



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE  
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**Minimum Prices for Class 2, 3, 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 April 2, 2018**

<b>CLASS 2:</b> For April and May 2018	<b>LB. FAT</b>	<b>LB. SNF</b>	<b>EQUIVALENT PER CWT.</b>
Northern California	\$2.3349	\$0.5884	\$13.29
Southern California	\$2.3349	\$0.6151	\$13.52
<b>CLASS 3:</b> For April and May 2018	<b>LB. FAT</b>	<b>LB. SNF</b>	<b>EQUIVALENT PER CWT.</b>
Statewide	\$2.3349	\$0.5827	\$13.24
<b>CLASS 4a:</b> March 2018	<b>LB. FAT</b>	<b>LB. SNF</b>	<b>EQUIVALENT PER CWT.</b>
Statewide	\$2.3885	\$0.5340	\$13.01
<b>CLASS 4b:</b> March 2018	<b>LB. FAT</b>	<b>LB. SNF</b>	<b>EQUIVALENT PER CWT.</b>
Statewide	\$2.3885	\$0.6436	\$13.96
<b>COMMODITY MARKET PRICES:</b>			<b>\$ PER LB.</b>
Chicago Mercantile Exchange Grade AA Butter - Daily Simple Average (February 26th - March 25th)			\$2.2024
Chicago Mercantile Exchange Block Cheddar Cheese - Daily Simple Average (February 26th - March 25th)			\$1.5613
California Extra Grade & Grade A Nonfat Dry Milk - Monthly Weighted Average (February 26th - March 25th)			\$0.7103
Dairy Market News Western Dry Whey (Mostly) - Monthly Simple Average (February 26th - March 25th)			\$0.2519

May 2018 Class 1 prices will be announced no later than 4:00 p.m. on April 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.  
April 2018 Class 4a and 4b prices will be announced no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 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](http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/dairy/prices_main.html)

Sincerely,

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