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EVAPORATED, CONDENSED, AND DRY MILK REPORT  
FOR SEPTEMBER 1954

DRY MILK

September production of all nonfat dry milk solids totaled 65,775,000 pounds, second highest of record for the month, 3 percent less than a year earlier, but a gain of 34 percent over the 5-year September average the Agriculture Marketing Service reports. Cumulative production for the first 9 months of 1954, at 1,071,125,000 pounds, was a 9-percent gain from the corresponding period of 1953. This cumulative figure is based on the revised estimates shown on page 6. During the first 9 months of this year, the margin of gain in production over the corresponding month last year showed a 32-percent gain in January, then the margin gradually declined throughout succeeding months, to a 13-percent decrease in August.

Spray-dried nonfat milk output of 55,100,000 pounds in September registered a decline of 4 percent from a year earlier, but a gain of 51 percent from the 1948-52 average for the month. During the first 9 months of 1954 production totaled 861,450,000 pounds, a gain of 12 percent from the same period in 1953. Roller-dried nonfat milk solids output was 10,675,000 pounds, a gain of 5 percent over September last year, but a decline of 15 percent from the September 5-year average. For the period January through September production totaled 209,675,000 pounds, a gain of 1 percent over the same period a year earlier.

Dry whole milk production during September was second lowest for the month since 1941, and at 6,800,000 pounds, showed a decline of 24 percent from a year earlier and 29 percent from the 5-year September average. Cumulative production for the first 9 months of the year totaled 71,660,000 pounds, a decline of 11 percent from the corresponding period in 1953. Output of spray-dried whole milk, at 6,100,000 pounds, registered a decline of 18 percent from a year earlier and 29 percent from the 1948-52 average. For the first 9 months of 1954, production totaled 67,600,000 pounds, a decrease of 8 percent from the same period a year earlier. Roller-dried whole milk production totaled 700,000 pounds for September, a decrease of 53 percent from a year earlier and 28 percent from the 5-year average. Cumulative production of 4,060,000 pounds during the first 9 months was 39 percent less than that of the corresponding months of 1953.

Output during September of dry skim milk for animal feed totaled 850,000 pounds, second lowest of record for the month, down 30 percent from a year earlier, and 28 percent from the 5-year September average. For the period January through September 1954, production totaled 16,250,000 pounds, a decline of 2 percent from the same period a year earlier. Dry buttermilk production during September, at 3,250,000 pounds, was the lowest for the month since 1950 and showed a decline of 6 percent from a year earlier but a gain of 2 percent from the 1948-52 average.

Manufacturers' stocks of total nonfat dry milk solids on September 30 totaled 54,329,000 pounds, lowest for the date since 1950, down 36 percent from a year earlier and 42 percent from the 5-year average for the date. Stocks of spray-dried nonfat milk solids totaled 44,347,000 pounds, a decline of 28 percent from a year earlier and 36 percent from the 5-year average. Roller-dried stocks were the lowest of record for the date and at 9,982,000 pounds, were down 57 percent from 1953 and 60 percent from the 1948-52 average.

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MANUFACTURERS' SELLING PRICES OF DRY MILK SOLIDS DURING SEPTEMBER 1954

Reported shipments (F.O.B. Plant)

NONFAT DRY MILK SOLIDS (Bulk goods)			DRY SKIM	DRY BUTTERMILK (Bulk goods)	
Price 1/	Spray process 2/	Roller process	Animal feed	Price 1/	Human food   Animal feed
Cents	- Pounds -			Cents	- Pounds -
4 - 4½			2,395	5 - 5½	40,000
5 - 5½			4,376	6 - 6½	10,800
6 - 6½			23,000	6½ - 7	13,800
6½ - 7			14,099	7 - 7½	155,625
7 - 7½			3,094	7½ - 8	100,419
7½ - 8			41,710	8 - 8½	72,232
8 - 8½			54,910	8½ - 9	262,235
8½ - 9		1,100	98,260	9 - 9½	86,375
9 - 9½		-	288,591	9½ - 10	42,250
10 - 10½		-	150,211	10 - 10½	13,000
10½ - 11		-	68,349	11 - 11½	13,460
11 - 11½		2,000	64,140	12 - 12½	88,200
12 - 12½		170,191	6,563	13 - 13½	92,800
12½ - 13		146,730	-	14 - 14½	939,025
13 - 13½	181,094	1,845,184	3,152	14½ - 15	144,141
13½ - 14	379,150	3,289,530		15 - 15½	37,535
14 - 14½	1,097,360	4,303,385		16 - 16½	5,900
14½ - 15	6,635,800	1,392,904		17 - 17½	25,800
15 - 15½	17,912,502	28,050		17½ - 18	2,080
15½ - 16	21,933,367	-		18 - 18½	15,000
16 - 16½	7,118,225	94,200			
16½ - 17	386,763				
17 - 17½	2,474,660				
17½ - 18	467,950				
18 - 18½	7,000				
Total	58,593,871	11,273,274	822,850		1,584,941   927,395
Total human	69,867,145				
Grand total		70,689,995			2,512,336

MANUFACTURERS' SELLING PRICES OF DRY WHOLE MILK DURING SEPTEMBER 1954 3/

Reported shipments (F.O.B. Plant)

Price 1/	1-2½ lb. packages	5-lb packages	All other packages, including bbls. & drums	Total reported shipments
Cents	- Pounds -			
28½ - 29½			20,450	20,450
29½ - 30½			22,500	22,500
30½ - 31½			841,246	841,246
31½ - 32½	46,104	12,080	3,955	62,139
32½ - 33½	21,480	28,936	42,675	93,091
33½ - 34½	-	-	235,427	235,427
34½ - 35½	502,241	509,570	41,635	1,053,446
35½ - 36½	-	120,955	1,032,405	1,153,360
37½ - 38½	61,175	-	-	61,175
38½ - 39½	105,540	326,110	-	431,650
39½ - 40½	-	856,175	-	856,175
40½ - 41½	-	6,810	-	6,810
41½ - 42½	-	6,900	41,972	48,872
43½ - 44½	-	4,560	-	4,560
44½ - 45½	4,584	-	-	4,584
45½ - 46½	11,169	-	-	11,169
46½ - 47½	1,223,916	-	-	1,223,916
48½ - 49½	180,819	-	-	180,819
Total	2,157,028	1,872,096	2,282,265	6,311,389

- 1/ Classified according to average monthly prices reported by firms.
- 2/ Excludes spray-dried nonfat dry milk solids sold in retail packages.
- 3/ Includes some dry whole milk in special packages for export.

MANUFACTURERS' AVERAGE SELLING PRICES OF DRY MILK SOLIDS, SEPTEMBER 1954

	Nonfat dry milk solids			Dry skim an. feed	N. F. solids & dry skim	Dry buttermilk			Dry whole milk			Total shipments
	Spray	Roller	Spray and roller			Human food	Animal feed	Human and animal	1-2½ pound pkgs.	5-lb pkgs.	Other pkgs.-1/	
- Cents per pound -												
Sept. 1954	2/15.53	13.88	15.26	9.26	15.19	13.34	8.39	11.51	43.24	38.35	33.80	38.37
Aug. 1954	2/15.40	13.49	15.09	9.23	15.03	13.72	8.45	11.49	42.95	38.12	33.79	39.08
Sept. 1953	15.37	12.49	14.70	8.53	14.63	12.02	7.04	10.36	46.71	40.88	34.71	41.62
Sept. 48-52	14.66	13.17	14.25	10.37	14.20	13.58	9.87	11.53	49.45	44.85	38.01	43.20

1/ Includes barrels and drums.

2/ Excludes spray-dried nonfat milk solids sold in retail packages.

MANUFACTURERS' AVERAGE CARLOT SELLING PRICES OF EVAPORATED WHOLE MILK IN CASES OF 48 14½-OZ. CANS, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS, SEPTEMBER 1954, WITH COMPARISONS 1/

Geographic division	September 1953	August 1954	September 1954
- Dollars -			
New England	5.77	5.52	5.54
Middle Atlantic	5.75	5.52	5.52
South Atlantic	5.79	5.54	5.55
East North Central	5.70	5.44	5.45
West North Central	5.78	5.54	5.54
South Central	5.84	5.62	5.62
North Western	5.93	5.69	5.68
South Western	5.94	5.66	5.66
United States	5.79	5.54	5.55

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.

Prices paid for entire month of September at 15 Midwest condenseries used in determining class prices under the Chicago Milk Marketing Order: Price per cwt. Chicago - \$3.005

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, 1954, through September 25, 1954, averaged for: Cents per pound Spray - 15.29 Roller - 13.42

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Stocks of dry whole milk on September 30 totaled 9,624,000 pounds, lowest for the date since 1941, down 16 percent from a year earlier, and 55 percent from the September 30 average. Spray-dried whole milk stocks totaled 9,582,000 pounds, a decline of 15 percent from 1953 and 55 percent from the 5-year average. Roller-dried stocks, at 42,000 pounds, were down 83 percent from the preceding year and 75 percent from the 5-year average.

Stocks of dry skim milk for animal feed totaled 1,243,000 pounds on September 30, lowest for the date since 1950, down 43 percent from a year earlier and exactly half of the average stocks during the period 1948-52. Dry buttermilk stocks, at 3,901,000 pounds, were lowest for the date since 1943, down 69 percent from a year earlier and 52 percent from the 5-year average.

Purchases of nonfat dry milk solids by the U. S. Department of Agriculture from April 1 through October 26 totaled 388,470,000 pounds. Purchases during September reached 51,405,000 pounds; and for the month of October through the 26th, they totaled 13,004,000 pounds. These purchases were all made for purposes of price support. Due to a temporary shortage of roller-dried nonfat milk solids, the Government sold some of this product back to the trade. During September and October these sales back to the trade amounted to 2,588,000 pounds, most of which were roller process. On October 20, the U. S. Department of Agriculture held approximately 234,327,000 pounds of uncommitted supplies of nonfat dry milk solids.

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AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY CONDENSERIES FOR MILK TO BE USED PRIMARILY FOR EVAPORATED MILK  
DURING SEPTEMBER 1954 1/ WITH COMPARISONS

State and division	September 1953			August 1954			September 1954		
	Price paid per 100 lbs. milk	Butter-fat test	Price per lb. of butter-fat	Price paid per 100 lbs. milk	Butter-fat test	Price per lb. of butter-fat	Price paid per 100 lbs. milk	Butter-fat test	Price per lb. of butter-fat
	Dollars	Pct.	Dollars	Dollars	Pct.	Dollars	Dollars	Pct.	Dollars
Pa.	-	-	-	3.13	3.79	.82	3.25	3.92	.83
M. Atl. 2/	3.31	3.96	.84	3.13	3.79	.83	3.26	3.91	.83
Va.	3.62	4.70	.77	3.14	4.36	.72	3.32	4.52	.73
S. Atl. 2/	3.59	4.56	.79	3.17	4.31	.74	3.34	4.47	.75
Ohio	3.46	4.00	.86	3.11	3.90	.80	3.25	3.98	.82
Ind.	3.71	4.11	.90	3.26	3.95	.83	3.49	4.05	.86
Ill.	3.24	3.71	.87	2.98	3.64	.82	3.06	3.68	.83
Mich.	3.41	3.90	.88	3.10	2.85	.81	3.28	3.96	.83
Wis.	3.54	3.80	.93	3.17	3.72	.85	3.31	3.86	.86
E. N. C.	3.49	3.89	.90	3.14	3.80	.83	3.29	3.91	.84
Iowa	3.27	3.75	.87	3.05	3.76	.81	3.14	3.84	.82
Mo.	3.64	4.39	.83	3.17	4.20	.76	3.34	4.41	.76
Kans.	3.48	4.12	.84	2.95	3.84	.77	3.07	3.96	.77
W. N. C. 2/	3.54	4.19	.85	3.11	4.03	.77	3.25	4.18	.78
Ky.	3.53	4.63	.76	3.17	4.36	.73	3.30	4.52	.73
Tenn.	3.61	4.68	.77	3.15	4.39	.72	3.35	4.56	.73
Ala.	3.59	4.67	.77	3.16	4.30	.73	3.39	4.55	.75
Miss.	3.57	4.67	.76	3.08	4.28	.72	3.31	4.53	.73
S. Cen. 2/	3.59	4.65	.77	3.15	4.35	.73	3.33	4.53	.73
Idaho	3.69	4.01	.92	3.23	3.88	.83	3.40	4.02	.85
Wash.	4.05	4.47	.91	3.34	4.31	.77	3.45	4.47	.77
Oregon	4.04	4.65	.87	3.38	4.44	.76	3.60	4.74	.76
N. W.	3.83	4.21	.91	3.28	4.07	.80	3.43	4.19	.82
Utah	3.01	3.48	.86	2.72	3.40	.80	2.77	3.50	.79
Calif.	3.88	3.96	.98	3.18	3.83	.83	3.34	3.95	.84
S. W. 2/	3.72	3.89	.96	3.12	3.78	.82	3.25	3.89	.84
U. S. 2/	3.57	4.15	.86	3.15	4.00	.79	3.30	4.13	.80

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 PURCHASED BY CONDENSERIES, SEPTEMBER 1954, WITH COMPARISONS 1/

	Unit	Average 1948-52	1953	1954
Purchases, reported total	Pounds	521,223,000	526,216,000	508,759,000
Producers	Number	158,000	155,000	146,000
Average daily purchases per producer	Pounds	109.7	113.2	116.2
Change in purchases per producer:				
1954 from 1953	Percent	XXXXX	XXXXX	+2.7
1954 from 5-year average	Percent	XXXXX	XXXXX	+5.9

1/ Milk purchases 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.

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Manufacturers' sales of total nonfat dry milk solids during September totaled 69,867,000 pounds, a decline of 21 percent from the preceding month and 20 percent from a year earlier. Sales of dry whole milk for September reached 6,311,000 pounds, a decline of 22 percent from August, and 35 percent from September 1953. Dry buttermilk sales for both human food and animal feed combined totaled 2,512,000 pounds, a decline of 24 percent from the preceding month and 30 percent from a year earlier.

Selling prices of total nonfat dry milk solids for September averaged 15.26 cents per pound, compared with 15.09 cents in the preceding month, 14.70 cents a

PRODUCTION OF EVAPORATED, CONDENSED, AND DRY MILK

Commodity	Sept. 1953 <u>1/</u>	Sept. 1954 <u>2/</u>	Changes in Sept. 1954 from		Cumulative total	
			1948-52 average	1953	Jan.-Sept. 1954	Change from Jan.-Sept. 1953
	Thousand pounds		Percent		1,000 lb.	Percent
<u>Evaporated and condensed milk</u>						
Evaporated whole (case goods)	170,504	188,000	-19	+10	2,075,300	0
Condensed whole (case goods)	2,236	1,930	-66	-14	18,645	-45
<u>Dry milk</u>						
Dry whole						
Spray process	7,419	6,100	-29	-18	67,600	-8
Roller process	1,500	700	-28	-53	4,060	-39
<u>Total</u>	8,919	6,800	-29	-24	71,660	-11
Dry nonfat solids						
Human food - Spray process	57,695	55,100	+51	-4	861,450	+12
Human food - Roller process	10,164	10,675	-15	+5	209,675	+1
<u>Total (human food)</u>	67,859	65,775	+34	-3	1,071,125	+9
Dry skim milk (animal feed)	1,214	850	-28	-30	16,250	-2
Dry buttermilk	3,463	3,250	+2	-6	42,460	-8

1/ Preliminary enumerations.

2/ Estimates.

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

Commodity	Average 1948-52	1953 <u>2/</u>	1954	Change in 1954 from	
				1948-52	1953
	- Thousand pounds -			Percent	
<u>Evaporated and condensed milk</u>					
Evaporated whole (case goods)	501,006	481,196	410,168	-18	-15
Condensed whole (case goods)	9,209	5,123	4,762	-48	-7
<u>Dry milk</u>					
Dry whole					
Spray process	21,363	11,265	9,582	-55	-15
Roller process	168	247	42	-75	-83
<u>Total</u>	21,531	11,512	9,624	-55	-16
Dry nonfat solids					
Human food - Spray process	69,252	61,446	44,347	-36	-28
Human food - Roller process	25,142	22,975	9,982	-60	-57
<u>Total (human food)</u>	94,394	84,421	54,329	-42	-36
Dry skim milk (animal feed)	2,471	2,180	1,243	-50	-43
Dry buttermilk	8,063	12,690	3,901	-52	-69

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.

year earlier and 14.25 cents for the September 5-year average. Prices of spray-dried nonfat milk solids averaged 15.53 cents for September, compared with 15.40 cents in the preceding month and 15.37 cents a year earlier. Prices of roller-dried nonfat milk solids averaged 13.88 cents for September, a gain of approximately 0.4 cent from the preceding month and 1.4 cents from a year earlier.

Selling prices of dry skim milk for animal feed for September averaged 9.26 cents, about unchanged from the preceding month but 3/4 of a cent higher than those of a year earlier. Combining both human food and animal feed; prices of dry buttermilk averaged 11.51 cents for September, practically unchanged from the preceding month, but more than 1 cent above that of a year earlier.

Sales of dry whole milk by manufacturers for September averaged 38.37 cents, a decline of 0.7 cent from the preceding month and approximately 3 1/4 cents from a year earlier. In 1-2 1/2 pound packages, prices averaged 43.24 cents, a gain of approximately 0.3 cent from the preceding month, but a decline of 3 1/2 cents from a year earlier. In 5-pound packages, prices averaged 38.35 cents, a gain of approximately

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**DRY MILK PRODUCTION - REVISED ESTIMATES 1954 AND ENUMERATIONS 1953**

DRY NONFAT SOLIDS - Spray Process					DRY NONFAT SOLIDS - Roller Process						
Month	5-yr. av. 1948-52	1953 1/	1954 2/	Change in 1954		Month	5-yr. av. 1948-52	1953 1/	1954 2/	Change in 1954	
				from Av. 1948-52	1953					from Av. 1948-52	1953
- Thousand pounds -					- Thousand pounds -						
- Percent -					- Percent -						
Jan.	36,496	66,554	88,300	+142	+33	Jan.	13,300	13,945	18,250	+37	+31
Feb.	37,787	70,350	87,750	+132	+25	Feb.	14,265	14,675	19,300	+35	+32
Mar.	49,530	88,575	107,800	+118	+22	Mar.	20,455	23,304	27,000	+32	+16
Apr.	59,144	97,739	111,000	+ 88	+14	Apr.	26,535	30,620	29,200	+10	- 5
May	75,372	112,426	125,500	+ 67	+12	May	37,768	39,520	40,500	+ 7	+ 2
June	74,628	108,280	120,500	+ 61	+11	June	36,759	36,743	34,500	- 6	- 6
July	60,846	91,882	95,500	+ 54	+ 2	July	23,767	22,079	18,750	-21	-15
Aug.	48,970	78,779	72,000	+ 47	- 9	Aug.	17,626	17,186	11,500	-35	-33
Sept.	36,540	57,695				Sept.	12,540	10,164			
Oct.	32,087	57,398				Oct.	10,210	9,166			
Nov.	29,394	60,415				Nov.	8,134	8,629			
Dec.	38,999	81,485				Dec.	11,579	15,386			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>579,793</b>	<b>971,578</b>				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>232,938</b>	<b>241,417</b>			

TOTAL DRY NONFAT SOLIDS					SKIM MILK - ANIMAL FEED						
- Thousand pounds -					- Thousand pounds -						
- Percent -					- Percent -						
Jan.	49,796	80,499	106,550	+114	+32	Jan.	1,185	1,080	1,550	+31	+44
Feb.	52,052	85,025	107,050	+106	+26	Feb.	1,180	1,108	1,450	+23	+31
Mar.	69,985	111,879	134,800	+ 93	+20	Mar.	1,529	1,787	1,950	+28	+ 9
Apr.	85,679	128,359	140,200	+ 64	+ 9	Apr.	1,863	2,797	2,200	+18	-21
May	113,140	151,946	166,000	+ 47	+ 9	May	2,450	2,956	2,800	+14	- 5
June	111,387	145,023	155,000	+ 39	+ 7	June	2,510	2,577	2,650	+ 6	+ 3
July	84,613	113,961	112,250	+ 33	- 2	July	1,952	1,733	1,650	-15	- 5
Aug.	66,596	95,965	83,500	+ 25	-13	Aug.	1,537	1,303	1,150	-25	-12
Sept.	49,080	67,859				Sept.	1,179	1,214			
Oct.	42,297	66,564				Oct.	1,035	1,135			
Nov.	37,528	69,044				Nov.	881	977			
Dec.	50,578	96,871				Dec.	978	1,300			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>812,731</b>	<b>1,212,995</b>				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,279</b>	<b>19,967</b>			

DRY WHOLE MILK - Spray Process					DRY WHOLE MILK - Roller Process						
- Thousand pounds -					- Thousand pounds -						
- Percent -					- Percent -						
Jan.	9,098	6,385	5,300	- 42	-17	Jan.	1,163	935	550	-53	-41
Feb.	8,371	6,217	5,650	- 33	- 9	Feb.	1,240	625	295	-76	-53
Mar.	10,343	8,579	5,850	- 43	-32	Mar.	1,140	100	175	-85	+75
Apr.	10,945	7,722	9,850	- 10	+28	Apr.	1,188	450	125	-89	-72
May	13,361	8,793	10,050	- 25	+14	May	1,132	550	450	-60	-18
June	13,300	9,079	10,000	- 25	+10	June	1,019	750	660	-35	-12
July	12,061	9,895	8,350	- 31	-16	July	1,234	800	380	-69	-52
Aug.	10,519	9,398	6,450	- 39	-31	Aug.	1,230	900	725	-41	-19
Sept.	8,600	7,419				Sept.	978	1,500			
Oct.	7,702	7,579				Oct.	1,091	1,450			
Nov.	6,084	6,818				Nov.	719	1,150			
Dec.	7,272	6,518				Dec.	883	740			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>117,656</b>	<b>94,402</b>				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,017</b>	<b>9,950</b>			

TOTAL DRY WHOLE MILK					DRY BUTTERMILK						
- Thousand pounds -					- Thousand pounds -						
- Percent -					- Percent -						
Jan.	10,261	7,320	5,850	- 43	-20	Jan.	3,446	4,807	4,700	+36	- 2
Feb.	9,611	5,842	5,945	- 36	-13	Feb.	3,355	4,437	4,720	+41	+ 6
Mar.	11,483	8,679	6,025	- 48	-31	Mar.	4,195	5,591	5,365	+28	- 4
Apr.	12,133	8,172	9,975	- 18	+22	Apr.	4,385	5,802	4,825	+10	-17
May	14,493	9,343	10,500	- 28	+12	May	5,354	6,515	5,700	+ 6	-13
June	14,319	9,829	10,660	- 25	+ 8	June	5,360	6,143	5,650	+ 5	- 8
July	13,295	10,695	8,730	- 34	-18	July	4,604	5,288	4,700	+ 2	-11
Aug.	11,749	10,298	7,175	- 39	-30	Aug.	3,879	4,151	3,550	- 8	-14
Sept.	9,578	8,919				Sept.	3,171	3,463			
Oct.	8,793	9,029				Oct.	2,818	3,359			
Nov.	6,803	7,968				Nov.	2,749	3,377			
Dec.	8,155	7,258				Dec.	3,198	4,214			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>130,673</b>	<b>104,952</b>				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46,514</b>	<b>57,147</b>			

1/ Enumerations.

2/ revised estimates

EVAPORATED AND CONDENSED MILK PRODUCTION  
Revised Estimates 1954 and Enumerations 1953

Case Goods

Month	EVAPORATED MILK				SWEETENED CONDENSED MILK					
	5-yr. av. 1948-52	1953 <u>1/</u>	1954 <u>2/</u>	Change in 1954 from 1948-52 average		5-yr. av. 1948-52	1953 <u>1/</u>	1954 <u>2/</u>	Change in 1954 from 1948-52 average	
	- Thousand pounds -			- Percent -		- Thousand pounds -			- Percent -	
Jan.	167,545	169,755	163,600	- 2	- 4	6,833	5,016	2,350	-66	-53
Feb.	178,176	159,107	157,400	-12	- 1	7,199	4,241	1,875	-74	-56
Mar.	237,894	202,446	194,900	-18	- 4	8,263	4,191	2,100	-75	-50
Apr.	281,800	243,416	244,100	-13	0	8,205	4,371	2,480	-70	-43
May	382,888	321,136	315,300	-18	- 2	7,710	5,235	1,660	-78	-68
June	372,808	324,765	307,500	-18	- 5	7,438	3,660	1,730	-77	-53
July	315,300	262,856	265,000	-16	+ 1	6,366	2,538	1,950	-69	-23
Aug.	289,499	227,404	239,500	-17	+ 5	6,764	2,313	2,570	-62	+11
Sept.	231,771	170,504	188,000	-19	+10	5,735	2,236	1,930	-66	-14
Oct.	192,978	152,334				5,375	2,859			
Nov.	148,030	152,591				4,771	3,067			
Dec.	152,825	157,437				5,849	1,737			
Total	2,951,514	2,553,751				80,508	41,464			

1/ Enumerations.

2/ Revised estimates.

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$\frac{1}{2}$  cent from the preceding month, but a decline of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  cents from a year earlier. In miscellaneous large packages, mostly barrells and drums, September prices averaged 33.80 cents, unchanged from the preceding month, but 0.9 cent less than that of a year earlier.

EVAPORATED AND CONDENSED MILK

For the third consecutive month, evaporated whole milk production continued to show an increased margin of gain over a year earlier, the Agricultural Marketing Service reports. At 188,000,000 pounds, September evaporated whole milk production was 10 percent higher than a year earlier but 19 percent less than the September 1948-52 average. Cumulative production for the first 9 months of 1954 totaled 2,075,300,000 pounds, a fractional decline from production for the same period last year. These cumulative figures are based on revised estimates, shown above. Production during the past 3 months has been higher than in 1953 and has offset the declines occurring in the first 6 months of this year.

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September output of canned condensed whole milk dropped to 1,930,000 pounds, lowest of record for the month, down 14 percent from a year earlier, and 66 percent from the 5-year September average. Cumulative production for the first 9 months of 1954 totaled 18,645,000 pounds, decreasing 45 percent from the corresponding months of 1953.

Manufacturers' stocks of evaporated milk on September 30 totaled 410,168,000 pounds, lowest for the date since 1950, down 15 percent from a year earlier and 18 percent from the 5-year September 30 average. Stocks of canned condensed whole milk held by manufacturers on September 30 totaled 4,762,000 pounds, lowest of record for the date except for 1942, down 7 percent from a year earlier and 48 percent from the September 30 average.

Manufacturers' selling prices of evaporated whole milk during September averaged \$5.55 per case of 48 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ -ounce cans, a gain of 1 cent from the preceding month, but a decline of 24 cents from a year earlier. Gains from the preceding month by regions ranged from 1 cent in the South Atlantic and East North Central regions to 2 cents in the New England area. Prices remained unchanged in the Middle Atlantic, West North Central, South Central, and South Western regions, but declined 1 cent in the North Western region.

Prices paid producers by condenseries during September for milk testing 4.13 percent butterfat averaged \$3.30 per hundredweight, or an average of 80 cents per pound of butterfat. This price per pound of butterfat increased 1 cent from August but declined 6 cents from September 1953. By States, prices per pound of butterfat during September ranged from 73 cents in Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Mississippi to a high of 86 cents in Indiana and Wisconsin.

Purchases of milk by condenseries from approximately 146,000 producers totaled 508,759,000 pounds during September. The average daily purchase of 116.2 pounds per producer for the month indicated a gain of 3 percent from a year earlier and 5 percent from the 5-year average for September.

NOTE: Attention is called to the revisions of condensed, evaporated and dry milk products for 1954 based on the enumerations for 1953 which are shown on pages 6 and 7.