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EVAPORATED, CONDENSED, AND DRY MILK REPORT  
(September 1951)

DRY MILK

Production, stocks, and selling prices of total nonfat dry milk solids for September were essentially in the same position for the month as they had been in August, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports. Production was the second highest of record for the month. Stocks at the end of September were the highest in 17 years for which records are available, and manufacturers selling prices were the highest for the month since 1948.

September output of total nonfat dry milk solids was 45,200,000 pounds, a gain of 5 percent from a year earlier and 1 percent from the 1945-49 September average. Totalling 588,400,000 pounds for the first 9 months of 1951, production was 20 percent below the same period of 1950. Production of spray-dried nonfat milk solids was 36,600,000 pounds, a gain of 13 percent from a year earlier and 29 percent from the 5-year average for the month. Cumulative production during the first 9 months of 1951 totaled 447,550,000 pounds, a decline of 12 percent from the first 9 months of the preceding year. Roller-dried nonfat milk output for September was 8,600,000 pounds, the lowest for the month on record, down 18 percent from a year earlier and 48 percent from the 1945-49 September average. For the period from January through September 1951, production totaled 140,850,000 pounds, a decrease of 39 percent from the same period in 1950.

Dry whole milk production, at 7,325,000 pounds, in September was at the lowest level for the month since 1942. The output was 30 percent below a year earlier and 42 percent below the 5-year average. During the first 9 months of 1951, production totaled 122,375,000 pounds, a gain of 25 percent from the same period a year earlier. Spray-dried whole milk was 6,300,000 pounds, a decrease of 32 percent from a year earlier and 45 percent for the 5-year September average. Production of roller-dried whole milk, at 1,025,000 pounds, was 14 percent lower than a year earlier and 16 percent lower than the 1945-49 September average.

Production of dry buttermilk was 3,400,000 pounds for September, a gain of 24 percent from a year earlier and 12 percent from the 5-year average for the month. Production for 1951 through September totaled 33,960,000 pounds, a decline of 9 percent from the same months in 1950. Output of dry skim milk for animal feed was 1,150,000 pounds in September, a gain of 40 percent from a year earlier and 6 percent from the 5-year average for the date. Totalling 11,265,000 pounds, production for the first 9 months of 1951 was down 37 percent from the corresponding period of 1950.

Manufacturers' stocks of most dry milk products were the highest in several years. Holdings of total nonfat dry milk solids on September 30 were 109,438,000 pounds, the highest for the date in 17 years of record, up 158 percent from a year earlier and 74 percent from the corresponding 5-year average. Stocks of spray-dried nonfat milk at the end of September totaled 90,843,000 pounds, more than 3 times that of a year earlier and nearly 2½ times higher than the 5-year average. Stocks of roller-dried nonfat milk solids were 18,595,000 pounds for September 30, a gain of 39 percent from a year earlier, but a decline of 28 percent from the 5-year average. Stocks of dry skim milk for animal feed, at 6,096,000 pounds, continued at the highest levels on record. For September 30, stocks were nearly 7 times as high as a year earlier and more than 4 times higher than the 5-year average. Holdings of dry buttermilk were 9,907,000 pounds,

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NONFAT DRY MILK SOLIDS (Milk Goods)				DRY SKIM	DRY BUTTERMILK (Milk Goods)		
Price 1/	Soy process		Roller process	Animal Feed	Price 1/	Human Food	Animal Feed
Cents	Pounds				Cents	Pounds	
8 - 8 1/2				14,316	8 - 8 1/2		26,300
9 - 9 1/2				47,300	8 1/2 - 9		17,500
9 1/2 - 10				103,426	9 - 9 1/2		81,210
10 - 10 1/2				305,567	9 1/2 - 10	30,030	116,129
10 1/2 - 11		5,450		130,283	10 - 10 1/2	-	291,280
11 - 11 1/2		16,600		96,681	10 1/2 - 11	-	256,429
11 1/2 - 12		-		63,914	11 - 11 1/2	-	179,505
12 - 12 1/2		362,900		104,671	11 1/2 - 12	-	21,540
12 1/2 - 13	21,150	1,063,041		27,195	12 - 12 1/2	45,250	22,218
13 - 13 1/2	4,333,618	2,652,042		9,601	13 - 13 1/2	4,750	34,800
13 1/2 - 14	748,731	1,305,769		12,112	13 1/2 - 14	484,380	1,850
14 - 14 1/2	3,523,896	3,661,610			14 - 14 1/2	10,100	-
14 1/2 - 15	10,709,524	422,954			14 1/2 - 15	25,200	-
15 - 15 1/2	9,969,099	335,082			15 - 15 1/2	70,310	3,430
15 1/2 - 16	6,504,220	124,800			15 1/2 - 16	15,125	
16 - 16 1/2	1,723,175	19,400			16 - 16 1/2	49,180	
16 1/2 - 17	2,757,356	158,200			16 1/2 - 17	3,150	
17 - 17 1/2	1,208,655	-			17 - 17 1/2	12,453	
17 1/2 - 18	2,113,833	6,480					
18 - 18 1/2	1,050,831						
TOTAL	44,664,088	10,134,328		915,066		749,928	1,052,191
TOTAL HUMAN		54,798,416					
GRAND TOTAL				55,713,482			1,802,119

MANUFACTURERS' SELLING PRICES OF DRY WHOLE MILK DURING SEPTEMBER 1951 2/ (F.O.B. Plant)

Price 1/	1-2 1/2 lb. packages	5 lb. packages	All other pkgs. including bbls. & drums	Total reported shipments
Cents	Pounds			
32 1/2 - 33 1/2			169,730	169,730
34 1/2 - 35 1/2			842,024	842,024
35 1/2 - 36 1/2			715,400	715,400
37 1/2 - 38 1/2	124,408		3,796	128,204
38 1/2 - 39 1/2	223,542	80,105	-	303,647
39 1/2 - 40 1/2	160,431	217,716	540,970	919,117
40 1/2 - 41 1/2	-	-	1,144,061	1,144,061
41 1/2 - 42 1/2	-	1,460	28,109	29,569
42 1/2 - 43 1/2	-	-	8,111	8,111
43 1/2 - 44 1/2	3,480	19,200	-	22,680
44 1/2 - 45 1/2	-	-	51,322	51,322
45 1/2 - 46 1/2	66,217	-	-	66,217
47 1/2 - 48 1/2	-	59,490	-	59,490
49 1/2 - 50 1/2	-	60,720	-	60,720
50 1/2 - 51 1/2	-	892,840	-	892,840
51 1/2 - 52 1/2	85,815	-	-	85,815
53 1/2 - 54 1/2	21,698	-	-	21,698
54 1/2 - 55 1/2	1,303,836	-	-	1,303,836
TOTAL	1,989,127	1,331,531	3,503,523	6,824,181

1/ Classified according to average monthly prices reported by firms.  
 2/ Includes some dry whole in special packages for export.

MANUFACTURERS' AVERAGE SELLING PRICES OF DRY MILK SOLIDS - SEPTEMBER 1951

Month	Nonfat dry milk solids			Dry Skim Feed	N.F. Solids & Dry Skim	Dry Buttermilk			Dry Whole Milk			
	Spray	Roller	Spray & Roller			Human Food	Animal Feed	Human and Animal	1-2 1/2 lb. pkgs.	5-lb. pkgs.	Other pkgs. incl. bbls. & drums	Total ship ments
	Cents per pound											
Sept. 1951	15.20	13.74	14.93	10.60	14.86	13.80	10.38	11.81	50.41	48.20	37.97	43.59
Aug. 1951	14.96	13.62	14.70	10.43	14.64	13.61	10.15	11.00	53.96	45.49	35.67	44.07
Sept. 1950	12.29	10.59	11.86	8.64	11.81	11.80	8.60	10.08	43.10	39.08	34.50	37.67
Sept. 1945-49	13.84	12.67	13.36	9.20	13.29	12.98	9.03	10.87	1/	1/	1/	42.16

1/ Not available.

AVERAGE PRICES PAID PRODUCERS BY CONDENSERIES FOR 3.5% MILK F.O.B. PLANT FOR  
SEPTEMBER 1951 - 7 GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS 1/

Geographic Division	Case Goods		Bulk Goods			
	Evaporated (48 14½-oz. cans) per case	Condensed (48 14-oz. cans) per case	Plain condensed (unsweetened)		Sweetened Condensed	
			Whole	Skimmed	Whole	Skimmed
	Dollars		Dollars per hundredweight			
New England	6.02	10.80	-	4.86	18.08	10.28
Middle Atlantic	6.05	10.80	14.52	4.36	16.20	9.45
South Atlantic	6.08	10.80	-	4.44	17.81	10.51
East North Central	5.91	10.80	12.79	4.54	15.53	9.77
West North Central	6.07	10.80	12.61	4.88	16.67	9.73
South Central	6.13	10.80	-	5.00	16.68	9.82
North Western	6.24	10.80	10.00	-	-	-
South Western	6.18	10.80	12.62	5.35	16.30	10.32
U. S. September 1951	6.06	10.80	13.49	4.68	16.27	9.85
U. S. August 1951	6.09	10.80	13.47	4.68	16.18	9.86
U. S. September 1950	5.37	9.30	12.62	3.81	14.38	8.73

1/ Manufacturers' prices are based upon the reports made by manufacturers covering actual sales of goods delivered at manufacturers' distributing points on the basis of cash or short-time credit.

AVERAGE PRICES PAID PRODUCERS BY CONDENSERIES FOR 3.5% MILK F.O.B. PLANT FOR  
SEPTEMBER 1951 - 7 GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS 1/

Geographic Division	Number of plants or stations	Price per cwt.	
		Range	Average
		Dollars	
Middle Atlantic	5	3.30-3.90	3.67
South Atlantic	7	3.32-3.85	3.43
East North Central	80	3.28-4.36	3.47
West North Central	9	3.15-3.45	3.32
South Central	22	3.18-3.72	3.32
North Western	7	3.20-3.70	3.37
South Western	18	3.22-4.02	3.63
U. S. September 1951	142	3.15-4.36	3.46
U. S. August 1951	149	3.15-3.94	3.45
U. S. September 1950	150	2.56-3.57	2.90

1/ No prices available for the New England Division.

Prices paid in September at 18 Midwest condenseries used in determining class prices under the Chicago Milk Marketing Order

Chicago \$3.475

Prices received f.o.b. plants for nonfat dry milk solids in the Chicago area covering the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin for the period August 26, 1951 through September 25, 1951 averaged for:

Spray	14.95 cents per pound
Roller	13.25 cents per pound.

highest for the date since 1944, about double those of a year earlier and 78 percent higher than the 5-year average for the date.

Stocks of dry whole milk at the end of September totaled 25,511,000 pounds, the highest for the date since 1943, more than double a year earlier and up 21 percent from the 5-year average. Stocks of spray-dried whole milk, at 25,313,000 pounds, were 106 percent larger than a year earlier and 22 percent larger than the 5-year average. Roller-dried whole milk stocks were 193,000 pounds, a gain of 1 percent from a year earlier, but a decline of 29 percent from the 1945-49 average.

Sales of total nonfat dry milk solids for September totaled 54,798,000 pounds, a seasonal decline of 13 percent from August and a decline of 4 percent from a year earlier. These are the smallest sales for the month since 1948. Sales of dry whole milk during September totaled 6,826,000 pounds, a gain of 7 percent from August, but 39 percent below a year earlier. Dry buttermilk sales for September, at 1,802,000 pounds, were the smallest for the month since 1930, down 15 percent from both the preceding month and a year earlier.

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AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY CONDENSERIES FOR MILK TO BE USED PRIMARILY  
FOR CANNING DURING SEPTEMBER 1951 <sup>1/</sup> WITH COMPARISONS

State and Division	September 1950			August 1951			September 1951		
	Price paid per 100 lbs. milk Dollars	Butter-fat test Pct.	Price per lb. of butter-fat Dollars	Price paid per 100 lbs. milk Dollars	Butter-fat test Pct.	Price per lb. of butter-fat Dollars	Price paid per 100 lbs. milk Dollars	Butter-fat test Pct.	Price per lb. of butter-fat Dollars
N. Y.	3.49	3.92	.89	3.90	3.74	1.04	4.06	3.89	1.04
Pa.	3.48	4.11	.85	3.97	3.88	1.02	4.16	4.02	1.03
M. Atl.	3.43	4.00	.87	3.93	3.80	1.03	4.11	3.95	1.04
Va.	3.56	4.67	.76	4.11	4.41	.93	4.28	4.65	.92
W. Va.	3.56	4.40	.81	4.06	4.26	.95	4.24	4.57	.93
S. Atl. 2/	3.58	4.57	.78	4.10	4.33	.95	4.27	4.57	.93
Ohio	3.35	4.15	.81	3.88	4.04	.96	3.99	4.21	.95
Ind.	3.57	4.21	.85	4.06	4.05	1.00	4.21	4.23	1.00
Ill.	3.19	3.85	.83	3.65	3.67	.99	3.71	3.77	.98
Mich.	3.31	4.07	.81	3.87	3.90	.99	3.95	4.04	.98
Wis.	3.33	3.89	.86	3.79	3.78	1.00	3.90	3.92	1.00
E. N. C.	3.34	4.01	.83	3.83	3.87	.99	3.94	4.01	.98
Minn.	3.15	3.74	.82	3.64	3.69	.99	3.77	3.84	.98
Iowa	3.24	3.89	.83	3.64	3.75	.97	3.78	3.90	.97
Mo.	3.57	4.57	.78	3.95	4.30	.92	4.18	4.47	.93
Kans.	3.35	4.28	.78	3.77	4.06	.93	3.99	4.33	.92
W. N. C.	3.47	4.39	.79	3.86	4.14	.93	4.07	4.32	.94
Ky.	3.58	4.68	.77	4.01	4.38	.92	4.23	4.68	.90
Tenn.	3.59	4.73	.76	4.06	4.41	.92	4.27	4.69	.91
Ala.	3.54	4.69	.76	4.04	4.38	.92	4.26	4.64	.92
Miss.	3.55	4.76	.75	3.99	4.37	.91	4.21	4.64	.91
Texas	3.69	4.74	.78	4.31	4.30	1.00	4.75	4.68	1.02
S. Cen. 2/	3.59	4.71	.76	4.04	4.38	.92	4.26	4.68	.91
Idaho	3.52	4.13	.85	3.91	3.93	1.00	4.20	4.12	1.02
Wash.	3.44	4.16	.83	4.01	4.03	.99	4.38	4.36	1.01
Oregon	3.72	4.60	.81	4.37	4.53	.96	4.59	4.75	.97
N. W.	3.50	4.18	.84	3.98	4.01	.99	4.28	4.23	1.01
Colo.	3.29	3.88	.85	4.17	3.70	1.12	4.41	3.83	1.15
Utah	2.83	3.46	.82	3.30	3.40	.97	3.40	3.45	.99
Calif.	3.34	4.01	.83	4.05	3.91	1.04	4.25	4.03	1.05
S. W. 2/	3.27	3.93	.83	3.94	3.82	1.03	4.19	3.98	1.05
U. S. 2/	3.42	4.21	.81	3.91	4.03	.97	4.08	4.22	.97

1/ Preliminary; subject to revision. Prices are for milk of actual butterfat test as reported. All prices are reported as f.o.b. plant.

2/ Includes prices for some States not shown separately.

MILK PURCHASES BY CONDENSERIES, SEPTEMBER 1951, WITH COMPARISONS <sup>1/</sup>

	Unit	Average 1945-49	1950	1951
Purchases, reported total	Pounds	526,527,000	512,037,000	502,320,000
Producers	Number	157,000	159,000	154,000
Average daily purchases per producer	Pounds	111.8	107.3	108.7
Change in purchases per producer 1951 from 1950	Percent	XXXXX	XXXXX	+1.3
1951 from 5-year average	Percent	XXXXX	XXXXX	-2.8

1/ Milk purchased at plants (or their receiving stations) which have canning equipment. In some periods a part or all of the milk received at such plants may be used for purposes other than the manufacture of canned milk.

Purchases of total nonfat dry milk solids during 1951 by the U. S. Department of Agriculture for the purpose of supporting the price of milk totaled 45,414,000 pounds through September 30. Purchases for the month of October through the 23rd of the month were 4,341,000 pounds. These figures do not include purchases of nonfat dry milk solids in 2-pound containers for use in the school lunch program.

Manufacturers' selling prices of total nonfat dry milk solids averaged 14.93 cents for September, compared with 14.70 cents for August, 11.86 cents for September a year earlier, and 13.36 cents during the September 5-year average. Prices of spray-dried nonfat milk solids were

COMMODITY	September 1950 1/	September 1951 1/	Change in September 1951 from		Cumulative total	
			1945-49 average	1950	Jan-Sept 1951	Change from Jan-Sept 1950
	Thousand Pounds		Percent		Thous.lb.	Percent
<b>Evaporated and Condensed Milk</b>						
Evaporated (case goods)	232,600	197,250	-19	-15	2,453,350	+ 4
Condensed whole (case goods)	5,900	4,250	-63	-28	44,835	-10
Plain condensed whole (bulk)	20,500	21,250	+42	+ 4	199,565	+ 5
Plain condensed skimmed (bulk)	44,500	44,700	+ 8	0	425,605	- 4
Sweetened cond. whole (bulk)	4,200	3,000	-40	-29	31,100	-13
Sweetened cond. skimmed (bulk)	17,000	14,000	-52	-18	183,025	+ 3
<b>Dry Milk</b>						
Dry Whole						
Spray process	9,210	6,300	-45	-32	112,250	+28
Roller process	1,190	1,025	-16	-14	10,125	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,400</b>	<b>7,325</b>	<b>-42</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>122,375</b>	<b>+25</b>
<b>Dry Nonfat Solids</b>						
Human food - Spray process	32,400	36,600	+29	+13	447,550	-12
Human food - Roller process	10,500	8,600	-48	-18	140,850	-39
<b>Total (human food)</b>	<b>42,900</b>	<b>45,200</b>	<b>+ 1</b>	<b>+ 5</b>	<b>588,400</b>	<b>-20</b>
Dry skim milk (animal feed)	820	1,150	+ 6	+40	11,265	-37
Dry buttermilk	2,750	3,400	+12	+24	33,960	- 9

1/ Estimates. Subject to revision when enumerations are available for 1950.

MANUFACTURERS' STOCKS OF EVAPORATED, CONDENSED, AND DRY MILK, SEPTEMBER 30 1/

COMMODITY	Average 1945-49	1950 2/	1951	Change in 1951 from	
				1945-49	1950
	Thousand Pounds			Percent	
<b>Evaporated and Condensed Milk</b>					
Evaporated (case goods)	372,249	388,620	501,655	+35	+ 29
Condensed whole (case goods)	11,625	9,409	5,898	-49	- 37
<b>Dry Milk</b>					
Dry Whole					
Spray process	20,769	12,311	25,318	+22	+106
Roller process	273	192	193	-29	+ 1
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,042</b>	<b>12,503</b>	<b>25,511</b>	<b>+21</b>	<b>+104</b>
<b>Dry Nonfat solids</b>					
Human food - Spray process	37,205	29,045	90,843	+144	+213
Human food - Roller process	25,687	13,400	18,595	-28	+ 39
<b>Total (human food)</b>	<b>62,892</b>	<b>42,445</b>	<b>109,438</b>	<b>+74</b>	<b>+158</b>
Dry skim milk (animal feed)	1,303	883	376,096	+368	+590
Dry buttermilk	5,558	5,019	9,907	+78	+ 97

1/ Stocks held by manufacturers at all points, also those in transit and those contracted for sale but not delivered.

2/ Revised to include late reports.

3/ Includes products purchased by manufacturers from the Government.

15.20 cents per pound in September, a gain of approximately one-fourth cent from the preceding month and nearly 3 cents from a year earlier. The average price received for roller-dried non-fat milk solids for September was 13.74 cents, a gain of one-eighth cent from August and slightly over 3 cents from a year earlier. Selling prices of dry skim milk for animal feed averaged 10.60 cents for September compared with 10.43 cents per pound in August and 8.64 cents a year earlier. Dry buttermilk prices for both human and animal feed combined averaged 11.81 cents for September, compared with 11.00 cents in August and 10.08 cents a year earlier.

Manufacturers' selling prices of dry whole milk in 1-2½ pound packages averaged 50.41 cents per pound for September, a decline of about 3½ cents from August, but a gain of more than 7 cents from a year earlier. Dry whole milk in 5-pound packages averaged 48.20 cents per pound compared with 45.49 cents in August and 39.08 cents a year earlier. In miscellaneous large packages, mostly barrels and drums, prices of dry whole milk averaged 37.97 cents for September, a gain of 2.3 cents from August and nearly 5½ cents from a year earlier. Prices in all sizes of packages for September averaged 43.59 cents compared with 44.07 cents in August, 37.67 cents a year earlier, and the 5-year average for September of 42.16 cents.

#### EVAPORATED AND CONDENSED MILK

Evaporated whole milk production for September was the smallest for the month in more than a decade, while manufacturers' stocks and selling prices were the second highest in about 30 years, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

September output of evaporated milk was 197,250,000 pounds, smallest for the month since 1939, down 15 percent from a year earlier and 19 percent from the 5-year September average. Cumulative production for the first 9 months in 1951 totaled 2,453,350,000 pounds, a gain of 4 percent from the same period of 1950. Canned condensed whole milk output, at 4,250,000 pounds, was the smallest for the month since 1938, down 28 percent from a year earlier and 63 percent from the September 1945-49 average. For the first 9 months production totaled 44,835,000 pounds, a decline of 10 percent from the same months of 1950.

(bulk goods)

Production of plain condensed milk products was unchanged to higher than a year earlier, while the production of sweetened products was lower. Production of plain condensed whole milk was 21,250,000 pounds for September, a record high for the month, up 4 percent from a year earlier and 42 percent above the 5-year average for the month. During the first 9 months of 1951, production totaled 199,565,000 pounds, a gain of 5 percent from the same period a year earlier. Output of plain condensed skim milk, at 44,700,000 pounds, was the second highest of record for the month, while only fractionally higher than a year earlier, it was 8 percent above the 5-year average. Production of this item in 1951 through September totaled 425,605,000 pounds, a decrease of 4 percent from the same months of 1950. Output of sweetened condensed whole milk was 3,000,000 pounds for September, lowest for the month since 1944, down 29 percent from a year earlier and 40 percent from the September 5-year average. Cumulative production through September of this year totaled 31,100,000 pounds, a decrease of 13 percent from the same period a year ago. Sweetened condensed skim milk production was 14,000,000 pounds, lowest for the month since 1941, down 18 percent from a year earlier and 52 percent from the September 1945-49 average. Totaling 183,025,000 pounds, production for the first 9 months of 1951 was 3 percent higher than in the same period of 1950.

Manufacturers' stocks of evaporated milk declined contraseasonally during September and at the end of the month were 501,655,000 pounds. These stocks were the second largest of record for the date, having been exceeded only by those of 1948. Present stocks are 29 percent higher than a year earlier and 35 percent above the 5-year average. Holdings of canned condensed whole milk, at 5,898,000 pounds, were the smallest for the date since 1942, down 37 percent from a year earlier and down 49 percent from the 5-year September 30 average.

Manufacturers' selling prices of evaporated milk averaged \$6.06 per case of 48 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ -oz. cans, the second highest price for the month in the past 30 years, down 3 cents from the preceding month but 69 cents higher than a year earlier. This is the eighth month in which prices of sweetened condensed whole milk have remained unchanged. At \$10.80 per case of 48 14-oz. cans, selling prices were the highest of record for the month and were up \$1.50 from a year earlier. Selling prices of all condensed bulk goods products were the highest for the month since 1948, except for sweetened condensed skim milk. Prices of plain condensed whole milk averaged \$13.49 per hundredweight, a gain of 2 cents from the preceding month and of 87 cents from a year earlier. Plain condensed skim milk sold at an average price of \$4.68 per hundredweight for September, unchanged from August but 87 cents higher than a year earlier. Selling prices of sweetened condensed whole milk for September averaged \$16.27 per hundredweight, a gain of 9 cents from August and \$1.89 from a year earlier. Prices of sweetened condensed skim milk averaged \$9.85 per hundredweight, the second highest for the month in 30 years, down 1 cent from the preceding month but \$1.12 higher than a year earlier.

Condensary paying prices for milk of 3.5 percent butterfat during September averaged \$3.46 per hundredweight, a gain of 1 cent from the preceding month and of 56 cents from a year earlier.

Based on actual butterfat test, condenseries paid \$4.08 per hundredweight for milk testing 4.22 percent butterfat, or an average of 97 cents per pound of butterfat. This price per pound of butterfat was unchanged from the preceding month but 16 cents higher than a year earlier. Prices of milk per pound of butterfat by States ranged from 91 cents in Tennessee and Mississippi to as high as \$1.15 in Colorado.

Milk purchased by reporting condenseries totaled 502,320,000 pounds for September and these purchases were made from approximately 154,000 producers. Average daily purchases per producer were 108.7 pounds, a gain of 1 percent from a year earlier but a decline of 3 percent from the 5-year average for the month.