



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE
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**Minimum Prices for Classes 4a and 4b Market Milk - F.O.B. Processing Plant
With Commodity Prices Used to Calculate These Minimum Prices
Pursuant to the Stabilization and Marketing Plans for Market Milk (Plans)
Released May 1, 2018**

CLASS 4a:			EQUIVALENT PER CWT.
April 2018	LB. FAT	LB. SNF	
Statewide	\$2.4868	\$0.5274	\$13.29
CLASS 4b:			EQUIVALENT PER CWT.
April 2018	LB. FAT	LB. SNF	
Statewide	\$2.4868	\$0.6399	\$14.27
COMMODITY MARKET PRICES:			\$ PER LB.
Chicago Mercantile Exchange Grade AA Butter - Daily Simple Average (March 26th - April 25th)			\$2.2843
Chicago Mercantile Exchange Block Cheddar Cheese - Daily Simple Average (March 26th - April 25th)			\$1.5918
California Extra Grade & Grade A Nonfat Dry Milk - Monthly Weighted Average (March 26th - April 25th)			\$0.7037
Dairy Market News Western Dry Whey (Mostly) - Monthly Simple Average (March 26th - April 25th)			\$0.2625

June 2018 Class 1 prices will be announced no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 10, 2018.
June and July 2018 Class 2 and 3 prices will be announced no later than 4:00 p.m. on June 1, 2018.
May 2018 Class 4a and 4b prices will be announced no later than 4:00 p.m. on June 1, 2018.

Equivalent hundredweight prices shown are based upon milk that is 3.5% fat and 8.7% solids-not-fat (SNF).
If market milk components are purchased f.o.b. producer's dairy location, haul deductions may be made as provided in the Plans. The calculated monthly California weighted average price for Extra Grade & Grade A Nonfat Dry Milk reflects the audit verification process and this price can differ from the reported weekly prices.
Class prices are available on the Department's website at: www.cdfa.ca.gov/dairy/prices_main.html

Sincerely,

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