

Minimum Prices for the Four Types of Milk, by Container Size ¹ October 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	\$1.528	\$0.764	\$0.382	\$0.191	\$0.127	\$0.096
Reduced Fat 2%	\$1.336	\$0.668	\$0.334	\$0.167	\$0.111	\$0.083
Lowfat 1%	\$1.217	\$0.609	\$0.304	\$0.152	\$0.101	\$0.076
Nonfat (Skim)	\$0.885	\$0.443	\$0.221	\$0.111	\$0.074	\$0.055
Southern California						
Whole	\$1.552	\$0.776	\$0.388	\$0.194	\$0.129	\$0.097
Reduced Fat 2%	\$1.360	\$0.680	\$0.340	\$0.170	\$0.113	\$0.085
Lowfat 1%	\$1.241	\$0.620	\$0.310	\$0.155	\$0.103	\$0.078
Nonfat (Skim)	\$0.909	\$0.455	\$0.227	\$0.114	\$0.076	\$0.057

Type of Milk	Price Changes from the Previous Month					
	Gallon	1/2 Gallon	Quart	Pint	1/3 Quart	1/2 Pint
Whole	-\$0.030	-\$0.015	-\$0.007	-\$0.004	-\$0.002	-\$0.002
Reduced Fat 2%	-\$0.001	-\$0.001	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000
Lowfat 1%	\$0.018	\$0.009	\$0.005	\$0.002	\$0.002	\$0.001
Nonfat (Skim)	\$0.028	\$0.014	\$0.007	\$0.004	\$0.002	\$0.002

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	-3.0¢	-1.5¢	-0.7¢	-0.4¢	-0.2¢	-0.2¢
Reduced Fat 2%	-0.1¢	-0.1¢	0.0¢	0.0¢	0.0¢	0.0¢
Lowfat 1%	1.8¢	0.9¢	0.5¢	0.2¢	0.2¢	0.1¢
Nonfat (Skim)	2.8¢	1.4¢	0.7¢	0.4¢	0.2¢	0.2¢

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.