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Cheese - Northeastern U.S.

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Milk is readily available in the Eastern region. Manufacturers are operating strong production schedules despite persistent regional labor shortages. Market prices for cheese blocks on industry cash exchanges reached \$1.96 last Wednesday but have decreased to \$1.91 as of reporting. Some market contacts have reported that cream cheese production and demand has increased in recent weeks. Demand for Italian-type cheeses remains stronger than cheddar. Retail and food service demands are steady. In the Northeast, wholesale cheese prices for both cheddar and Muenster are up \$0.0575, and process cheese prices are up \$0.0200. Grade A Swiss prices are unchanged this week.

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

Cheddar 40 pound Block	2.4025-2.6900
Muenster	2.3900-2.7400
Process American 5 pound Sliced	1.6700-2.1500
Swiss 10-14 pound Cuts	3.8200-6.1425

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This week, a cooperative export assistance program accepted requests for export assistance on contracts to sell 456,000 pounds (207 metric tons) of American-type cheese and 84,000 pounds (38 metric tons) of cream cheese. So far this year, the program has assisted member cooperatives who have contracts to sell 10.7 million pounds of American-type cheeses and 1.3 million pounds of cream cheese in export markets.

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