



Dairy - Low dairy prices continue to curb milk production growth in the U.S. During October, U.S. milk output was just .8% bigger than the previous year due to a 1.1% gain in milk per cow yields and a .3% smaller milk cow herd. Milk farmers reduced the herd during the month by a net 2,000 head making it the smallest since February 2017. Recent milk cow slaughter has been strong which suggests that milk production expansion should be tempered through the end of the year. The cheese markets remain at deflated levels. The butter market usually moves lower in December.

Description	Market Trend	Supplies	Price vs. Last Year
Cheese Barrels (CME)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Cheese Blocks (CME)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
American Cheese	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Cheddar Cheese (40 lb)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Mozzarella Cheese	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Provolone Cheese	Steady	Good	Same
Parmesan Cheese	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Butter (CME)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Nonfat Dry Milk	Decreasing	Ample	Higher
Whey, Dry	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Class 1 Base	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Class II Cream, heavy	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Class III Milk (CME)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Class IV Milk (CME)	Decreasing	Good	Higher

