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Dairy - The cheese markets have found some support over the last week. CME Class IV milk futures have risen notably and are now carrying a premium over their equivalent Class III milk futures through at least next year. This encourages milk supplies to go to butter manufacturing instead of cheese production. It's likely that the cheese markets are near (or already have set) a long-term bottom. The spot butter market has been seasonally declining this month due in part to fulfilled holiday orders. Since 2015, the average move for the spot butter market during this week and next was down 9.9%.

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

