

Table 36--Mailbox Milk Prices for Selected Reporting Areas in Federal Milk Orders and California, by Month and Annual Average, 2003

Reporting Area <u>2/</u>	Mailbox Milk Price <u>1/</u>												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Avg. <u>3/</u>
Dollars per hundredweight													
Northeast Milk Order	11.62	11.22	10.86	11.06	11.10	11.07	11.63	12.87	14.49	15.23	14.98	14.39	12.48
Appalachian States <u>4/</u>	12.45	12.12	11.54	11.29	11.32	11.33	11.90	12.92	14.67	15.22	14.94	14.75	12.77
Southeast States <u>5/</u>	13.07	12.54	11.93	11.63	11.69	11.86	12.72	13.88	15.51	15.97	15.58	15.46	13.36
Southern Missouri <u>6/</u>	11.83	11.44	10.82	10.61	10.71	10.82	11.30	12.41	14.22	14.71	14.31	14.14	12.20
Florida	14.72	13.98	13.56	13.21	13.18	13.31	14.42	15.25	17.25	17.73	17.46	17.41	14.97
Ohio	11.77	11.34	10.85	10.80	10.84	10.76	11.47	12.38	14.13	15.05	14.74	14.09	12.29
Michigan	11.42	11.06	10.61	10.48	10.66	10.54	11.29	12.21	13.90	14.60	14.38	13.62	12.07
Wisconsin	11.59	11.28	10.70	10.85	11.04	10.90	12.26	13.98	14.95	15.57	14.80	13.77	12.56
Minnesota	11.52	11.21	10.72	10.86	10.95	10.89	12.61	14.32	15.10	15.59	14.72	13.47	12.62
Iowa	11.58	11.24	10.68	10.73	10.83	10.66	12.03	13.54	14.68	15.31	14.54	13.79	12.48
Illinois	11.89	11.48	10.78	10.84	10.89	10.82	11.61	13.01	14.54	15.35	14.80	13.82	12.42
Corn Belt States <u>7/</u>	11.46	11.11	10.40	10.68	10.66	10.53	11.22	11.90	13.45	13.75	13.58	13.20	11.81
Western Texas <u>8/</u>	11.90	11.17	10.71	10.62	10.48	10.45	11.48	12.36	13.95	14.36	13.93	13.53	11.99
New Mexico	10.93	10.16	9.78	9.72	9.62	9.52	10.57	11.25	13.13	13.39	13.10	12.52	11.13
Idaho	10.38	10.17	9.71	9.87	9.87	9.97	11.63	12.56	13.47	13.83	13.61	12.64	11.54
Utah	10.25	9.98	9.55	9.54	9.64	9.95	10.63	11.43	13.17	13.70	13.37	12.62	11.02
Northwest States <u>9/</u>	10.91	10.57	10.33	10.31	10.39	10.28	10.56	11.25	12.36	13.03	13.34	12.81	11.33
All Federal Order Areas <u>10/</u>	11.61	11.19	10.73	10.79	10.83	10.77	11.72	12.91	14.38	14.88	14.50	13.81	12.28
California <u>11/</u>	10.64	10.33	10.06	10.14	10.13	10.13	11.53	12.75	13.24	13.46	12.82	12.54	11.48

1/ Net pay price received by dairy farmers for milk. Includes all payments received for milk sold and all costs associated with marketing the milk. Price is a weighted average for the reporting area and is reported at the average butterfat test. Mailbox price does not include any Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) payments. Mailbox price does include, for the most part, the \$0.05 per hundredweight assessment under the Cooperatives Working Together (CWT) program, which became effective in July.

2/ Information is shown for those areas for which prices are reported for at least 75% of the milk marketed under Federal milk orders. The price shown is the weighted average of the prices reported for all orders that received milk from the area.

3/ Figures are annual averages -- the weighted average of the monthly figures; except California, which is the simple average.

4/ Includes Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. 5/ Includes Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, and Mississippi. 6/ The counties Vernon, Cedar, Polk, Dallas, Laclede, Texas, Dent, Crawford, Washington, St. Francois, and Perry, and all those to the south of these. 7/ Includes Kansas, Nebraska, and the Missouri counties to the north of those listed in 6/. 8/ All counties to the west of Fanin, Hunt, Van Zandt, Henderson, Houston, Cherokee, Nacogdoches, and Shelby. 9/ Includes Oregon and Washington. 10/ Weighted average of the information for all selected reporting areas in Federal milk orders. 11/ Calculated by California Department of Food and Agriculture, and published in "California Dairy Information Bulletin."