



## Whey Protein Concentrate - Central and West U.S.

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Whey protein concentrate 34% (WPC 34%) prices moved higher in most facets this week, as higher prices were seen across the range and at the bottom of the mostly price series. Contacts report WPC 34% is competitively priced compared to alternative dairy proteins and say this is contributing to strong demand from animal feed end users. Bullish markets for whey protein concentrate 80% and whey protein isolate have caused manufacturers to shift their production towards these commodities. Due to this, production of WPC 34% is limited. Contacts report robust interest and softer production of WPC 34% in recent weeks have contributed to tightening warehouse inventories. Spot purchasers say some WPC 34% manufacturers of preferred brands have sold all their loads through the end of the year, but loads of WPC 34% which are more interchangeable remain available for purchasing.

### Prices for: Central and Western U.S., All First Sales, F.O.B., Extra Grade, Conventional, and Edible Whey Protein Concentrate

Price Range - 34% Protein; \$/LB:	.8700 - 1.1000
Mostly Range - 34% Protein; \$/LB:	.9000 - .9800

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