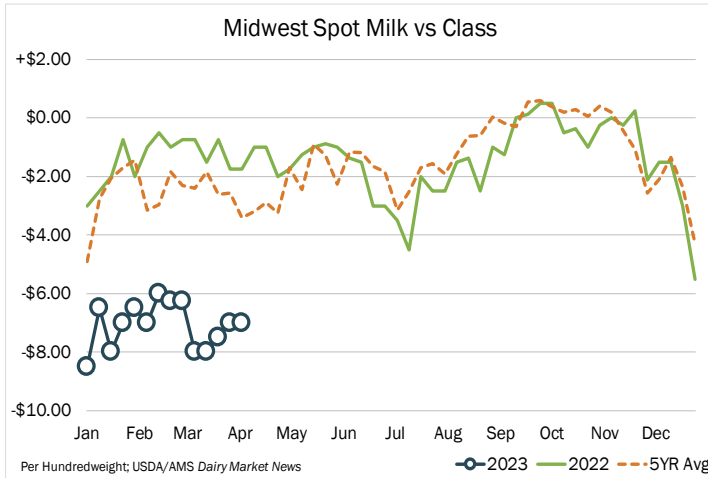
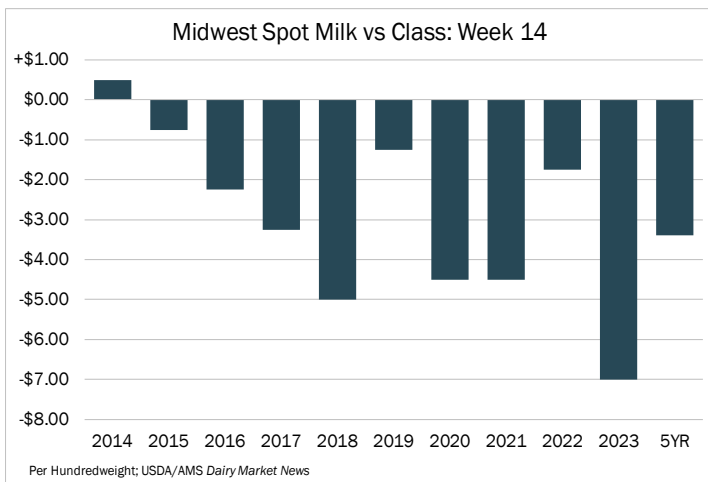


# MILK PREMIUMS

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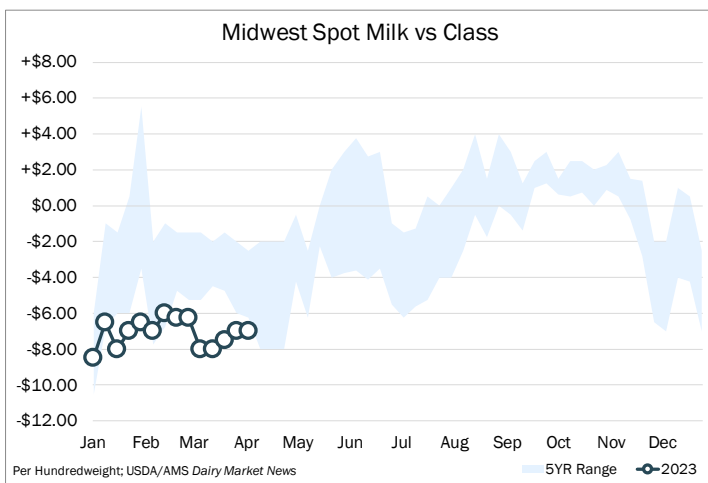


Midwest Spot	
This Week	- \$7.00
Last Week	- \$7.00
Last Year	- \$1.75
5-Year Avg	- \$3.40



## Here is what USDA/AMS had to say:

**MIDWEST:** More late season snowfalls, over a foot in some areas, affected some upper Midwest and Northern Plains farms over the weekend. Despite this, farm milk output is only continuing to inch up week to week, as contacts say spring flush is looming. Spring flush's seasonal milk availability for end users did not need any seasonal demarcation, as milk has been widely accessible throughout the winter. Milk handlers in the areas effected by snow say they worked to shift milk and cream out of those specific areas. Bottlers continue to chip away at the overall milk pool, but cheesemakers in the upper Midwest continue to take on higher volumes of spot milk at prices as low as \$11 under Class III. Due to some processing plant downtime in the upper Midwest, milk availability expectations are not expected to change in the upcoming weeks for Class III processors.





**EAST:** Northeastern farm level milk production is increasing. Market contacts have reported that some bottling orders were paused for the week due to spring break school closures. Some dryer difficulties persist, and condensed skim is readily available as milk volumes are not being drawn upon for drying. Additionally, some labor shortages at cheese and butter plants have freed up more milk and cream supplies. In the Mid-Atlantic states, farm level milk production is steady to stronger. Bottling orders are unchanged. In the Southeast and in Florida, farm level milk output is level. Bottling orders are steady. Milk supplies are more than adequate to meet the region's manufacturing needs. Some processing plants have been running below full capacity due to labor shortages, equipment upgrades, or scheduled time off heading into the holiday weekend .

**WEST:** In California, farm level milk output is mixed. Some regional areas keep strong to steady milk production. However, other regional areas remain having steady to lighter milk production as flooding and overflowing rivers impact dairy operations. Reports of dairies continuing to relocate herds to higher and drier paddocks is noted from industry sources. Milk volumes are available for bottling and production needs throughout the state. Reductions in processing capacity for the Central Valley area remain noted by contacts, causing challenges with balancing supply and demand to continue. Some transportation delays continue as use of alternative routes are still needed in regionally flooded areas. Contacts note spot load purchases and sales at below Class prices. Class I demand remains lighter as educational facilities continue through their respective spring break schedules, while demand for all other Classes is unchanged. Farm level milk output is steady in Arizona. Temperatures reached the 80s in the state this week. Throughout the state milk volumes are available. Some open capacity continues to be reported by stakeholders, which remains being filled with out of state milk volumes. These spot load purchases and sales are noted at below Class prices by contacts. Demand for all Classes is steady. In New Mexico, farm level milk output is steady. Temperatures got up to the 70s this week in the state. Milk volumes for bottling and production needs are available throughout the state. Demand for all Classes is unchanged. Farm level milk output in the Pacific Northwest is strong. Plenty of milk volumes are available throughout the state for bottling and processing needs. Manufacturers report heavier to balanced milk volumes compared to current production needs. Class I demand is lighter as some educational facilities still have upcoming spring breaks. All other Classes have steady demand. Contacts note spot load sales and purchases at below Class prices. Milk production in the mountain states of Idaho, Utah, and Colorado is strong to steady. Colorado got some temperatures down into the 20s this week, but impact on milk production was minimal. Milk volumes are available throughout the area. Class I demand is lighter as educational facilities throughout the mountain states cycle through regional spring breaks. Demand for all other Classes is steady. Contract and spot market sales of condensed skim milk are steady to light.

