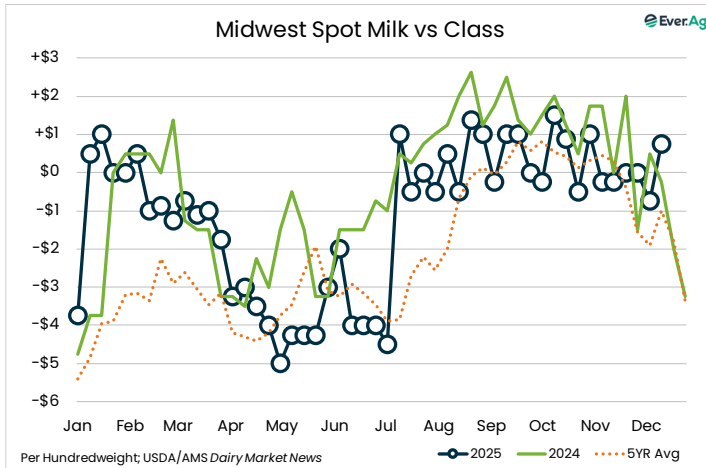
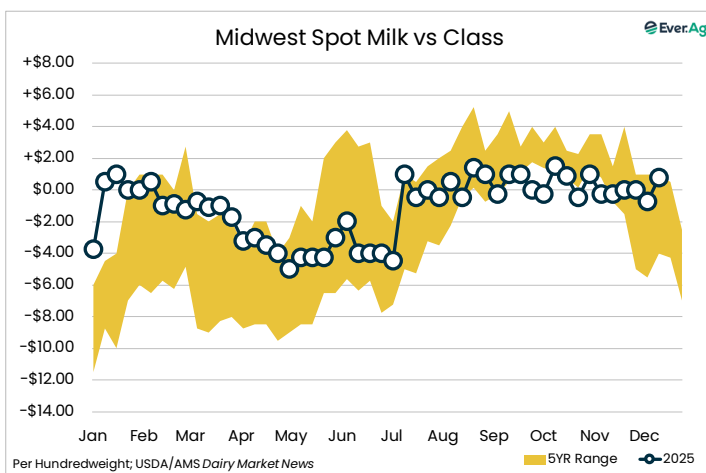
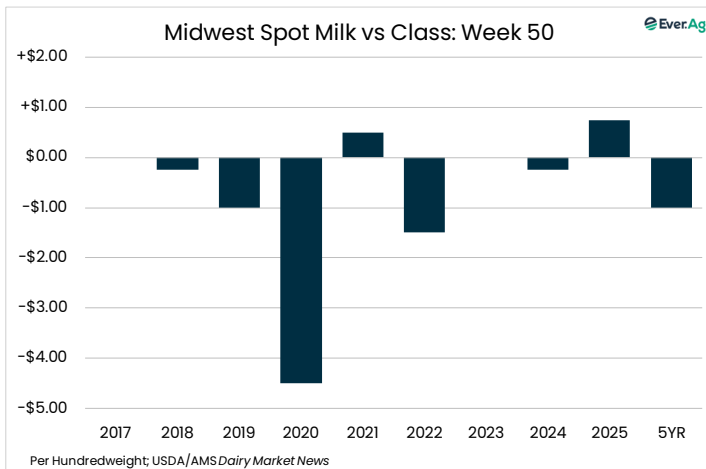


# MILK PREMIUMS

December 11, 2025



Midwest Spot			
	Low	High	Midpoint
This Week	-\$2.00	+\$3.50	+\$0.75
Last Week	-\$2.00	+\$0.50	-\$0.75
Last Year	-\$3.00	+\$2.50	-\$0.25
5-Year Avg	-\$6.00	+\$2.50	-\$1.00



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

**MIDWEST:** Winter weather is negatively impacting milk output in the Midwest, but contacts say production is steady in the Southwest. Demand for Class I milk is strong, and some cheesemakers say they continue to sell spot loads of milk to bottling operations. Class II demand is steady. Spot Class III trading is more active this week. Contacts report some cheesemakers continue to sell spot volumes at below-Class prices to nearby processors, due to downtime. A winter storm is forecast to hit the Midwest later this week and last into the weekend. Some cheesemakers say this has contributed to increased demand for Class III milk, as some processors were looking for additional spot loads ahead of potential transportation disruptions. These factors contributed to the bottom of the Class III spot milk price range holding steady at \$2-under, but the top increasing to \$3.5-over this week. Class IV demand is steady in the Central region.



**EAST:** In the East region, milk availability for the spot market remains tight. Daily farm output is seasonally strong, and many manufacturers are experiencing a final increase of production before the holiday season. Bottling facilities are finalizing orders for educational institutions before the winter break ensues. Contacts report Class I demand will begin to slow next week, leaving more milk available for the spot market. Class II demand for cream in the Northeast is slow. Milk demand for Class II is steady. Class III production is steady to strong. Manufacturers are prepared for a larger availability of milk as the holidays draw near. Many cheese makers are also purchasing spot loads of condensed skim to fortify production. Class IV production is steady to strong.

**WEST:** California handlers report steady or lighter week over week milk production. Some manufacturers note milk intakes are slightly below anticipated volumes for the first part of the month. December 2025 year over year milk production is up significantly. Some dairy producers note fat components continue to be strong. Stakeholders convey balancing plants continue to run full schedules and homes are being found for spot milk loads. Farm level milk output in Arizona and New Mexico is generally steady. Pacific Northwest handlers note warmer than typical winter temperatures thus far are contributing to steady milk production. Manufacturers convey milk intakes are at anticipated volumes. Dairy commodity production facilities that started receiving milk deliveries as of this year continue to gear up towards running at full capacities. Week over week milk production is mixed in the mountain states of Idaho, Utah, and Colorado. Some stakeholders note tighter spot milk load availability. All Class demands are steady throughout the region.

