



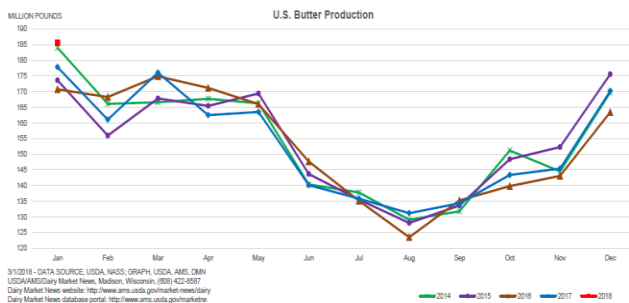
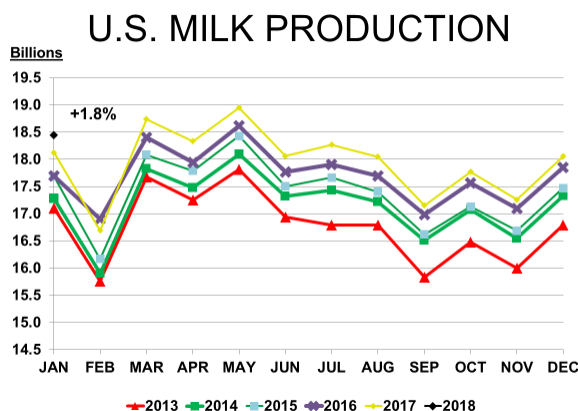
Class IV Market News and Summary

March 1, 2018

The February Class IV price was \$12.87cwt. Down \$0.26 cwt. from last month. Class IV projection for March is \$13.35 cwt.

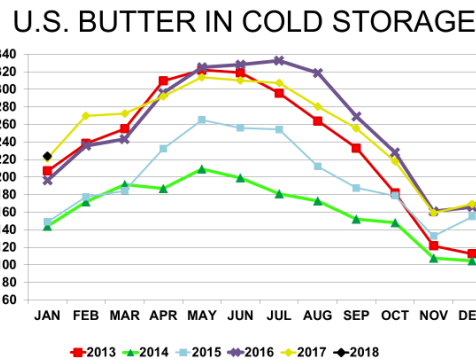
The February Class III price was \$13.40 cwt. Down \$0.60/cwt. from last month. Class III projection for March is \$13.90 cwt.

Milk production in the 23 major States during January totaled 17.3 billion pounds, up 1.8 percent from January 2017. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,979 pounds for January, 24 pounds above January 2017. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.74 million head, 49,000 head more than January 2017, and 4,000 head more than December 2017. 2017 Annual Milk Production up 1.4 Percent from 2016



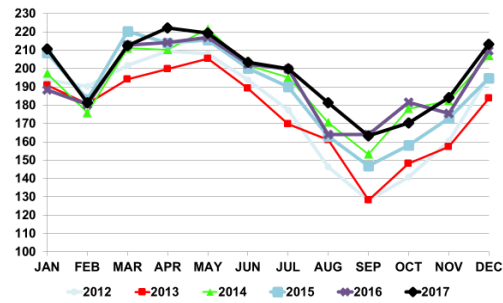
Butter production for January was 185.5 million pounds of product, 4.3% more than in the same month a year ago.

Butter storage at the end of January is running .3 million pounds more than last year's January position. The inventory level the end of January looks in line with expectations. The inventory level represents about 5 weeks' worth of production.

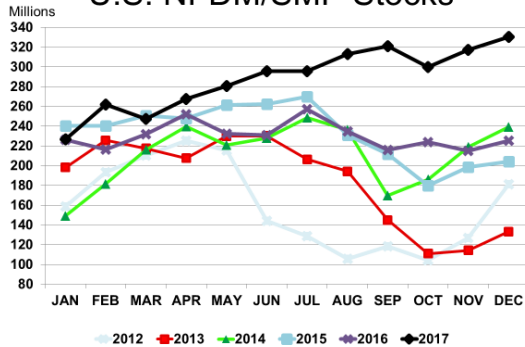


Dry milk Production (comparisons in percentage with January 2017) Nonfat dry milk, human was 162 million pounds, up 5.4 percent. Skim milk powder production was 45.8 million pounds, down 17.2 percent. Total production of 207.8 million pounds.

Skim/NFDM Production

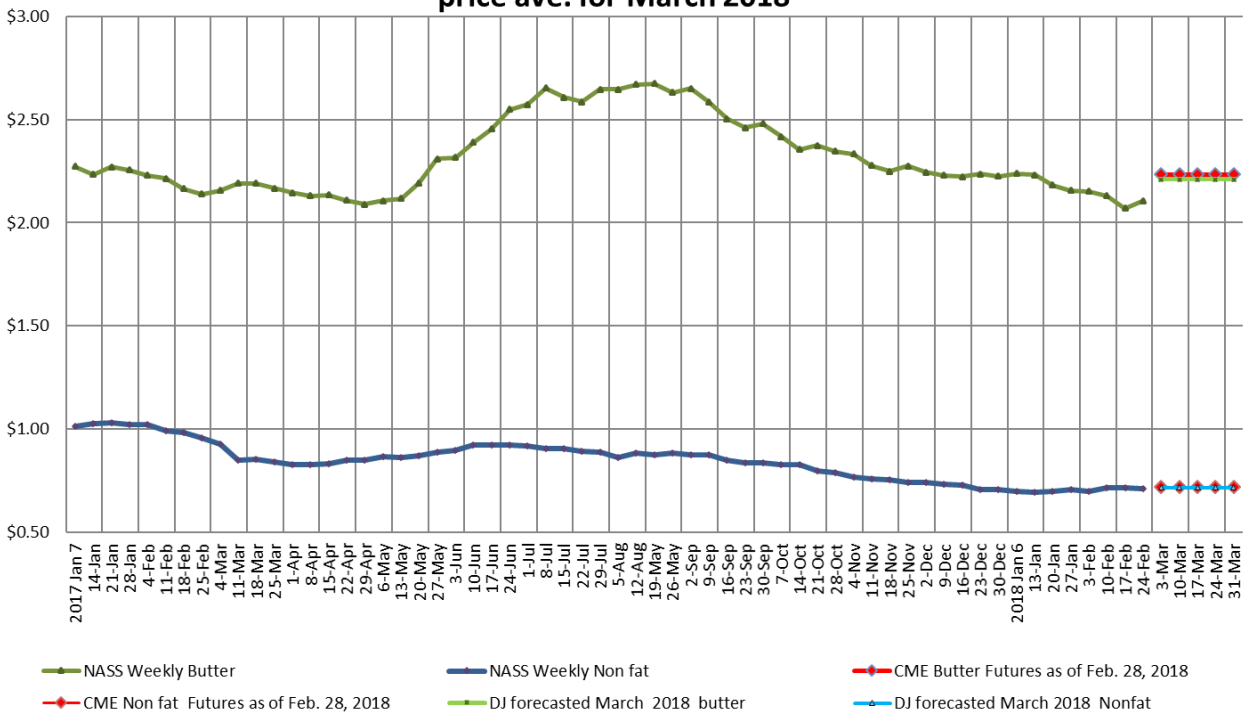


U.S. NFDM/SMP Stocks



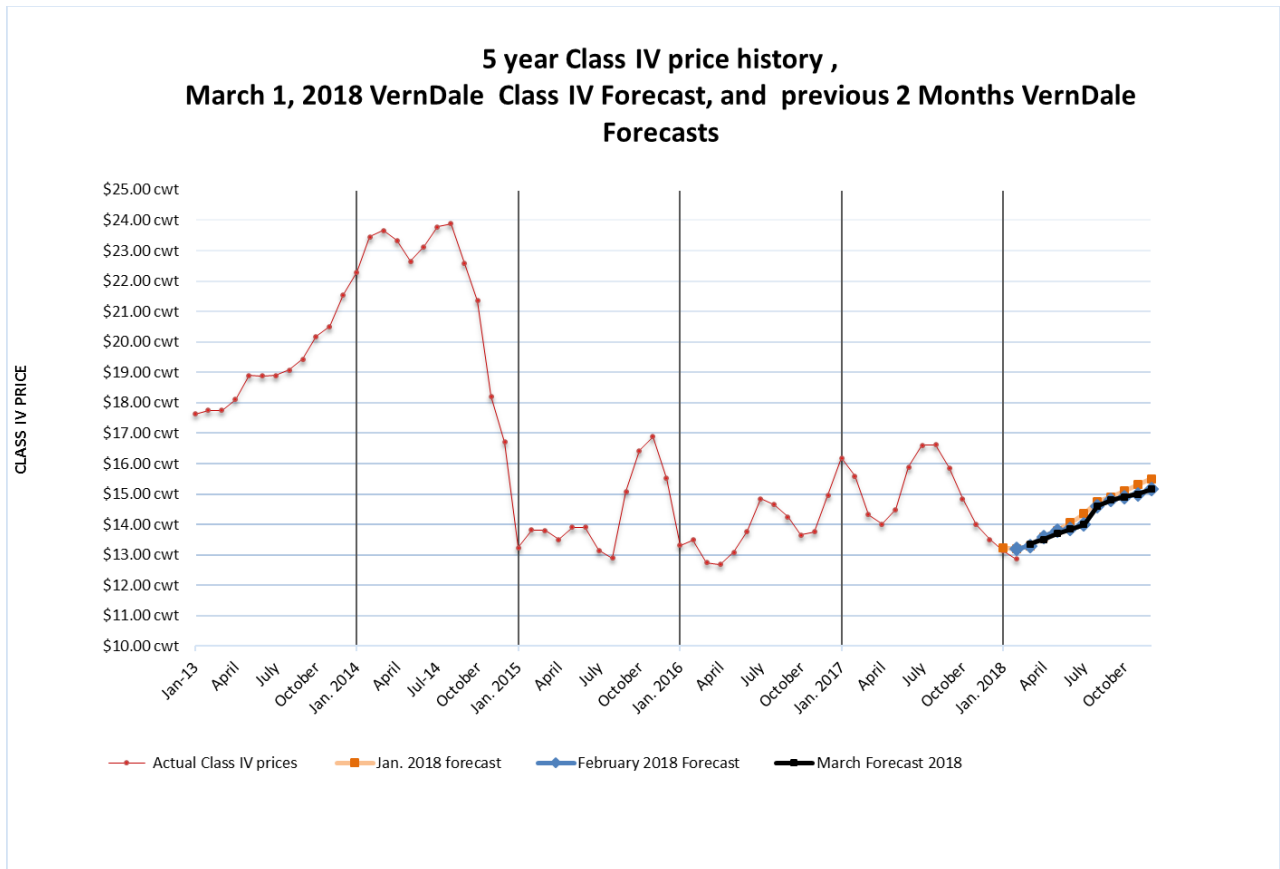
Dry milk powders Stocks for December are 330.4 Million lbs. Up 46% from December 2016, and up 4 percent from last month.

Weekly NASS butter and nonfat powder prices Jan 2017- Feb. 2018, and CME Futures, and VernDale, forecasted Butter and Nonfat powder price ave. for March 2018



Projected Class IV prices as March 1, 2018

Year	Month	Projected classIV price
2018	March	\$13.35
2018	April	\$13.50
2018	May	\$13.70
2018	June	\$13.85
2018	July	\$14.00
2018	August	\$14.60
2018	September	\$14.80
2018	October	\$14.90
2018	November	\$15.00
2018	December	\$15.15



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