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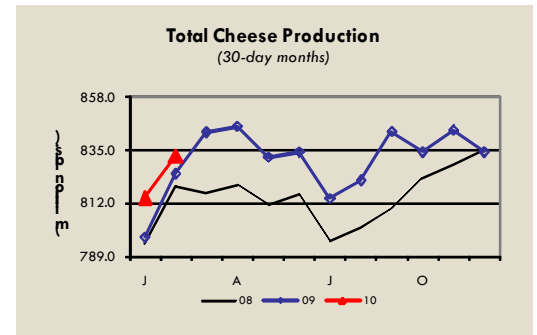
February cheese production up 1.0%

Milk futures were mixed ahead of the extended holiday weekend. Blocks were bid up 3¢ but nothing sold. The price has increased 16¢ in the last seven days. Buyers of barrels were less aggressive, bidding the price up half a cent, getting a sale, and then not pushing any further.

Spot NDM prices were bid higher as well; Grade A closed at \$1.2250 and Extra Grade at \$1.1650. *Dairy Market News* reports Western NDM at mostly \$1.09-\$1.14, up about 8¢ in the last four weeks. "Buyer interest remains fair to good for the current offerings from the producer levels, which are trending lower as a result of recent sales activity," says *DMN*.

Total cheese production increased seasonally in February. Output was 777.2 million lbs., up 1.0% from a year ago, according to USDA's "Dairy Products" report released this afternoon. Butter production was down 3.1% and NDM/SMP production was down 4.5%.

NASS dairy product prices for the week ending March 27: cheddar blocks \$1.3019 (-3.25¢ vs. the prior week); barrels \$1.2895 (-1.23¢); butter \$1.4511 (-0.58¢); nonfat dry milk \$1.0534 (+0.88¢); dry whey 36.89¢ (-0.14¢). **cme group**



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FUTURES & OPTIONS VOLUME AND OPEN INTEREST →

Futures Volume and Open Interest

	Volume	Open Interest
Class III [25 Pit, 1403 Electronic]	1,428	32,355
Class IV	0	207
NDM (cash settle)	37	977
Dry whey	26	2,195
Butter (cash settle)	85	3,615

Options Volume and Open Interest

	Volume	Open Interest
Class III	938	53,398
Class III midi	1	453
Dry whey	0	588
Butter (cash settle)	0	94

Futures and options volume and open interest from previous trading day.

SPOT PRICES (with change, in cents, from previous day): Block cheese \$1.4300 (+3.00) • Barrel cheese \$1.3750 (+0.50) • AA Butter \$1.4950 (+0.25) • NDM Extra Grade \$1.1650 (+1.50) • NDM Grade A \$1.2250 (+2.50) **MILK PRICES** (with change, in dollars, from previous month): February Class III milk (USDA) \$14.28 (-\$0.22) • February Class IV milk (USDA) \$12.90 (-\$0.95)

April 1 Trading Activity

	Class III Futures				Class III Options Calls		Class III Options Puts		Dry Whey Futures		NDM Futures		Butter Futures – Cash settle	
	Settle (\$)	chg. (¢)	volume	open interest	Settle (\$)	chg. (¢)	Settle (\$)	chg. (¢)	Settle (¢)	chg. (¢)	Settle (¢)	chg. (¢)	Settle (¢)	chg. (¢)
MAR10	12.78	NC	8	4119	13.00 @ 0.00	NC	12.75 @ 0.00	NC	37.580	NC	105.000	NC	144.000	NC
APR	12.72	+8	209	4728	12.75 @ 0.08	-3	12.50 @ 0.03	-7	34.000	NC	109.000	NC	147.500	+0.500
MAY	13.28	+9	432	4616	13.50 @ 0.21	+3	13.25 @ 0.29	-5	32.500	+0.500	111.000	NC	149.500	+1.250
JUN	14.00	+4	302	3854	14.00 @ 0.53	+2	14.00 @ 0.53	-2	32.000	NC	120.000	NC	150.750	+0.250
JUL	14.49	NC	188	2731	14.50 @ 0.62	-1	14.25 @ 0.51	NC	32.000	NC	120.000	+1.000	153.250	NC
AUG	14.80	-3	95	2704	15.00 @ 0.64	-2	14.75 @ 0.70	NC	31.500	NC	121.000	NC	154.000	NC
SEP	15.08	-6	58	2545	15.25 @ 0.73	-3	15.00 @ 0.76	+2	33.750	NC	122.000	NC	157.500	+0.500
OCT	14.94	-11	45	2342	15.00 @ 0.84	-6	14.75 @ 0.77	+4	32.500	NC	121.000	NC	157.100	+0.100
NOV	14.87	-4	35	2287	15.00 @ 0.81	-2	14.75 @ 0.81	-1	32.500	NC	122.500	NC	158.750	NC
DEC	14.59	-4	23	2147	14.75 @ 0.83	-2	14.50 @ 0.85	+1	31.500	NC	117.030	NC	159.000	NC
JAN11	14.47	NC	1	118	14.50 @ 0.93	-1	14.25 @ 0.84	NC	29.520	NC	112.000	NC	159.000	NC
FEB	14.37	NC	18	61	14.50 @ 0.92	-1	14.25 @ 0.92	NC	29.070	NC	111.000	NC	160.000	NC

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