8,299	8,693	8,546	103	98
S Central	6,726	8,656	7,835	116	91
West	12,802	15,971	14,596	114	91

1/ States not shown when fewer than 3 plants reported or individual plant operations could be disclosed.

Canned Milk and Dry Milk Products: Manufacturers' Shipments,  
Stocks, and Selling Prices, October 1994-95

Product	Oct	Sep	Oct	Percent of	
	1994	1995 1/	1995	Oct	Sep
				1994	1995
Manufacturers' Shipments 2/					
	----- 1,000 Pounds -----			---- Percent ---	
Dry Whole Milk	8,378	8,753	7,977	95	91
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human	87,143	92,241	74,195	85	80
Dry Skim Milk, Animal	941	643	849	90	132
Dry Buttermilk, Human	3,258	3,303	3,104	95	94
Manufacturers' Stocks End-of-Month 3/					
	----- 1,000 Pounds -----			---- Percent ---	
Canned Evaporated and Condensed Whole Milk	74,679	90,065	69,098	93	77
Dry Whole Milk	8,214	6,118	6,709	82	110
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human	93,021	78,293	70,066	75	89
Dry Skim Milk, Animal	1,728	1,704	1,245	72	73
Dry Buttermilk, Total	5,061	3,065	2,220	44	72
Manufacturers' Selling Prices 4/					
	----- Cents per Pound -----			Cents Change	
Dry Whole Milk	113.68	113.57	116.03	2.35	2.46
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human	105.28	105.31	105.33	.05	.02
Dry Skim Milk, Animal	47.68	48.71	43.03	-4.65	-5.68
Dry Buttermilk, Human	95.76	82.28	83.63	-12.13	1.35

1/ Revised.

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

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

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

**Procedures and Reliability:** Estimates included in this report are based on data provided each month by manufacturers of these products. In 32 States, the State Departments of Agriculture assist in collection of data, which eliminates duplicate reporting and reduces respondent burden. Data are collected by mail, personal and telephone interviews following the close of each month. There were 1,531 manufacturers that made one or more products in 1994. Each month, reports are generally received from all dairy plants in States with small numbers of plants. In States with large numbers of plants, survey procedures are designed to obtain monthly reports from all large plants and from a sample of small plants. Monthly estimates are based upon returns from about 70 percent of the plants which account for 70 to 90 percent of the total production of major dairy products.

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