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Cheese - Northeastern U.S.

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Milk supplies are abundant in the Eastern states. Persistent dryer challenges within the region have freed up condensed skim milk supplies that would have been processed into nonfat dry milk. Plant managers report robust production schedules, with some contacts saying they have manufactured more cheese than expected due to milk availability. Market prices for cheese blocks on industry cash exchanges reached \$1.7975 last Wednesday and have increased to \$1.9250 as of reporting. Last Friday's close showed a 1 cent difference of block over barrel pricing, but that gap has expanded during trading this week. Retail and food service demands are noted to be steady. Inventories are steady to increasing. In the Northeast, wholesale cheese prices for both cheddar and muenster are down \$0.0825, but process cheese prices are up \$0.1350. Grade A Swiss prices are unchanged.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES: DELIVERED  
DOLLARS PER POUND(MIXED LOTS (1000-5000 POUNDS))

Cheddar 40 pound Block	2.2975-2.5850
Muenster	2.2850-2.6350
Process American 5 pound Sliced	1.8000-2.2800
Swiss 10-14 pound Cuts	3.7625-6.0850

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U.S. CHEESE AND CURD EXPORTS (USDA-FAS)

	2023 Exports (Million Lb.)	% Change From 1 Year Ago
TOTAL, JAN	75.0	+ 16
Exports - Destination Country		
1 Mexico	20.2	+ 21
2 South Korea	10.6	- 8
3 Japan	8.3	+ 35
4 Australia	6.9	+ 25
5 Guatemala	2.9	+ 90

U.S. CHEESE AND CURD IMPORTS (USDA-FAS)  
(Imports for Consumption)

	2023 Imports (Million Lb.)	% Change From 1 Year Ago
January Imports		
TOTAL Cheese and Curd (H.S. Code 0406)	30.5	+ 4
Cheese, Except Fresh (H.S. Code 040690)	26.0	+ 4
Fresh Cheese (H.S. Code 040610)	2.3	+ 66
Cheese, Processed (H.S. Code 040630)	1.5	- 15
Cheese, Blue-Veined (H.S. Code 040640)	0.6	- 31
	2023 Imports (Million Lb.)	% Change From 1 Year Ago
TOTAL, JAN	30.5	+ 4
Imports - Country of Origin		
1 Italy	7.0	...
2 France	3.3	- 22
3 Netherlands	2.3	+ 76
4 Spain	2.1	+ 42
5 Ireland	1.6	+ 69

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