

Dairy Products



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April 1997 Highlights

American type cheese production totaled 281 million pounds, 1 percent above April 1996 but 1 percent below March 1997.

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 598 million pounds, 1 percent below April 1996 and 6 percent below March 1997.

Creamed cottage cheese production was 29.4 million pounds, slightly above April 1996 but slightly below March 1997.

Lowfat cottage cheese production was 28.4 million pounds, slightly above April 1996 but 4 percent below March 1997.

Butter production was 117 million pounds in April, 7 percent above April 1996 and 12 percent above March 1997.

Frozen desserts: (comparisons with April 1996)

Ice cream, Regular (hard) --- 74.7 million gallons, up 1 percent.

Ice cream, Lowfat (total) --- 31.4 million gallons, down 5 percent.

Ice cream, Nonfat (hard) --- 2.82 million gallons, down 10 percent.

Sherbet (hard) --- 4.31 million gallons, down 5 percent.

Frozen Yogurt (total) --- 8.79 million gallons, down 22 percent.

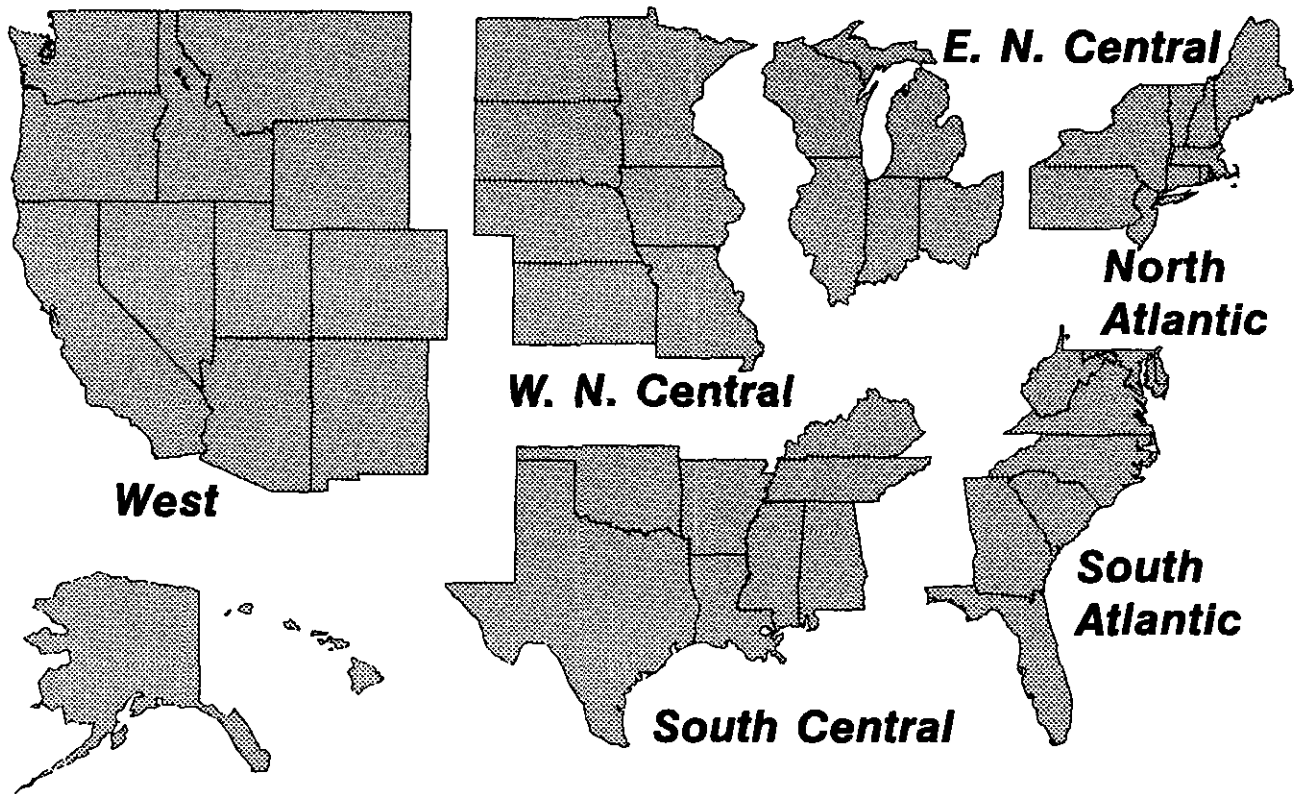
Dry milk products: (comparisons with April 1996)

Nonfat dry milk for human food --- 120 million pounds, up 3 percent.

Dry whole milk --- 6.65 million pounds, down 49 percent.

Dry buttermilk --- 4.85 million pounds, up 4 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 For example, if North Atlantic can not be published, then it will be combined with South Atlantic to publish Atlantic.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, April, 1996-97**

Product	Apr 1996	Mar 1997 ¹	Apr 1997	Percent of	
				Apr 1996	Mar 1997
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Butter	109,345	104,081	116,999	107	112
Cheese					
American Types ²	278,037	284,897	280,919	101	99
Cheddar	219,048	231,626	226,965	104	98
Swiss	17,165	16,831	16,004	93	95
Brick and Muenster	9,458	9,060	9,189	97	101
Cream and Neufchatel	45,069	51,946	39,209	87	75
Blue	2,786	3,589	3,665	132	102
Hispanic	6,063	5,780	5,738	95	99
Mozzarella	190,988	198,327	184,738	97	93
Other Italian Types	47,613	58,150	50,382	106	87
Total Italian Types	238,601	256,477	235,120	99	92
All Other Types ³	8,838	9,493	8,456	96	89
Total	606,017	638,073	598,300	99	94
Cottage Cheese, Curd ⁴	37,999	36,931	38,086	100	103
Cottage Cheese, Creamed ⁵	29,365	29,471	29,388	100	100
Cottage Cheese, Lowfat ⁶	28,295	29,676	28,377	100	96
Canned Evaporated and Condensed Whole Milk	35,812	42,066	42,848	120	102
Dry Whole Milk	13,016	9,795	6,647	51	68
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human	116,790	109,033	120,271	103	110
Dry Skim Milk, Animal	764	476	445	58	93
Dry Buttermilk	4,663	4,435	4,845	104	109
Yogurt, Plain & Flavored	138,760	139,326	133,847	96	96
	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Frozen Products					
Ice Cream, Hard	74,011	72,641	74,730	101	103
Ice Cream, Lowfat, Hard	9,338	11,205	10,651	114	95
Ice Cream, Lowfat, Soft	23,773	20,441	20,792	87	102
Ice Cream, Lowfat, Total	33,111	31,646	31,443	95	99
Ice Cream, Nonfat, Hard	3,148	2,544	2,820	90	111
Sherbet, Hard	4,526	4,085	4,313	95	106
Water and Juice Ices	6,462	5,794	8,128	126	140
Frozen Yogurt, Total	11,308	6,399	8,788	78	137
Regular & Lowfat, Hard	5,386	3,777	3,765	70	100
Nonfat, Hard	1,877	2,449	2,833	151	116
Other Frozen Dairy Products	1,259	1,145	1,013	80	88
Mix for Frozen Products					
Ice Cream Mix	40,651	40,040	41,200	101	103
Ice Cream, Lowfat, Mix	19,355	19,525	19,467	101	100
Ice Cream, Nonfat, Mix	2,053	1,541	1,741	85	113
Sherbet Mix	3,198	2,852	2,943	92	103
Yogurt Mix	7,157	4,050	5,562	78	137

¹ Revised.

² Includes Cheddar, Colby, washed curd, stirred curd, Monterey, and Jack.

³ Does not include Part Skim cheese beginning January 1996 or Hispanic cheese beginning June 1996.

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.

**Whey and Modified Whey Products: Production, Stocks,
and Prices, United States, April, 1996-97**

Product	Apr 1996	Mar 1997 ¹	Apr 1997	Percent of	
				Apr 1996	Mar 1997
Production					
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Condensed Whey, Solids Content ²					
Sweet-Type, Human	8,275	10,278	9,495	115	92
Sweet-Type, Animal	2,128	1,971	2,045	96	104
Dry Whey Products					
Dry Whey, Human	93,990	92,025	87,145	93	95
Dry Whey, Animal	5,684	5,340	5,744	101	108
Reduced Lactose and Minerals					
Human Food	7,180	5,981	5,143	72	86
Animal Feed	2,228	2,504	2,479	111	99
Lactose, Human and Animal	30,783	35,028	35,375	115	101
Whey					
Solids in Wet Blends, Animal	5,322	5,206	6,078	114	117
Protein Concentrate, Human	23,119	24,051	23,316	101	97
Protein Concentrate, Animal	2,913	2,782	2,916	100	105
Manufacturers' Stocks End-of-Month³					
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Dry Whey Products					
Dry Whey, Human	41,294	32,621	27,868	67	85
Dry Whey, Animal	4,360	4,182	5,745	132	137
Reduced Lactose and Minerals					
Human and Animal ⁴	8,786	12,834	12,436	142	97
Lactose, Human and Animal	17,699	19,559	19,916	113	102
Whey Protein Concentrate, Human	9,952	8,766	8,782	88	100
Whey Protein Concentrate, Animal	580	540	726	125	134
Manufacturers' Selling Price⁵					
	<i>Cents per Pound</i>	<i>Cents per Pound</i>	<i>Cents per Pound</i>	<i>Cents Change</i>	<i>Cents Change</i>
Dry Whey, Human	21.8	20.0	19.3	-2.5	-7
Dry Whey, Animal	21.4	19.5	17.0	-4.4	-2.5

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, 1996-97**

Product and Month	By Month			Cumulative		
	1996	1997	1997 as % of 1996	1996	1997	1997 as % of 1996
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Butter						
Jan	132,408	123,966	94	132,408	123,966	94
Feb	114,734	108,259	94	247,142	232,225	94
Mar	111,937	104,081	93	359,079	336,306	94
Apr	109,345	116,999	107	468,424	453,305	97
May	100,914			569,338		
Jun	72,716			642,054		
Jul	75,175			717,229		
Aug	73,217			790,446		
Sep	80,743			871,189		
Oct	96,623			967,812		
Nov	95,343			1,063,155		
Dec	111,320			1,174,475		
American Cheese						
Jan	275,726	278,873	101	275,726	278,873	101
Feb	266,815	266,818	100	542,541	545,691	101
Mar	284,675	284,897	100	827,216	830,588	100
Apr	278,037	280,919	101	1,105,253	1,111,507	101
May	302,187			1,407,440		
Jun	278,510			1,685,950		
Jul	269,320			1,955,270		
Aug	262,260			2,217,530		
Sep	254,489			2,472,019		
Oct	266,208			2,738,227		
Nov	262,203			3,000,430		
Dec	280,369			3,280,799		
Italian Cheese						
Jan	234,299	233,867	100	234,299	233,867	100
Feb	230,311	227,335	99	464,610	461,202	99
Mar	248,911	256,477	103	713,521	717,679	101
Apr	238,601	235,120	99	952,122	952,799	100
May	239,149			1,191,271		
Jun	223,238			1,414,509		
Jul	225,012			1,639,521		
Aug	231,172			1,870,693		
Sep	231,391			2,102,084		
Oct	234,731			2,336,815		
Nov	230,654			2,567,469		
Dec	244,928			2,812,397		

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**Dairy Products: Production by Product and Month,
United States, 1996-97 (continued)**

Product and Month	By Month			Cumulative		
	1996	1997	1997 as % of 1996	1996	1997	1997 as % of 1996
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Total Cheese						
Jan	589,952	596,052	101	589,952	596,052	101
Feb	576,024	574,617	100	1,165,976	1,170,669	100
Mar	625,400	638,073	102	1,791,376	1,808,742	101
Apr	606,017	598,300	99	2,397,393	2,407,042	100
May	636,544			3,033,937		
Jun	595,823			3,629,760		
Jul	582,210			4,211,970		
Aug	589,483			4,801,453		
Sep	584,468			5,385,921		
Oct	612,242			5,998,163		
Nov	595,495			6,593,658		
Dec	623,886			7,217,544		
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human						
Jan	97,413	97,288	100	97,413	97,288	100
Feb	93,091	91,984	99	190,504	189,272	99
Mar	105,442	109,033	103	295,946	298,305	101
Apr	116,790	120,271	103	412,736	418,576	101
May	114,445			527,181		
Jun	94,341			621,522		
Jul	78,849			700,371		
Aug	61,427			761,798		
Sep	56,034			817,832		
Oct	65,690			883,522		
Nov	76,732			960,254		
Dec	101,517			1,061,771		
Total Dry Whey ¹						
Jan	94,663	92,568	98	94,663	92,568	98
Feb	94,917	86,944	92	189,580	179,512	95
Mar	98,371	97,365	99	287,951	276,877	96
Apr	99,674	92,889	93	387,625	369,766	95
May	100,853			488,478		
Jun	98,053			586,531		
Jul	95,368			681,899		
Aug	93,238			775,137		
Sep	86,030			861,167		
Oct	87,603			948,770		
Nov	78,765			1,027,535		
Dec	88,979			1,116,514		

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**Dairy Products: Production by Product and Month,
United States, 1996-97 (continued)**

Product and Month	By Month			Cumulative		
	1996	1997	1997 as % of 1996	1996	1997	1997 as % of 1996
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cream Cottage Cheese						
Jan	29,524	28,672	97	29,524	28,672	97
Feb	29,167	27,807	95	58,691	56,479	96
Mar	30,203	29,471	98	88,894	85,950	97
Apr	29,365	29,388	100	118,259	115,338	98
May	31,940			150,199		
Jun	29,813			180,012		
Jul	32,230			212,242		
Aug	32,058			244,300		
Sep	30,607			274,907		
Oct	30,662			305,569		
Nov	27,864			333,433		
Dec	26,980			360,413		
Lowfat Cottage Cheese						
Jan	25,843	26,851	104	25,843	26,851	104
Feb	26,672	26,731	100	52,515	53,582	102
Mar	27,930	29,676	106	80,445	83,258	103
Apr	28,295	28,377	100	108,740	111,635	103
May	29,113			137,853		
Jun	27,375			165,228		
Jul	30,250			195,478		
Aug	29,428			224,906		
Sep	28,290			253,196		
Oct	27,118			280,314		
Nov	25,537			305,851		
Dec	24,039			329,890		
	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Ice Cream, Hard						
Jan	56,419	58,621	104	56,419	58,621	104
Feb	62,337	63,204	101	118,756	121,825	103
Mar	68,258	72,641	106	187,014	194,466	104
Apr	74,011	74,730	101	261,025	269,196	103
May	79,862			340,887		
Jun	85,562			426,449		
Jul	86,931			513,380		
Aug	77,490			590,870		
Sep	67,962			658,832		
Oct	62,395			721,227		
Nov	50,905			772,132		
Dec	53,106			825,238		

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**Dairy Products: Production by Product and Month,
United States, 1996-97 (continued)**

Product and Month	By Month			Cumulative		
	1996	1997	1997 as % of 1996	1996	1997	1997 as % of 1996
	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Ice Cream, Lowfat						
Jan	23,291	23,205	100	23,291	23,205	100
Feb	24,704	23,501	95	47,995	46,706	97
Mar	31,952	31,646	99	79,947	78,352	98
Apr	33,111	31,443	95	113,058	109,795	97
May	36,495			149,553		
Jun	38,647			188,200		
Jul	39,578			227,778		
Aug	36,666			264,444		
Sep	29,763			294,207		
Oct	27,135			321,342		
Nov	23,452			344,794		
Dec	21,332			366,126		
Ice Cream, NF, Hard						
Jan	2,383	2,117	89	2,383	2,117	89
Feb	2,679	2,690	100	5,062	4,807	95
Mar	3,541	2,544	72	8,603	7,351	85
Apr	3,148	2,820	90	11,751	10,171	87
May	3,488			15,239		
Jun	3,402			18,641		
Jul	3,828			22,469		
Aug	3,244			25,713		
Sep	3,087			28,800		
Oct	2,832			31,632		
Nov	1,836			33,468		
Dec	1,722			35,190		
Sherbet, Hard						
Jan	3,489	3,331	95	3,489	3,331	95
Feb	3,587	3,611	101	7,076	6,942	98
Mar	4,245	4,085	96	11,321	11,027	97
Apr	4,526	4,313	95	15,847	15,340	97
May	4,919			20,766		
Jun	5,113			25,879		
Jul	5,704			31,583		
Aug	4,975			36,558		
Sep	3,649			40,207		
Oct	3,440			43,647		
Nov	2,765			46,412		
Dec	3,081			49,493		
Frozen Yogurt						
Jan	8,538	6,467	76	8,538	6,467	76
Feb	9,295	8,034	86	17,833	14,501	81
Mar	10,815	6,399	59	28,648	20,900	73
Apr	11,308	8,788	78	39,956	29,688	74
May	11,841			51,797		
Jun	10,949			62,746		
Jul	12,321			75,067		
Aug	11,205			86,272		
Sep	9,480			95,752		
Oct	8,502			104,254		
Nov	7,205			111,459		
Dec	6,672			118,131		

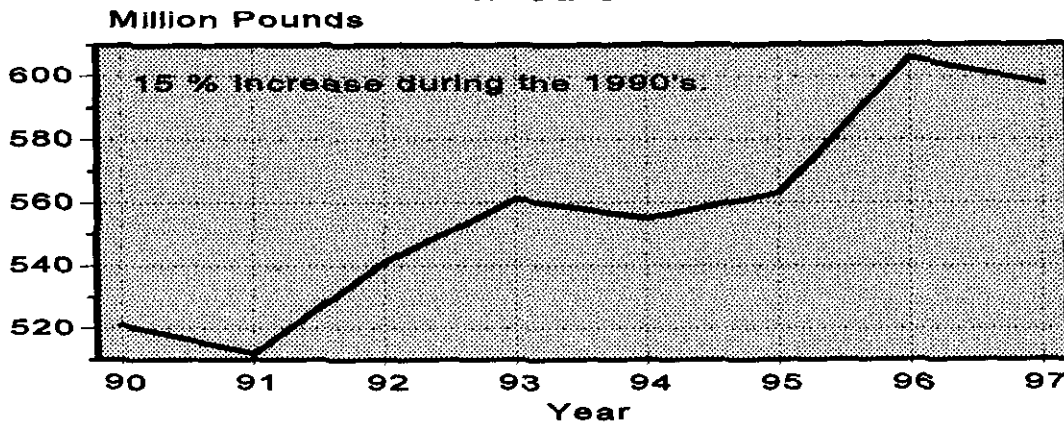
¹ Excludes all modified dry whey products.

Total Cheese, Excluding Cottage Cheese: Production by State and United States, April 1996-97

State	Apr 1996	Mar 1997	Apr 1997	Percent of	
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	Apr 1996 <i>Percent</i>	Mar 1997 <i>Percent</i>
CA	81,496	97,208	95,349	117	98
ID	34,549	38,221	37,875	110	99
IL	9,574	9,805	9,613	100	98
IA	19,421	19,345	15,893	82	82
KS	3,308	2,857	2,936	89	103
MA	90	105	78	87	74
MI	8,835	9,416	9,740	110	103
MN	60,575	58,048	55,160	91	95
MO	13,901	14,548	12,905	93	89
NE	9,474	8,317	7,867	83	95
NY	49,637	55,424	49,562	100	89
ND	2,202	1,684	2,000	91	119
OH	9,486	9,553	9,737	103	102
OR	4,247	4,510	4,259	100	94
PA	28,145	31,008	26,676	95	86
SD	11,471	11,449	11,546	101	101
TN	1,863	2,051	2,004	108	98
UT	6,512	5,999	5,171	79	86
VT	11,829	9,940	8,120	69	82
WA	8,487	9,377	9,138	108	97
WI	175,919	184,609	168,973	96	92
Oth Sts ¹	54,996	54,599	53,698	98	98
US	606,017	638,073	598,300	99	94
N Atlantic	95,090	101,832	89,456	94	88
S Atlantic	2,349	2,088	2,224	95	107
E N Central	205,077	214,552	199,291	97	93
W N Central	120,352	116,248	108,307	90	93
S Central	15,621	13,785	13,622	87	99
West	167,528	189,568	185,400	111	98

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

**April Total Cheese Production
United States**



American Cheese: Production by State and United States, April 1996-97

State	Apr 1996	Mar 1997	Apr 1997	Percent of	
				Apr 1996	Mar 1997
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CA	25,712	38,679	39,096	152	101
ID	31,408	34,813	34,912	111	100
IA	8,763	8,732	8,354	95	96
KS	3,308	2,857	2,936	89	103
MN	52,272	47,978	46,084	88	96
NY	8,226	8,331	8,478	103	102
ND	2,202	1,684	2,000	91	119
OH	2,744	2,475	2,891	105	117
SD	4,451	4,117	4,252	96	103
TN	1,863	2,051	2,004	108	98
UT	3,155	3,028	2,403	76	79
WA	3,706	4,997	5,068	137	101
WI	83,093	81,500	79,000	95	97
Oth Sts ¹	47,134	43,655	43,441	92	100
US	278,037	284,897	280,919	101	99
Atlantic	14,081	12,649	13,363	95	106
E N Central	87,381	85,441	83,391	95	98
W N Central	76,485	70,683	69,218	90	98
S Central	15,325	13,554	13,475	88	99
West	84,765	102,570	101,472	120	99

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, April 1996-97

State	Apr 1996	Mar 1997	Apr 1997	Percent of	
				Apr 1996	Mar 1997
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CA	42,500	43,925	41,866	99	95
ID	311	323	386	124	120
NY	17,725	18,481	18,313	103	99
PA	17,723	20,079	18,320	103	91
VT	4,545	3,857	2,772	61	72
WI	53,638	58,000	52,000	97	90
Oth Sts ¹	54,546	53,662	51,081	94	95
US	190,988	198,327	184,738	97	93
Atlantic	42,786	44,786	41,848	98	93
E N Central	64,025	68,891	63,484	99	92
W N Central	21,524	19,217	16,402	76	85
West	62,653	65,433	63,004	101	96

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

Butter: Production by State and United States, April 1996-97

State	Apr 1996	Mar 1997	Apr 1997	Percent of	
				Apr 1996	Mar 1997
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CA	27,523	25,408	32,913	120	130
MI	2,383	2,030	2,400	101	118
MN	5,767	6,545	6,524	113	100
NY	2,408	2,260	2,355	98	104
ND	369	291	317	86	109
OR	1,605	2,130	2,100	131	99
PA	7,697	6,850	6,130	80	89
WA	6,593	8,046	9,047	137	112
WI	27,572	25,000	28,000	102	112
Oth Sts ¹	27,428	25,521	27,213	99	107
US	109,345	104,081	116,999	107	112
N Atlantic	12,999	11,635	12,122	93	104
S Atlantic	4,481	4,692	4,586	102	98
E N Central	36,190	33,363	37,517	104	112
W N Central	10,048	11,145	11,200	111	100
S Central	8,296	6,753	7,338	88	109
West	37,331	36,493	44,236	118	121

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, April 1996-97**

State	Apr 1996	Mar 1997	Apr 1997	Percent of	
				Apr 1996	Mar 1997
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CA	38,327	43,473	46,651	122	107
IA	4,996	5,841	6,179	124	106
MI	4,843	2,740	4,776	99	174
MN	1,939	1,047	850	44	81
NM	2,466	2,705	3,599	146	133
NY	3,568	1,915	1,888	53	99
TN	1,291				
WA	16,004	15,377	15,164	95	99
WI	4,866	1,115	3,000	62	269
Oth Sts ¹	38,490	34,820	38,164	99	110
US	116,790	109,033	120,271	103	110
Atlantic	21,087	21,745	22,960	109	106
E N Central	11,923	5,278	9,493	80	180
W N Central	11,556	8,330	8,491	73	102
S Central	9,245	6,308	7,664	83	121
West	62,979	67,372	71,663	114	106

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, April 1996-97

State	Apr 1996	Mar 1997	Apr 1997	Percent of	
				Apr 1996	Mar 1997
	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>1,000 Gallons</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	748	423	546	73	129
AR	364	301	327	90	109
CA	8,761	9,469	9,736	111	103
FL	2,363	1,575	1,600	68	102
GA	904	1,018	934	103	92
ID	678	442	763	113	173
IL	2,840	3,374	2,966	104	88
IN	3,733	6,626	4,952	133	75
KS	335	197	338	101	172
KY	452	397	464	103	117
ME	135	150	155	115	103
MD	1,803	1,743	1,917	106	110
MA	5,062	4,175	5,250	104	126
MI	2,462	2,035	1,800	73	88
MN	3,315	3,734	3,691	111	99
MO	1,241	1,165	1,140	92	98
NM	527	235	560	106	238
NY	3,079	2,500	3,000	97	120
NC	2,429	1,981	2,290	94	116
ND	56	78	97	173	124
OH	3,657	3,000	3,400	93	113
OR	1,008	800	950	94	119
PA	4,257	4,800	4,595	108	96
SC	1,214	1,090	1,228	101	113
TN	935	1,186	970	104	82
TX	3,896	4,037	4,246	109	105
UT	1,102	885	930	84	105
VT	877	840	725	83	86
WA	1,972	1,963	1,778	90	91
WI	744	725	750	101	103
Oth Sts ¹	13,059	12,862	13,772	105	107
US	74,011	72,641	74,730	101	103
N Atlantic	16,576	15,084	16,644	100	110
S Atlantic	9,956	8,259	8,821	89	107
E N Central	13,436	15,760	13,868	103	88
W N Central	9,793	9,465	9,694	99	102
S Central	7,774	7,658	7,976	103	104
West	16,476	16,415	17,727	108	108

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**Canned Milk and Dry Milk Products: Manufacturers' Shipments,
Stocks, and Selling Prices, April 1996-97**

Product	Apr 1996	Mar 1997 ¹	Apr 1997	Percent of	
				Apr 1996	Mar 1997
Manufacturers' Shipments²					
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Dry Whole Milk	9,825	5,553	6,594	67	119
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human	90,947	87,697	77,574	85	88
Dry Skim Milk, Animal	934	685	533	57	78
Dry Buttermilk, Human	3,907	2,834	2,780	71	98
Manufacturers' Stocks End-of-Month³					
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Canned Evaporated and Condensed Whole Milk	49,961	25,718	27,210	54	106
Dry Whole Milk	10,214	5,816	4,267	42	73
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human	100,272	81,259	118,490	118	146
Dry Skim Milk, Animal	1,083	672	624	58	93
Dry Buttermilk, Total	3,345	3,014	3,648	109	121
Manufacturers' Selling Prices⁴					
	<i>Cents per Pound</i>	<i>Cents per Pound</i>	<i>Cents per Pound</i>	<i>Cents Change</i>	<i>Cents Change</i>
Dry Whole Milk	117.70	123.98	125.51	7.81	1.53
Nonfat Dry Milk, Human	107.98	113.08	112.26	4.28	-.82
Dry Skim Milk, Animal	63.96	54.67	58.59	-5.37	3.92
Dry Buttermilk, Human	92.38	102.71	104.87	12.49	2.16

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 1,420 manufacturers that made one or more products in 1996. 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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