

Before the Board of Milk Control of the State of Montana
Announcement of Class I, II & III Producer Prices Effective March 01, 2024

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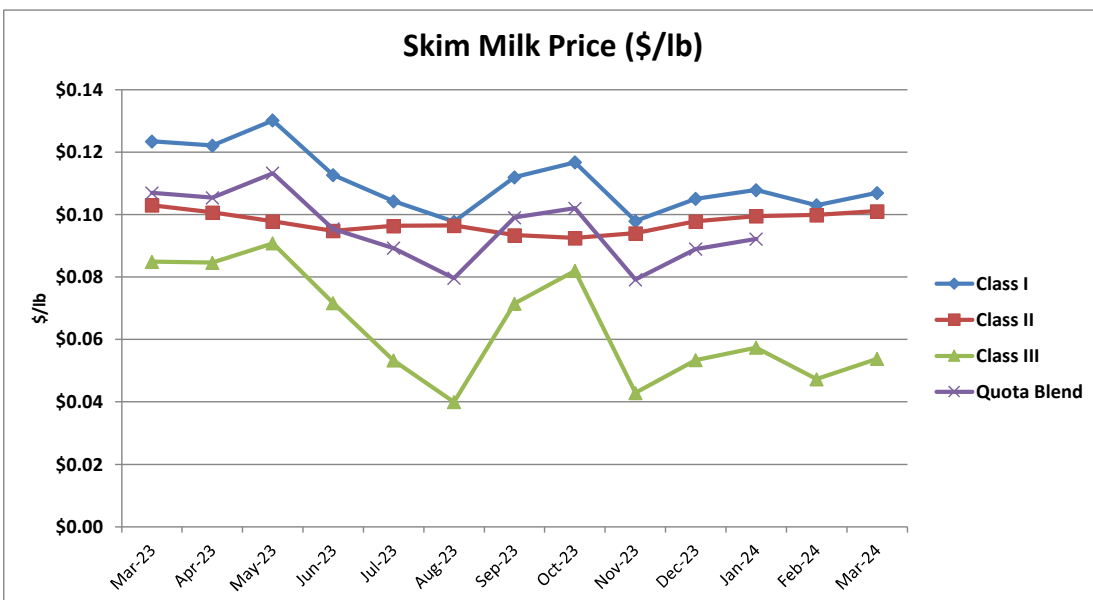
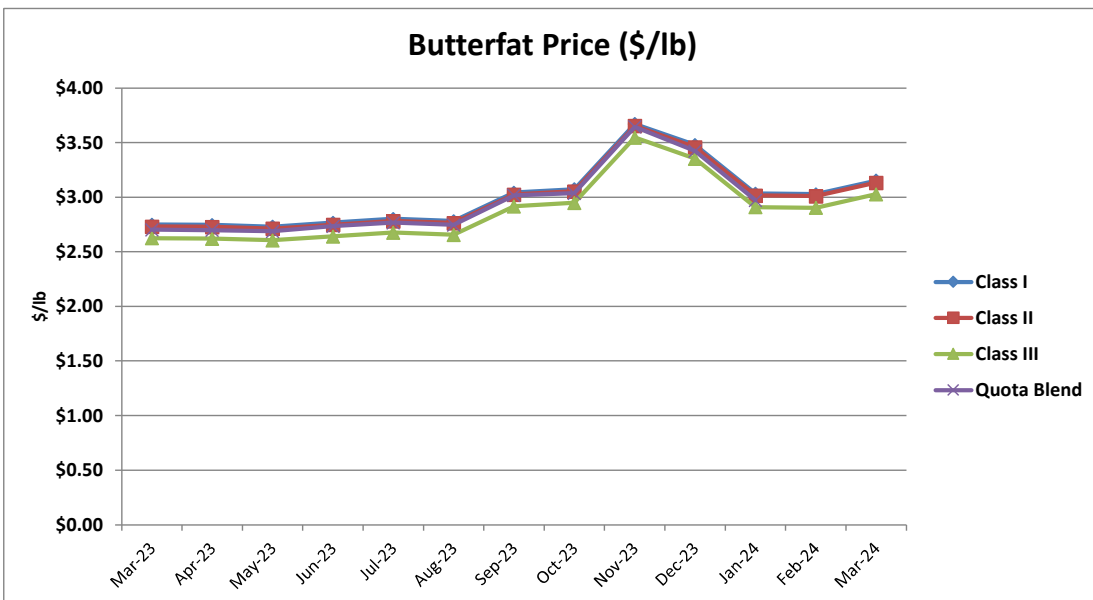
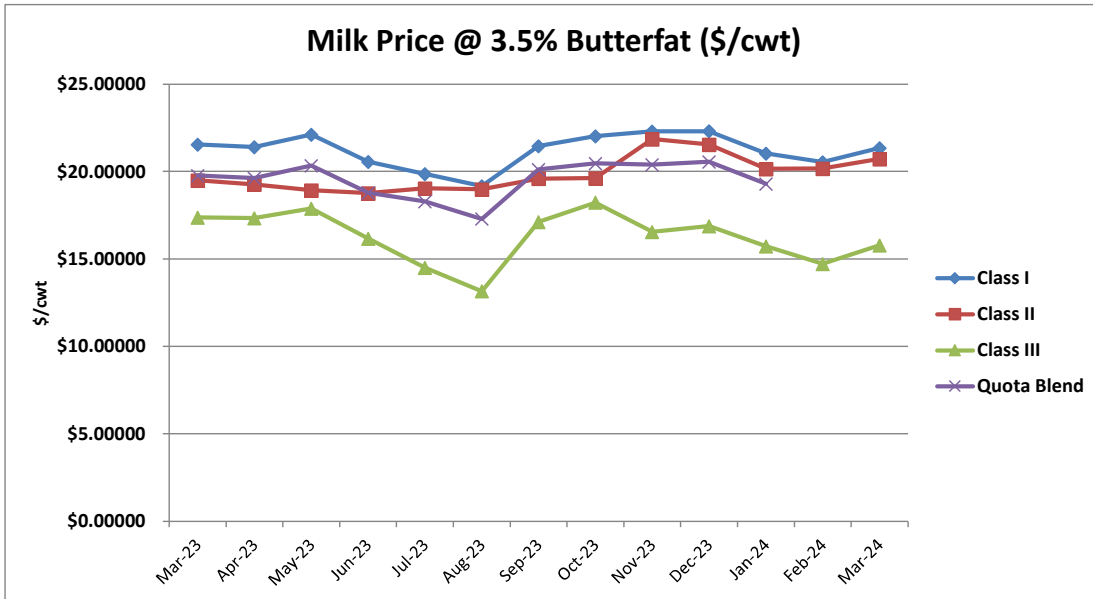
March 2024 Montana Price Announcement Summary			
	Price for Milk Testing 3.5% Butterfat (\$/cwt)	Butterfat Price (\$/lb)	Skim Milk Price (\$/lb) to seven decimal places
Class I	\$21.35000	\$3.1524	\$0.1069078
Class II	\$20.72480	\$3.1339	\$0.1011000
Class III	\$15.78585	\$3.0269	\$0.0538000

Montana Class I Price Computations per ARM 32.24.480(2)			
	Federal Order Base Class I Price for Milk Testing 3.5% Butterfat (\$/cwt):	\$	18.80
	Plus: Montana Differential (\$/cwt)	\$	2.55
	Montana Class I Milk Price for Milk Testing 3.5% Butterfat (\$/cwt)	\$	21.35
	Federal Order Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor (\$/lb)	\$	3.1269
	Plus: Montana Differential (\$/lb)	\$	0.0255
	Montana Class I Butterfat Price (\$/lb)	\$	3.1524
	Value of Montana Class I Butterfat at 3.5 lbs	\$	11.03340
	Value of Montana Class I Skim Milk at 96.5 lbs	\$	10.31660
	Montana Class I Milk Price for Milk Testing 3.5% Butterfat (\$/cwt)	\$	21.35000

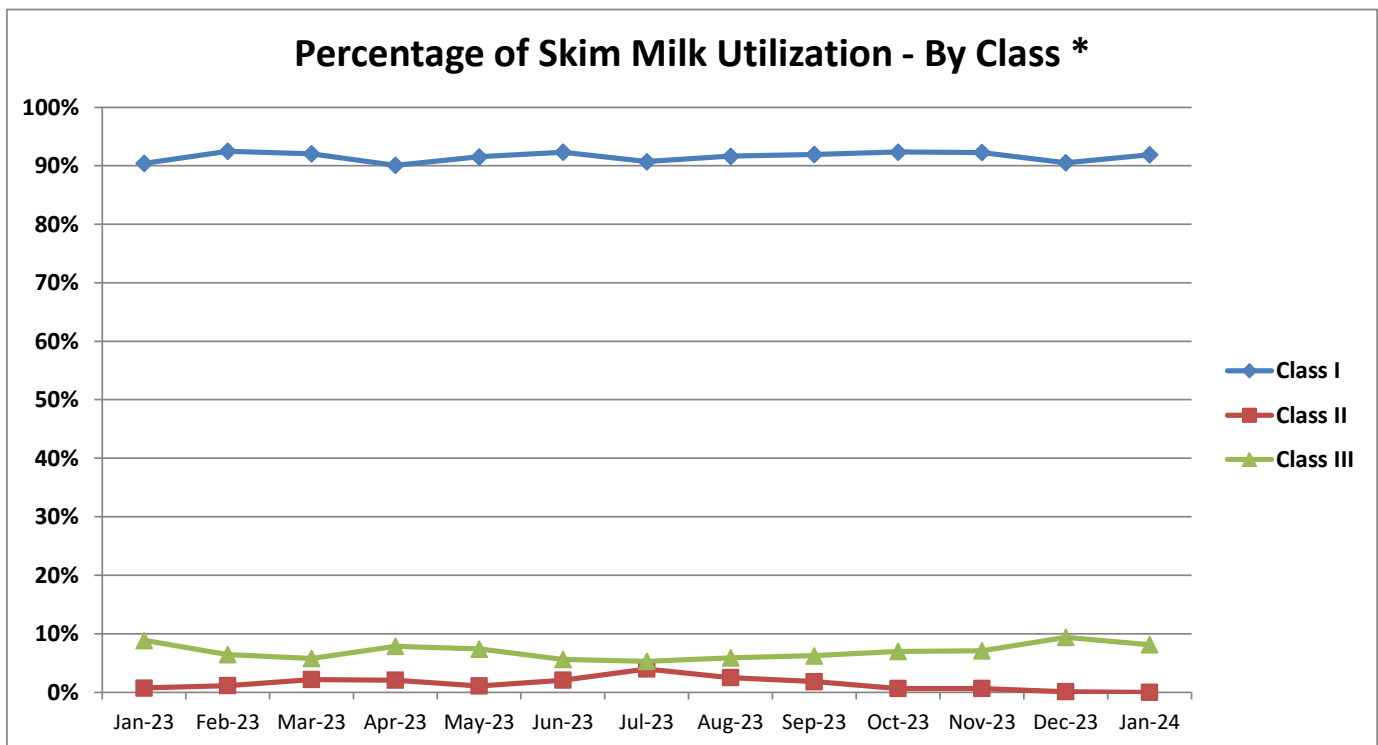
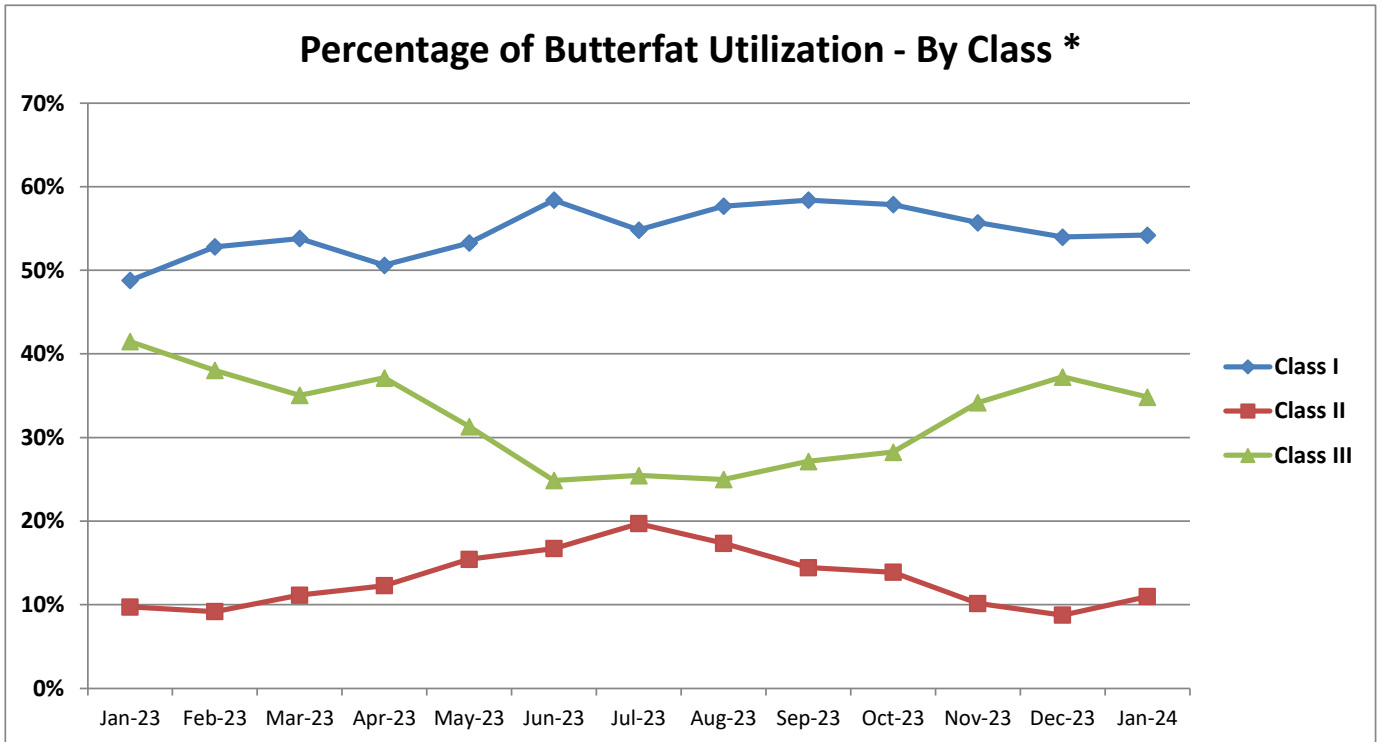
Montana Class II Price Computations per ARM 32.24.480(3)			
	Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor (\$/lb)	\$	3.1269
	Plus: \$0.007/lb (\$/lb)	\$	0.0070
	Montana Class II Butterfat Price (\$/lb)	\$	3.1339
	Montana Class II Skim Milk Price (\$/lb): federal Class II Skim Milk Price converted to units of dollars per pound of skim milk	\$	0.1011
	Value of Montana Class II Butterfat at 3.5 lbs	\$	10.96865
	Value of Montana Class II Skim Milk at 96.5 lbs	\$	9.75615
	Montana Class II Milk Price for Milk Testing 3.5% Butterfat (\$/cwt)	\$	20.72480

Montana Class III Price Computations per ARM 32.24.480(4)			
	Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor (\$/lb)	\$	3.1269
	Less: Montana Class III Butterfat Price Differential (\$/lb)	\$	(0.1000)
	Montana Class III Butterfat Price (\$/lb)	\$	3.0269
	Federal Class III Skim Milk Pricing Factor (\$/cwt)	\$	5.38
	Federal Class IV Skim Milk Pricing Factor (\$/cwt)	\$	9.41
	Montana Class III Skim Milk Price: lower of Class III or Class IV Skim Milk Pricing Factor converted to units of dollars per pound of skim milk (\$/lb)	\$	0.0538
	Value of Montana Class II Butterfat at 3.5 lbs	\$	10.59415
	Value of Montana Class II Skim Milk at 96.5 lbs	\$	5.19170
	Montana Class II Milk Price for Milk Testing 3.5% Butterfat (\$/cwt)	\$	15.78585

Reference Prices for Montana Producer Price Calculations USDA	
<i>Announcement of Advanced Prices and Pricing Factors - February 22, 2024</i>	
Federal Order Base Class I Price (\$/cwt)	\$18.80
Advanced Butterfat Pricing Factor (\$/lb)	\$3.1269
Class II Skim Milk Price (\$/cwt)	\$10.11
Class III Skim Milk Pricing Factor (\$/cwt)	\$5.38
Class IV Skim Milk Pricing Factor (\$/cwt)	\$9.41



* Amendments to Montana's Class II and Class III price formulas became effective October 2018.



* Approximately 30% of skim milk utilization and 15% of butterfat utilization is for Class I milk that is sold as surplus milk. Surplus sales adjustments decrease the pool skim milk utilization value by \$2.55/cwt for sales to markets contiguous to Montana and by \$3.05/cwt for sales to markets non-contiguous to Montana.