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Nonfat Dry Milk - Western U.S.

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In the West, the price range for low/medium heat nonfat dry milk (NDM) held steady at the top, while moving lower at the bottom. The mostly price shifted lower, falling by \$0.01 at the bottom and by \$0.005 at the top. Certain indexes used for pricing trended lower this week, putting downward pressure on NDM prices. Demand for low/medium heat NDM has held steady in domestic markets. Contacts report that some international purchasers have become hesitant to buy at current, higher, market prices. Inventories available for spot purchasing are tight. Milk availability is limited, as production has declined seasonally. Due to this, low/medium heat NDM production is slowing as some plant managers are, reportedly, unable to obtain enough supplies to run full schedules. The price range for high heat NDM has shifted lower at the bottom, while the top is unchanged. High heat inventories are tight on the spot market, but remain in balance with current, limited, market demands. Production of high heat NDM is limited; plant managers are focusing their drying time on the production of low/medium heat NDM.

Prices for: Western U.S., All First Sales, F.O.B., Extra Grade & Grade A, Conventional, and Edible Nonfat Dry Milk

Price Range - Low & Medium Heat; \$/LB:	1.2875 - 1.4075
Mostly Range - Low & Medium Heat; \$/LB:	1.3200 - 1.3500

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Price Range - High Heat; \$/LB:	1.4275 - 1.5425
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