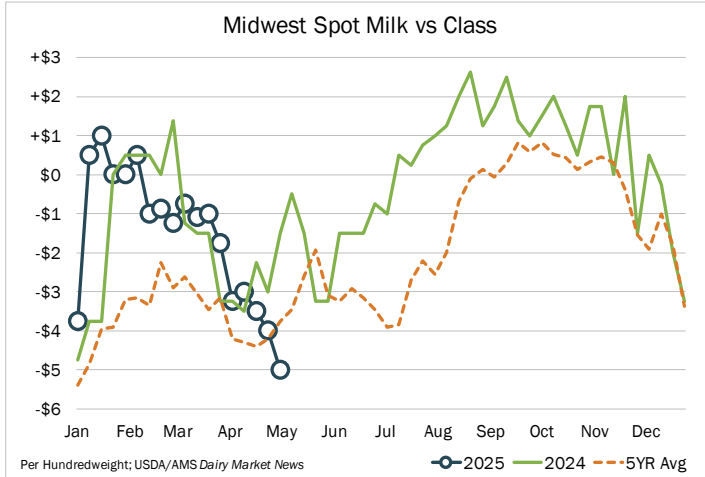
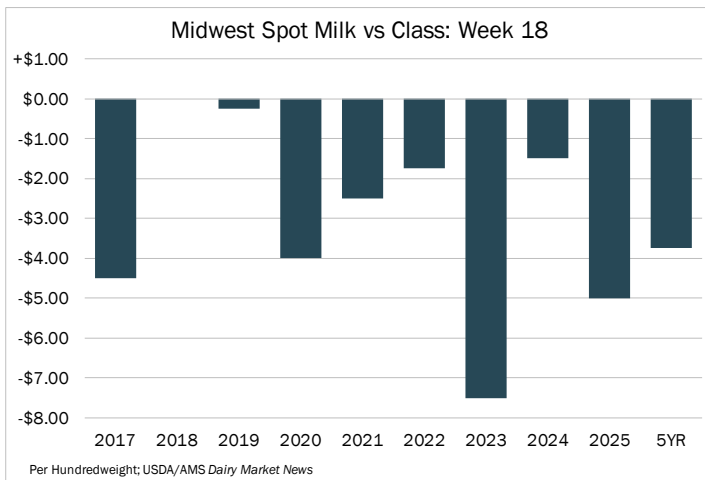


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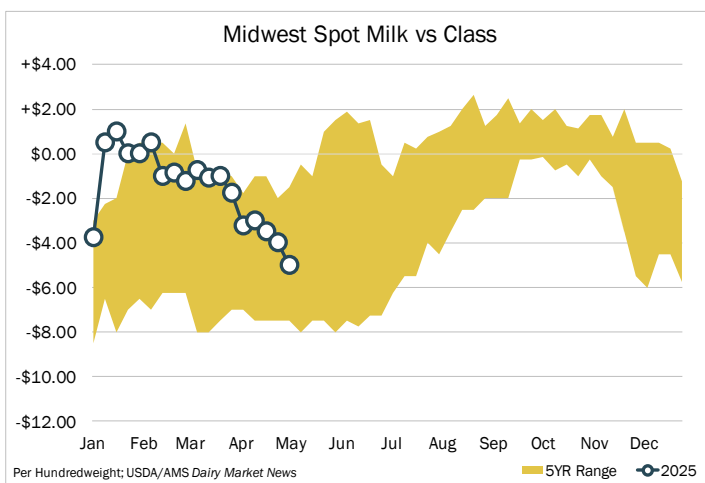


Midwest Spot			
	Low	High	Midpoint
This Week	-\$7.00	-\$3.00	-\$5.00
Last Week	-\$7.00	-\$1.00	-\$4.00
Last Year	-\$2.00	-\$1.00	-\$1.50
5-Year Avg	-\$11.00	\$0.00	-\$3.75



Here is what USDA/AMS had to say:

MIDWEST: In the Central region, contacts say milk output is strong, and some suggest volumes are up compared to a year ago. Contacts say increased milk volumes this year compared to last year are highlighted in the decline in spot milk prices year over year. This week, spot milk prices range from \$7-under Class to \$3-under Class III, down from \$2 to \$1 under Class III a year ago. Spring flush is contributing to increased availability for bottlers and end users. As the end of the school year approaches, bottling demand is declining. Some manufacturers in the region are moving milk from these bottling plants to cheese processing or drying operations. Butter makers continue to purchase cream to run busy production schedules and build inventories for use later in 2025. Ice cream producers are purchasing cream at a higher tilt as they prepare for increased summer demand.





EAST: Milk production in the Northeast remains strong as spring flush continues. In the Southeast, production is steady. Class I milk demand is holding steady. Spot milk remains available with little activity. Cream demand is mixed between commodities. Ice cream and cream cheese are slower than anticipated this time of year. Contacts mentioned that cream cheese production is lower than normal due to lackluster sales during the Spring holidays. Ice cream production is slower than expected but should increase as the months get warmer. Butter production remains very active with churns running daily. Milk demand for Class III is strong. Cheese production is elevated currently to replace inventories due to strong sales. Condensed skim remains readily available and inventories are growing. Sales for condensed skim are flat.

WEST: Milk production in California is seasonally strong. However, handlers indicate milk production gains are ticking down week to week, and milk production has generally passed peak spring volumes. Central Valley manufacturers convey milk volumes remain well balanced with processing capacities and are meeting planned production needs. All Class demands are steady. According to the California Department of Water Resources, as of April 29, 2025, the state received 21.31 inches of precipitation for the current 2024-25 Water Year, which is 0.10 inch below the historical mean. In Arizona, farm level milk output varies from steady to lighter, as some handlers convey spring production peaks were reached and in the rearview mirror. Class I, II, III, and IV demands are steady. Milk production in New Mexico varies from steady to lighter as well. All Class manufacturing demands are unchanged. In the Pacific Northwest, milk production is steady. Manufacturers convey milk intakes to generally be in line with anticipated volumes for the last couple weeks of April. Milk volumes are meeting manufacturing needs. Demands for all Classes are steady. Farm level milk output in the mountain states of Idaho, Utah, and Colorado varies from steady to lighter. Handlers in Colorado indicate milk production is at or near the peak of spring output volumes. Colorado stakeholders note milk volumes are well balanced with processing capacities. Handlers in Idaho and Utah indicate milk production is at or past the peak of spring output volumes. Idaho and Utah stakeholders note milk volumes are meeting manufacturing needs. All Class demands are unchanged.

