

Minimum Prices for the Four Types of Milk, by Container Size ¹ December 2016

The minimum price of milk, established by the Department, is the price that dairy processors must pay for milk used to produce dairy products. The table below shows individual prices for the four types of fluid milk by container size and the price changes from the previous month. The prices listed represent the minimum prices paid by processors for the milk only, no other processing costs are included.

Area, Type of Milk	Container Size, In Dollars Per Gallon					
	Gallon	1/2 Gallon	Quart	Pint	1/3 Quart	1/2 Pint
Northern California						
Whole	\$1.653	\$0.826	\$0.413	\$0.207	\$0.138	\$0.103
Reduced Fat 2%	\$1.506	\$0.753	\$0.376	\$0.188	\$0.125	\$0.094
Lowfat 1%	\$1.420	\$0.710	\$0.355	\$0.177	\$0.118	\$0.089
Nonfat (Skim)	\$1.071	\$0.535	\$0.268	\$0.134	\$0.089	\$0.067

Southern California						
Whole	\$1.676	\$0.838	\$0.419	\$0.209	\$0.140	\$0.105
Reduced Fat 2%	\$1.529	\$0.765	\$0.382	\$0.191	\$0.127	\$0.096
Lowfat 1%	\$1.443	\$0.722	\$0.361	\$0.180	\$0.120	\$0.090
Nonfat (Skim)	\$1.095	\$0.548	\$0.274	\$0.137	\$0.091	\$0.068

Type of Milk	Price Changes from the Previous Month					
	Gallon	1/2 Gallon	Quart	Pint	1/3 Quart	1/2 Pint
Whole	\$0.265	\$0.133	\$0.066	\$0.033	\$0.022	\$0.017
Reduced Fat 2%	\$0.294	\$0.147	\$0.074	\$0.037	\$0.025	\$0.018
Lowfat 1%	\$0.317	\$0.159	\$0.079	\$0.040	\$0.026	\$0.020
Nonfat (Skim)	\$0.270	\$0.135	\$0.068	\$0.034	\$0.023	\$0.017

Type of Milk	Price Changes from the Previous Month, Displayed in Cents					
	Gallon	1/2 Gallon	Quart	Pint	1/3 Quart	1/2 Pint
Whole	26.5¢	13.3¢	6.6¢	3.3¢	2.2¢	1.7¢
Reduced Fat 2%	29.4¢	14.7¢	7.4¢	3.7¢	2.5¢	1.8¢
Lowfat 1%	31.7¢	15.9¢	7.9¢	4.0¢	2.6¢	2.0¢
Nonfat (Skim)	27.0¢	13.5¢	6.8¢	3.4¢	2.3¢	1.7¢

¹ Assumes Whole Milk is 3.5% fat, 8.7% SNF, 8.6lb/gallon; Reduced Fat is 2% Fat, 10% SNF, 8.65 lb/gallon; Lowfat is 1% Fat, 11% SNF, 8.69 lb/gallon; Skim Milk is 0.1% Fat, 9% SNF, 8.63 lb/gallon.