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CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION

Creamery butter production in February, estimated at 95,615,000 pounds, was 5 percent less than in February 1968, the Crop Reporting Board reports. Seasonally, production decreased 10 percent from January to February this year on a calendar basis, compared with 7 percent at this time a year earlier. On a daily-average basis, however, output in February was almost the same as in January, and was only 2 percent smaller than in February 1968 because of the 29-day month last year. U.S. milk production in February is estimated at 8,795 million pounds: 4 percent less than a year earlier. Daily average production this February, however, was only 1 percent lower than in February 1968.

Compared with February 1968, butter production was less in the Central Regions, but was more in the remainder of the country. Output was 7 percent less in the West North Central Region and 15 percent smaller in the East North Central. A 1-percent decline was shown in the South Central States. Production was up 2 percent in the Mountain States and 19 percent in the Pacific. Output was 22 percent larger in the North Atlantic Region and 161 percent greater in the South Atlantic. In the three leading-producing states, production was off 3 percent in Minnesota, 17 percent in Wisconsin, and 12 percent in Iowa. All North Central States showed decreases. Output was sharply higher in Vermont, Pennsylvania, Maryland, the other South Atlantic States, Kentucky, Mississippi, California, and Utah.

Seasonal decreases from January to February in all regions varied from 2 percent in the South Atlantic to 16 percent in both the North Atlantic and the South Central. Production declined 8 percent in the West North Central Region and 10 percent in the East North Central. Output decreased 15 percent in the Mountain States and 13 percent in the Pacific. Production declined 5 percent in Minnesota, 8 percent in Wisconsin, and 11 percent in Iowa. Production decreased in all important-producing states except Maryland, where it gained slightly, and Vermont, where it held steady. Production advanced on a daily-average basis however, in Vermont, Ohio, Wisconsin, Minnesota, South Dakota, Kentucky, Wyoming, and California.

PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER, BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES 1969

MONTH	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED		CHANGE FROM
	1967	1968	1969	1968
		Thousand Pounds		Percent
January	110,703	107,805	106,290	- 1
February	102,981	100,685	95,615	- 5
TWO MONTH TOTAL	213,684	208,490	201,905	- 3
March	111,684	108,610		
April	120,069	113,905		
May	128,357	124,430		
June	126,434	116,530		
July	102,660	100,135		
August	85,634	81,540		
September	75,181	70,225		
October	83,731	77,710		
November	82,174	77,790		
December	92,959	92,370		
TWELVE MONTH TOTAL	1,222,567	1,171,735		

CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION, BY STATES, FEBRUARY 1969

STATE AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED			CHANGE FROM:	
	FEBRUARY 1967	FEBRUARY 1968	JANUARY 1969	FEBRUARY 1969	FEB. 1968	JAN. 1969
		Thousand Pounds			Percent	
Vermont	636	330	780	780	+ 136	0
New York	4,965	3,130	3,870	3,080	- 2	- 20
Pennsylvania	1,452	1,095	1,960	1,705	+ 56	- 13
Other N.A. States ..	15	10	10	5	- 50	- 50
N. ATLANTIC STATES	7,068	4,565	6,620	5,570	+ 22	- 16
Ohio	1,644	1,610	1,610	1,520	- 6	- 6
Indiana	2,398	2,130	2,300	1,700	- 20	- 26
Illinois	2,465	2,460	2,510	2,210	- 10	- 12
Michigan	2,383	2,370	2,450	2,110	- 11	- 14
Wisconsin	20,377	20,500	18,600	17,100	- 17	- 8
E. N. CENTRAL STATES	29,267	29,070	27,470	24,640	- 15	- 10
Minnesota	28,206	29,050	29,780	28,300	- 3	- 5
Iowa	10,229	10,130	9,990	8,940	- 12	- 11
Missouri	2,174	2,250	2,380	2,015	- 10	- 15
North Dakota	2,402	2,630	2,430	2,020	- 23	- 17
South Dakota	2,863	3,080	2,800	2,580	- 16	- 8
Nebraska	3,520	3,250	3,390	3,010	- 7	- 11
Kansas	1,680	1,685	1,680	1,470	- 13	- 12
W. N. CENTRAL STATES	51,074	52,075	52,450	48,335	- 7	- 8
Maryland	718	470	1,330	1,340	+ 185	+ 1
Other S.A. States ..	112	145	310	265	+ 83	- 15
S. ATLANTIC STATES	830	615	1,640	1,605	+ 161	- 2
Kentucky	1,264	1,235	1,540	1,445	+ 17	- 6
Tennessee	1,020	1,060	1,500	1,095	+ 3	- 27
Mississippi	251	210	310	250	+ 19	- 19
Oklahoma	1,379	1,720	1,650	1,490	- 13	- 10
Texas	856	540	580	475	- 12	- 18
Other S.C. States ..	433	345	470	315	- 9	- 33
S. CENTRAL STATES	5,203	5,110	6,050	5,070	- 1	- 16
Montana	242	220	255	215	- 2	- 16
Idaho	2,002	2,040	2,200	1,870	- 8	- 15
Wyoming	134	115	130	120	+ 4	- 8
Colorado	416	530	640	540	+ 2	- 16
Utah	456	575	950	790	+ 37	- 17
Other Mt. States ...	5	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNTAIN STATES	3,255	3,480	4,175	3,535	+ 2	- 15
Washington	1,338	1,000	1,255	850	- 15	- 32
Oregon	730	950	1,030	860	- 9	- 17
California	4,216	3,820	5,600	5,150	+ 35	- 8
PACIFIC STATES	6,284	5,770	7,885	6,860	+ 19	- 13
UNITED STATES	102,981	100,685	106,290	95,615	- 5	- 10

American cheese production in the United States in February is estimated at 88,015,000 pounds, the Crop Reporting Board reports. This was 7 percent smaller than in February 1968. Production declined 4 percent seasonally from January to February this year, compared with only 1 percent between these months last year.

AMERICAN CHEESE PRODUCTION, BY STATES, FEBRUARY 1969

STATE AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED			CHANGE FROM:	
	FEBRUARY 1967	FEBRUARY 1968	JANUARY 1969	FEBRUARY 1969	FEB. 1968	JAN. 1969
		Thousand Pounds			Percent	
New York	2,719	1,860	2,460	2,660	+ 43	+ 8
Other N.A. States ..	625	400	570	500	+ 25	- 12
N. ATLANTIC STATES	3,344	2,260	3,030	3,160	+ 40	+ 4
S. ATLANTIC STATES 1/	315	230	290	240	+ 4	- 17
Ohio	908	790	690	690	- 13	0
Indiana	1,176	1,050	1,200	1,100	+ 5	- 8
Illinois	935	930	990	920	- 1	- 7
Michigan	1,292	1,390	810	920	- 34	+ 14
Wisconsin	46,047	48,000	46,700	44,550	- 7	- 5
E. N. CENTRAL STATES	50,358	52,160	50,390	48,180	- 8	- 4
Minnesota	7,563	8,750	8,510	8,110	- 7	- 5
Iowa	6,623	5,600	4,980	4,770	- 15	- 4
Missouri	6,093	5,460	4,930	4,760	- 13	- 3
North Dakota	2,108	2,120	2,320	2,360	+ 11	+ 2
South Dakota	2,590	2,760	2,840	2,590	- 6	- 9
Nebraska	1,256	1,395	1,430	1,310	- 6	- 8
Kansas	1,987	1,750	1,800	1,750	0	- 3
W. N. CENTRAL STATES	28,220	27,835	26,810	25,650	- 8	- 4
Kentucky	2,867	2,660	2,360	2,320	- 13	- 2
Tennessee	1,790	1,910	1,730	1,690	- 12	- 2
Alabama	335	185	210	220	+ 19	+ 5
Mississippi	857	565	530	380	- 33	- 28
Arkansas	807	510	310	560	+ 10	+ 81
Oklahoma	370	540	450	390	- 28	- 13
Texas	730	895	405	520	- 42	+ 28
S. CENTRAL STATES 1/	7,761	7,270	6,265	6,085	- 16	- 3
Montana	213	135	250	200	+ 48	- 20
Idaho	2,907	2,480	2,600	2,605	+ 5	0
Utah	820	695	1,070	960	+ 38	- 10
Other Mt. States ...	86	45	0	0	- 100	0
MOUNTAIN STATES	4,026	3,355	3,920	3,765	+ 12	- 4
Washington	362	450	410	330	- 27	- 20
Oregon	690	650	390	490	- 25	+ 26
California	136	100	105	115	+ 15	+ 10
PACIFIC STATES	1,188	1,200	905	935	- 22	+ 3
UNITED STATES	95,212	94,310	91,610	88,015	- 7	- 4
Cumulative Total	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>		<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>	
January - February	195,828	189,120	xxx	179,625	- 5	xxx

1/Regional totals include production for states not shown separately.

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On a daily-average basis, however, production increased 6 percent from January this year. With the 29-day leap year month in 1968, the daily average increased also 6 percent.

Compared with February 1968 changes in production by regions were mixed. Output was 8 percent smaller in the important East North Central Region, where it was 7 percent less in Wisconsin. Production was 8 percent smaller also in the West North Central Region, and 16 percent lower in the South Central. Output was 40 percent greater in the North Atlantic Region and 4 percent more in the South Atlantic. In the West, production was 12 percent more in the Mountain States, but 22 percent less in the Pacific. In the North Central Regions, increases were shown only in Indiana and North Dakota, while all other states except Kansas had decreases.

Compared with January, production decreased in all regions except the North Atlantic, where it increased 4 percent, and the Pacific, where it gained 3 percent. Decreases varied from 3 percent in the South Central Region to 17 percent in the South Atlantic. All the other regions showed declines of 4 percent. Output declined 5 percent in Wisconsin. Daily-average production increased, however, in all regions except the South Atlantic, and in all important-producing states except Mississippi, Oklahoma, Montana, Utah, and Washington.

Production of miscellaneous or foreign-type cheese, excluding cottage and full-skim American in February, estimated at 49,990,000 pounds, was fractionally more than in February 1968. Gains in Cream cheese, Italian, and Blue Mold slightly outweighed losses in the other types. Production declined 10 percent from January to February, due to decreases in all types.

PRODUCTION OF CHEESE, BY VARIETIES, FEBRUARY 1969

TYPES	ENUMERATED	ESTIMATED			CHANGE FROM:	
	FEBRUARY 1967	FEBRUARY 1968	JANUARY 1969	FEBRUARY 1969	FEB. 1968	JAN. 1969
TOTAL-AMERICAN TYPES <u>1/</u>	95,212	94,310	91,610	88,015	- 7	- 4
		Thousand Pounds			Percent	
Swiss	8,890	10,480	10,190	9,175	- 12	- 10
Brick & Munster .	4,279	3,875	4,475	3,800	- 2	- 15
Limburger	225	235	310	210	- 11	- 32
Cream	8,931	8,095	10,445	9,065	+ 12	- 13
Neufchatel	345	375	355	310	- 17	- 13
Italian	21,650	22,495	25,355	23,095	+ 3	- 9
Blue Mold	1,386	1,445	1,645	1,585	+ 10	- 4
All Other <u>2/</u>	2,591	2,890	2,945	2,750	- 5	- 7
TOTAL-Misc. Types	48,297	49,890	55,720	49,990	0	- 10
TOTAL ALL VARIETIES <u>3/</u>	143,509	144,200	147,330	138,005	- 4	- 6
Cumulative Total	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>		<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>	
January - February	296,026	293,150	xxx	285,335	- 3	xxx

1/Whole milk cheese including Cheddar, Colby, Washed Curd, Monterey, and Jack cheese.

2/Includes part-skim American types. 3/Does not include full-skim American and Cottage cheese.