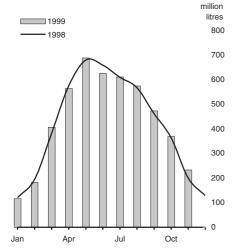


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Milk Intake



Milk Statistics November 1999

Milk intake	1998	1999	% change
	millic	on litres	
Nov	200.6	233.1	16.2%
Jan-Nov	4,816.0	4,845.0	0.6%

Milk intake up 16.2% in November

Milk intake by Creameries and Pasteurisers was estimated as 233.1 million litres for November 1999. This was 16.2% above the corresponding 1998 figure. See graph.

The average fat content for April 1999 to November 1999 was 3.7%.

Milk intake for April to November in the quota year 1999/2000 was 0.5% above the milk intake figure for the same period in the previous year.

Comparing the November 1999 milk produce figures with those for November 1998 shows that (see Table 1):

- Total milk sold for human consumption remains the same at 43.9 million litres.
- Butter production was up 43.8% to 6,900 tonnes.

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Table 1 Milk Statistics

Category	Year	Unit	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Milk intake by creameries and pasteurisers	1997 1998 1999	million litres	127.6 120.4 115.7	197.5 195.0 182.1	384.1 382.3 406.8	640.3 575.5 564.3	726.3 680.0 689.0	674.4 659.5 625.5	660.7 609.8 611.0	559.6 567.8 574.9	447.8 461.9 473.4	357.5 363.2 ¹ 369.2	200.6 200.6 233.1	128.2 128.4	5,104.7 4,944.4
Fat content	1997 1998 1999	percent	3.76 3.67 3.77	3.56 3.61 3.68	3.52 3.57 3.62	3.44 3.55 3.58	3.46 3.49 3.52	3.50 3.55 3.54	3.54 3.60 3.60	3.65 3.68 3.71	3.82 3.87 3.89	4.02 4.08 4.11	4.01 4.06 4.12	3.81 3.88	3.61 3.67
Total milk sold for human consumption	1997 1998 1999	million litres	43.0 44.2 43.8	41.5 40.9 39.7	44.6 45.3 45.0	44.1 44.8 43.8	46.0 45.2 44.4	43.5 44.2 44.6	46.1 47.0 45.4	46.2 47.5 45.7	44.7 46.2 44.1	45.6 46.9 44.9	44.0 43.9 43.9	43.7 47.1	533.0 543.2
of which: Whole milk sales	1997 1998 1999	million litres	35.7 36.5 35.3	34.3 33.7 32.0	36.9 37.0 36.1	36.3 35.8 35.2	37.8 36.8 35.6	35.8 36.2 35.9	38.2 38.4 36.5	38.3 38.8 36.8	36.8 37.7 35.5	37.6 38.2 36.1	36.2 35.8 35.2	36.2 38.3	440.2 443.2
Skimmed & semi- skimmed milk sales	1997 1998 1999	million litres	7.3 7.7 8.5	7.2 7.2 7.7	7.8 8.3 8.8	7.8 9.0 8.6	8.2 8.4 8.8	7.7 8.0 8.8	7.9 8.6 8.9	7.9 8.6 8.9	7.8 8.5 8.6	8.1 8.7 8.8	7.7 8.1 8.7	7.5 8.8	92.8 99.9
Butter	1997 1998 1999	'000 tonnes	2.0 2.5 2.5	3.5 3.7 3.6	9.3 8.7 10.7	16.8 14.7 15.1	20.1 16.3 18.4	19.0 18.4 17.8	18.9 18.0 17.4	15.9 16.2 15.5	13.9 13.7 13.0	11.1 10.4 ¹ 10.4	5.2 4.8 6.9	3.0 3.8	138.6 131.1
Skimmed milk powder	1997 1998 1999	'000 tonnes	1.5 1.8 2.0	3.9 2.1 3.0	4.7 4.5 7.0	13.9 9.1 10.2	16.5 15.4 12.2	17.5 13.5 11.2	14.7 13.6 11.4	11.1 12.5 11.1	7.2 8.2 6.5	4.5 4.8 3.5	3.2 1.8 3.0	2.8 3.6	101.6 90.9
Cheese	1997 1998 1999	'000 tonnes	2.3 1.7 1.2	4.3 2.9 2.3	5.7 8.1 8.8	11.2 11.4 15.0	13.9 12.9 15.0	13.3 12.7 15.1	12.4 11.6	9.5 10.4	9.2 10.7	7.4 8.4	4.3 3.4	3.2 1.1	96.7 95.3

¹ Revised

Background Notes

Coverage	The monthly milk and milk products inquiry is a census of all creameries and pasteurisers. Information on cheese production is provided by the monthly industrial production inquiry also carried out by the CSO.
Milk intake by creameries and pasteurisers	Whole milk purchased by creameries and pasteurisers from producers through collection depots and separating stations including whole milk obtained from herds owned by the creameries and pasteurisers. The fat content of the whole milk is also collected. To convert milk intake from million litres to '000 tonnes use the following formula:
	1 tonne liquid milk = 971.164 litres.
Milk Quota	The milk quota year is from April to March. For the 1999/2000 milk quota year an adjustment will be made to the milk intake figure if the overall fat content exceeds 3.58 per cent. The formula for the adjustment is given below:
	Milk Intake (adjusted) = $\{1+(Fat Content - 3.58)(0.18)\}$ *Milk Intake (unadjusted)
Skimmed milk	Milk with less than or equal to 0.3% fat content.
Semi-skimmed milk	Milk with between 1.5% and 1.8% fat content.
Skimmed milk powder	Milk powder with not more than 1.5% milk fat content.
Related releases	The CSO publishes an annual supply balance sheet relating to milk and milk products.
EU	Milk intake by creameries and pasteurisers '000 tonnes

Country	Jan-Jun 1998	Jan-Jun 1999	% change
European Union	58,989	59,360	0.6
Austria	1,217	1,286	5.7
Belgium	1,730	1,715	-0.9
Denmark	2,248	2,244	-0.2
Finland	1,240	1,223	-1.4
France	12,339	12,407	0.6
Germany	13,774	13,622	-1.1
Greece	281	269	-4.4
Ireland	2,690	2,660	-1.1
Italy	5,241	5,312	1.4
Luxembourg	132	134	1.2
Netherlands	5,528	5,476	-0.9
Portugal	888	945	6.3
Spain	2,759	2,880	4.4
Sweden	1,680	1,694	0.8
United Kingdom	7,241	7,493	3.5

Source: New Cronos database, Eurostat