

February 13, 2026



# MILK MATTERS

The official newsletter for New Brunswick milk producers.



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## Farm to Fork Recipes

Each year Dairy Farmers of New Brunswick works with Dairy Farmers of Canada and the maritime Provinces to create a recipe booklet for the Farm to Fork campaign. This campaign builds on the “farm to fork theme” by showcasing family dairy farmers and compelling images to tell the story of how 100% Canadian milk goes into the dairy products consumers use to make recipes at home. A variety of recipes, from savory to sweet, are promoted online and in grocery stores through various media forms. These recipes can be traditional family recipes right from the farm or new recipes that you have quickly become a staple in your house. This promotion is in development for this year and we are looking for new recipes! If you have a treasured recipe you would like to share please email Katie at [katie.bleakney@nbmilk.org](mailto:katie.bleakney@nbmilk.org)

### Oma Nellie's Dutch Vla

No holiday or family gathering is complete without my Oma's traditional Dutch Vla. Immigrating from the Netherlands to Canada in the early 90s, this is just one of the delicious recipes she brought with her, passed down from her mother, my great Oma. We hope this family favourite brings as much joy to your table as it does to ours. — Debie

#### INGREDIENTS

4 cups (1 L) Canadian whole milk  
½ cup (75 mL) granulated sugar  
¼ cup (60 mL) custard powder  
(or cornstarch)  
1 packet (9 g) vanilla sugar  
2 egg yolks  
Canadian ice cream  
Sliced fresh strawberries  
Canadian whipped cream

1. In a saucepan set over medium heat, warm milk until hot and bubbles start to form around the edges.
2. Meanwhile, in a large mixing bowl, whisk together granulated sugar, custard powder and vanilla sugar. Mix well. Whisk in egg yolks and ¼ cup (125 mL) hot milk until well incorporated.
3. When milk starts to boil, transfer half to the egg yolks mixture and stir. Transfer remaining milk and stir until you reach the desired thickness.
4. Serve over ice cream with strawberries and whipped cream.



Debie, NB



**TIP** If desired, stir in plain Canadian yogurt to make a thicker Vla!tip.

Farm to Fork recipe from 2025

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BLEND PRICE JANUARY 2025	CREDIT EXCHANGE DEADLINE	QUOTA EXCHANGE DEADLINE
\$102.35/hl or \$22.02/kg of BF  BF: 4.6460 kg/hl, PRO: 3.4270 kg/hl LOS: 5.8976 kg/hl	February 17, 2026 4:00 PM  Please submit credit bids/offers on DFNB Portal at www.nbmilk.org	March 2, 2026 4:00 PM  Please send bids to quota@nbmilk.org

## Market Update

The CDC publishes a monthly market update on the public facing side of their website. These reports are available at the following link:

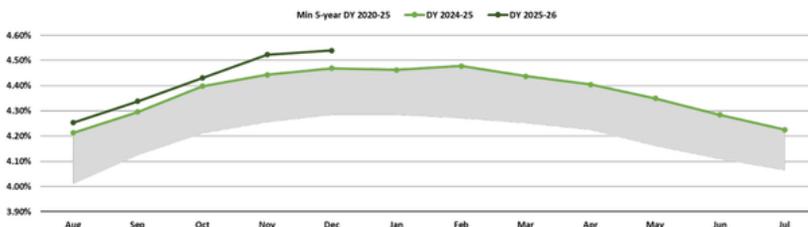
<https://www.cdc-ccl.ca/en/2025-market-updates>

### Overview of December 2025:

- Total Requirements forecast shows an average growth of 1.7% for September 2025-August 2026.
- Total Requirements for the 12 months ending December 2025 were 3.7% higher than those of the previous 12 months and saw a 9.6% decrease since November 2025.
- Compared to November 2025, apparent consumption decreased for ice cream, cheese and butter. For the 12 months ending December 2025 all categories saw increases.
- Total Quota decreased from November 2025 by 8.83% and had an increase of 3.45% for the 12 months ending December 2025.
- P10 production in kgs of BF decreased by 1.45% in December compared to November 2025 but saw an increase of 3.48% for the 12 months ending in December 2025.
- Butter stocks increased in December 2025 by 1,329 tonnes to 36,545 tonnes. Butter stocks are expected to be around 39,082 tonnes in August 2026.

DECEMBER 2025 - DAILY AVERAGE

P10 - BUTTERFAT COMPOSITION IN Raw Milk	
4.54	
KG/HL	
Nov-25	Dec-24
0.017	0.021



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## DFNB MISSION

To represent the interests of New Brunswick dairy farmers in their pursuit of operating sustainable dairy farms that produce high quality milk within a supply management system.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

DFNB Board Meeting  
February 24, 2026

## Skyr - yogurt or cheese?

Skyr is a traditional Icelandic dairy product that looks and tastes a lot like very thick yogurt, but technically it isn't exactly yogurt – it's more like a fresh, soft cheese. In Iceland, skyr is considered a type of fresh sour milk cheese because it's made using the enzyme (rennet) that's also used in cheesemaking. However, because of its thick, creamy texture and mild, tangy flavor, most people around the world – and many grocery stores – sell and eat it like yogurt. So, while it feels like yogurt and is often marketed as such, its traditional production method places it more in the cheese category.

What it's like:

- Thick and creamy – even thicker than Greek yogurt.
- Traditionally made from skim milk with live cultures.
- It's high in protein and low in fat, which is part of why it's become popular in health-food aisles around the world.

## 2026 DFNB Scholarships

Dairy Farmers of New Brunswick opens their scholarships to students across the province. Three scholarships are offered for various fields of study. Information, requirements and applications on the DFNB Memorial Scholarship, the DFNB Scholarship, and the George B. Whalen Memorial Scholarship can be found on the DFNB webpage.

[Link to scholarships](#)

Scholarship applications are due May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026

## P5 Message

### Changes in Solids-Non-Fat (SNF) Payment Policy – April 1, 2026

Effective April 1, 2026, the P5 Boards have approved changes to the payment policy to increase protein production:

- Increase the market ratio to 2.20;
- Increase the no-pay ratio to 2.30; and
- Modify butterfat and Tier 1 Protein price by changing the distribution of the residual revenue from the other solids, 30% to butterfat and 70% to protein paid in Tier 1.

As observed increasingly in 2025, the demand for protein is strong while the butterfat test at the farm has grown faster than anticipated in the P5. As part of the continuous assessment of the payment policy parameters, the conclusion was reached that to meet the recent and expected market demand for increased protein, the volume produced by the P5 needs to increase more significantly.

Therefore, both payment ratios are increased to encourage an increase in the on-farm SNF/BF production ratio to increase volume in P5 to better align with market demand. The market ratio increase is expected to generate additional volumes to reduce the milk shortage while limiting the impact on butter stocks.

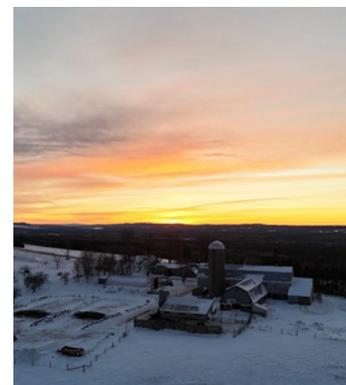
To emphasise the importance of increasing the protein and volumes produced, the revenue distribution from other solids for the prices of butterfat and Tier 1 protein are also modified. The effect is expected to increase the Tier 1 protein price by approximately \$2.00 and decrease the butterfat price by approximately \$1.80.

### SAMPLE TESTING CONTACTS

Contacts found on last page.

### BUY & SELL

Please send for sale and wanted items to [nbmilk@nbmilk.org](mailto:nbmilk@nbmilk.org)



## P5 Message Continued

### Background

As there continues to be a strong consumer preference for dairy products high in protein, it has increased the demand for protein from the market at a faster rate, as shown in Table 1.

Table 1 – Retail sales growth for high protein content dairy products, 2025

Dairy product	Growth in 2025
Fortified milk	9.4%
Yogurt	6.6%
• Greek yogurt	18.8%
• Plain yogurt	14.5%
• Skyr (soft cheese advertised as yogurt)	43.4%
Natural cheese	2.0%
• Cottage cheese	25.8%

For example, Greek yogurt that uses up to six times more milk than regular yogurt now represents a third of yogurt retail sales in Canada. Soft cheeses that are high in protein are also growing categories, such as cottage cheese that that now represents 10% of cheese sales. This shift in demand occurred as there continues to be a decrease of the farm production ratio twice as quickly as forecasted which has resulted in shifts in the protein available to serve all markets, and a better return for surplus SNF.

The faster than anticipated decrease of the farm production ratio generating less surplus at the same time as the changes in market demand were seen. The following table summarizes the changes in SNF/BF ratio observed in P5 over the last three years:

	SNF Ratio in P5
2023	2.1707
2024	2.1386
2025	2.1190

The following is a table summarizing the SNF/BF payment policy changes since 2020:

2020	The maximum no pay SNF/BF ratio was adjusted from 2.35 to 2.30.
2021	Two tier pricing, including a market ratio was implemented. With tier 2 pricing paid at 4a price for protein, and lactose and other solids.
2022	The maximum no pay SNF/BF ratio was reduced from 2.30 to 2.25.
2023	The maximum no pay SNF/BF ratio was reduced from 2.25 to 2.20. In addition, the tier 2 pricing was adjusted to 70% of 4a price for protein and \$0.63/kg for lactose and other solids.
2025-08	The tier 2 pricing was adjusted to 4a price for protein and \$0.90/kg for lactose and other solids.
2026-01	Tier 2 pricing was adjusted to 4a price + \$3.00/kg for protein.

The P5 Quota Committee will continue to evaluate the payment policy and update its parameters and objectives as necessary, to ensure markets continue to be met.

## DDPP Update

The letters for the Dairy Direct Payment Program (DDPP) for 2025-2026 were mailed on November 12, 2025. You can register with the codes provided in your letter. Your completed registration must be signed and received no later than March 31, 2026, to receive payment for the year 2025-2026.

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## Spring Weight Restrictions

Spring weight restrictions will take effect in March 2026. To prepare, we will be transitioning the trucks onto new routes where necessary.

We will be making those necessary adjustments starting on the weekend of March 1st & 2nd, 2026.

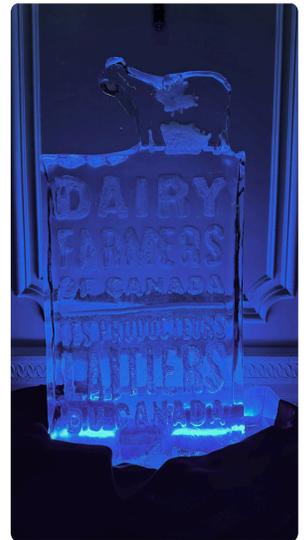
We encourage you to plan, as there may be some disruptions during this period.

Please be prepared in case any changes impact your farm.

Here is a link to access the government site for checking for the posting of the dates for spring weights – <https://www.gnb.ca/en/topic/driving-transportation/commercial-transportation/spring-weight.html>

## Lobby Day 2026

DFNB directors and leaders gathered on Parliament Hill on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 to engage with several of the New Brunswick Members of Parliament and Senators on critical topics within the dairy industry. Discussion delved into topics including trade negotiations and maintaining existing funding under the next agricultural policy framework.



## The Social Media Scoop

### 🎬 CASTING CALL 🎬

We're looking for social-savvy dairy farmers who want to help create fun, engaging video content for the DFNB social channels this winter!

If you love storytelling, filming, editing -or all of the above - we'd love to hear from you.

📱 Interested?

Text 902-877-9355 or email [michelle.kempton@dfc-plc.ca](mailto:michelle.kempton@dfc-plc.ca)



*To stay in the loop, be sure to follow, comment on, and share DFNB's posts.*



## AROUND THE BOARD TABLE

### KEY DECISIONS

- Approved minutes from January 7th, 2026
- Approved the terms of reference for the DFNB Governance Committee
- AGM delegate structure approved, allowing one representative per farm and maintaining regional representation targets.
- Approved to move towards compartment sampling on milk trucks approved to help support milk sample integrity.
- Joseph and Allison Ammerlaan approved for entry into the New Entrant Program effective February 1, 2026.
- P5 SNF payment policy changes approved, including updating the market ratio from 2.00 to 2.20, no-pay ratio from 2.20 to 2.30, and revised revenue distribution of residual revenue from LOS to 30% on butterfat and 70% on protein in Tier 1, effective April 1, 2026.

### DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Reviewed receiving bay guidelines within the DFNB Allocation Order.
- Discussed AGM delegate guidelines and voting procedures.
- Continued review of DFNB's provincial quota policy.

**DATE: JANUARY 27-28,**

**JANUARY 30TH (EMAIL DECISION)  
FEBRUARY 4TH (EMAIL DECISION)**

### ATTENDANCE

Directors: Wietze Dykstra, Gilbert Matheson, Becky Perry, Denis Cyr, John Best, George Wesselius, John Schuttenbeld, Paul Gaunce, Mike Bouma, Robert Speer (NBFPC representative)  
Staff: Steve Michaud, Ashley Baskin (Recording Secretary), Sharon Beasley (CFO Center)

### REPORTS

**Managers' and Operations Reports:** Presented by Steve Michaud

**Financials:** Presented by Sharon Beasley

Committee reports updates provided, including CDC AGM, NB Ag Alliance, Promotion Committee.



## NATURAL PRODUCTS ACT REGULATIONS

***Plans for construction, extension, alteration, installation or replacement***

50(1) Plans for the construction, extension or alteration of a dairy farm, including a dairy barn, milking parlour or milk house, shall be submitted to the Commission or an inspector for approval before the work is undertaken.

50(2) Plans for the installation or replacement of a farm bulk tank shall be submitted to the Commission or an inspector for approval before the work is undertaken.

<http://laws.gnb.ca/en/ShowTdm/cr/2010-19//>

## QUALITY MILK

Additional testing is available from RPC. Please contact RPC directly by email [dairy.rpc@rpc.ca](mailto:dairy.rpc@rpc.ca) Or 506-452-1212

Bulk milk graders are trained and licensed to grade milk. They only reject milk according to regulations. Once rejected a producer is required to dispose of that milk and correct the problem that contributed to the rejection and clean their tank before adding their next milking.

Producers are welcome to reach out to the public safety inspectors for assistance in determining the causes for the rejections.

## MILK PENALTY FUNDING

Pro-active funding: Producers advised of second or subsequent milk quality infraction, prior to a penalty assessed, is allowed to offset, once per year, cost of a visit from milk quality technician to a maximum of \$1000. Producers may apply for funding by forwarding paid invoices to DFNB office.

**Dairy Farmers of New Brunswick  
Milk Matters: Production and Payment Summary Report for January 2026**

**Quota Exchange for February, 2026**

Price in Dollars	# of Sellers	Kgs Offered By Sellers	Total Cum. kgs	Difference Between Sellers/Buyers	Total Cum. kgs	Kgs Wanted By Buyers	# of Buyers
\$24,000.00		32.3	32.3	728.2	760.5	760.5	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>32.3</b>				<b>760.5</b>	<b>63</b>

QESP = Quota Exchange Selling Price

32.3 of 760.5 kgs wanted at or above the Quota Exchange Selling Price of \$24,000.00 were purchased.

There was a total of 32.3 kgs offered for sale and total bids to purchase of 760.5 kgs.

QESP = Le prix de vente de quota

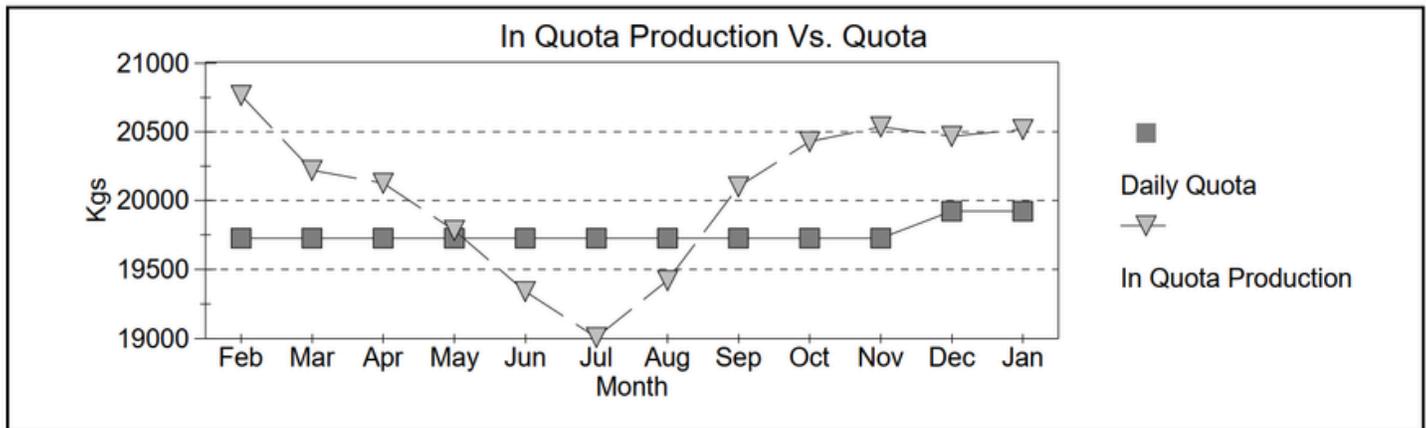
32.3 des 760.5 kilos demandé au prix de vente de \$24,000.00 ou au dessus ont été acheté.

Il y avait un total de 32.3 kgs proposés à la vente et le total des offres pour l'achat de 760.5kg.

Next Exchange closes at 4:00 p.m., Monday March 2, 2026

Results are available Thursday March 5, 2026

Month	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sept	6 month avg.
Clearing Price	\$24,000	\$24,000	\$24,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,000
Kgs on Exchange	32.3	2.9	15.0	.0	.0	.0	16.7
Kgs by Transfer	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0



## QUOTA CORNER

### Quota Exchange Procedures

Bids/Offeres must be submitted on forms provided prior to 4:00 p.m. on 1st working day of month. All bids must be accompanied by confirmation of funds from your lending institution if bid is greater than prior month's "Due Producer". Producers will not be allowed to combine their "Due Producer" amount with their confirmation of funds from a financial institution to bid for quota equal to the combined amounts. Bids or offers above \$24,000 will not be accepted. Producers selling all of their quota on an exchange will be subject to a security deposit of \$1000/kg that will be returned 30 days after effective date of the transfer.

### Minimum Quota Holdings Policy

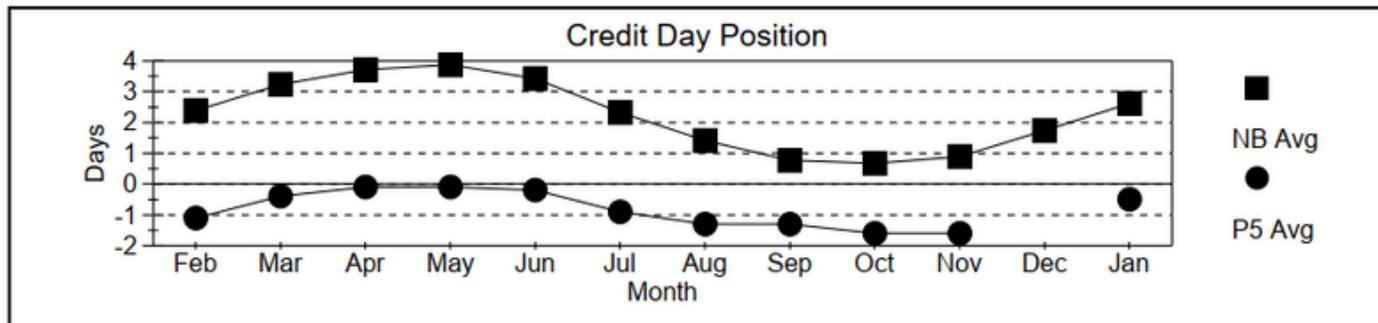
The Board will cease picking milk up when the farm's total daily quota falls below ten (10) kilograms.

### An over quota penalty of \$20/hl is in effect.

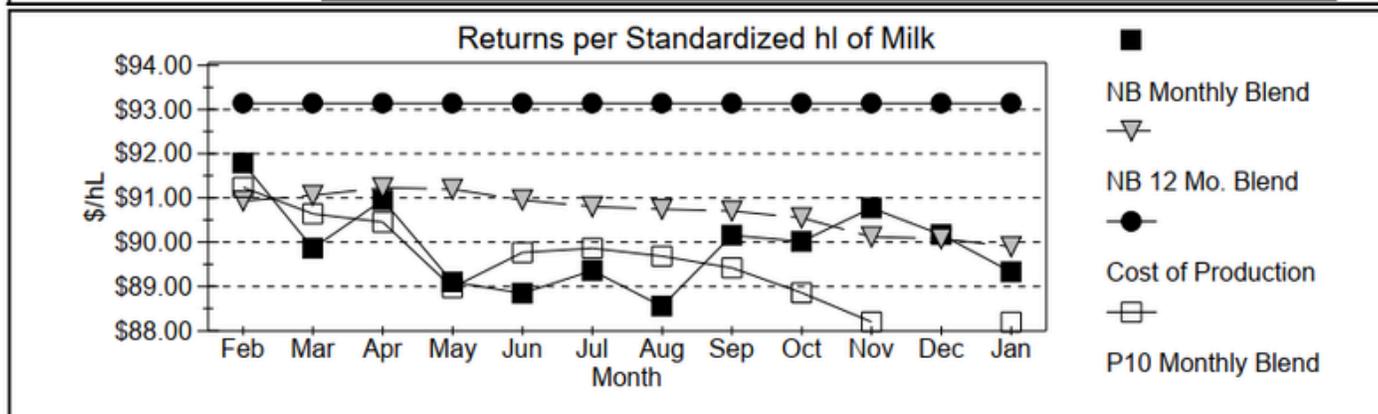
### Daily Quota Transfer Order

Section 3 b) j); Producers must pay the Board the QESP for the Daily Quota so purchased on or before noon of the 20th day of the month or noon of the first working day thereafter if the 20th falls on a holiday or weekend. Payment received after that is subject to a 2% penalty applied on the value of the purchased Daily Quota and deducted from the producer's statement. The producer will also be prohibited from purchasing on the following month's exchange. If payment is not received by the last working day of month, that purchased quota will be revoked and be offered for sale on the next month's exchange. Any losses incurred from the resale of the revoked Daily Quota will be charged back to the producer along with an additional 2% penalty.

## Credits



Month	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Incentive Days Issued	0.14	0.18	0.53	0.81	0.79	1.79	2.72	3.67	3.59	2.59	0.66	0.73
Incentive Days Used	0.14	0.17	0.50	0.60	0.54	0.87	1.41	2.05	1.96	1.69	0.64	0.68
Days Over Quota	0.34	0.22	0.15	0.06	0.05	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.05	0.08	0.17
Days Lost	-0.08	-0.06	-0.07	-0.07	-0.11	-0.26	-0.19	-0.10	-0.08	-0.10	-0.11	-0.14
Days Exchanged	1.14	1.08	0.90	1.23	0.94	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.97	1.03	1.11	1.00
Credit Exch Clearing Price	\$17.01	\$20.00	\$17.00	\$15.15	\$10.00	\$4.50	\$4.01	\$6.03	\$10.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$15.15



Month	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
SNF Market Ratio \$/kg	\$2.30	\$2.05	\$1.90	\$1.91	\$2.00	\$2.06	\$2.98	\$2.98	\$2.66	\$2.66	\$2.59	\$5.69

A standardized hl of milk contains 3.60 kg/hl BF, 3.23 kg/hl PT and 5.69 kg/hl LOS

## CREDIT CORNER

### Credit Exchange Procedures

Bids/Offers must be submitted on forms provided prior to 4:00 p.m. on the 2nd working day after the 15th of the month. Results are available on the morning of 4th working day after the 15th. Producers exiting industry may purchase/sell credits one month following effective date of sale. If you do not receive your statement in time to review your credit position, please call the office and we will fax /email your statement to you.

### January 2026 Credit Exchange \$15.15/kg

19,991 of the 20,877 kgs offered at or below the CESP were purchased.

Effective May 1, 2025 the 0-day limit was removed which allowed producers to buy or sell regardless of their credit positions.

At a later date, producers with quality penalties will also have the percentage of credits that they can buy reduced for a number of months. DFNB will notify producers 2 months prior to this policy taking effect.

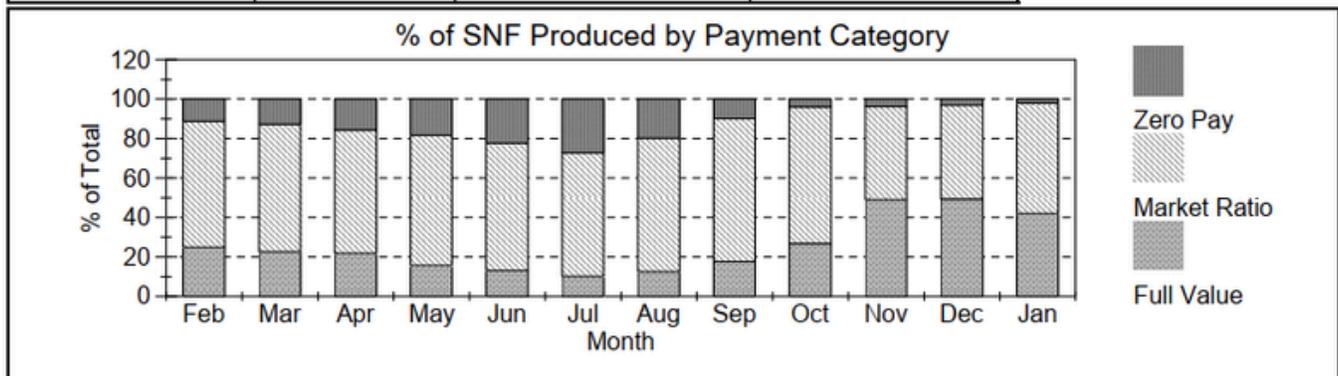
NB Domestic Milk Pool									
Over Quota	BF Kg	BF \$/kg	BF \$	PT Kg	PT \$/kg	PT \$	OS Kg	OS \$/kg	OS \$
January 2026	3,412	-\$2.7327	(\$9,325)	2,455	-\$1.9107	(\$4,691)	4,279	-\$0.3917	(\$1,676)
12 Months	23,284	-\$2.7327	(\$63,628)	17,292	-\$1.9107	(\$33,040)	30,593	-\$0.3917	(\$11,983)
<b>SNF &gt; 2.20</b>									
January 2026				313	\$0.0000	\$0	577	\$0.0000	\$0
12 Months				19,966	\$0.0000	\$0	36,850	\$0.0000	\$0
<b>SNF 2.00&lt;=&gt;2.20</b>									
January 2026				8,567	\$5.6922	\$48,767	15,136	\$9.9000	\$13,622
12 Months				212,936	\$2.4648	\$524,845	383,311	\$7.7381	\$282,939
<b>Domestic Market</b>									
January 2026	632,497	\$13.3967	\$8,473,369	457,727	\$10.2473	\$4,690,464	787,218	\$9.9000	\$708,496
12 Months	7,295,576	\$13.6083	\$99,280,484	5,249,804	\$10.6859	\$56,098,821	9,209,791	\$9.9000	\$8,288,812

## Production & Payment

Revenue	\$/HL	BF \$	PT \$	OS \$				Total Paid \$
January 2026	\$102.35	\$8,464,044	\$4,734,540	\$720,442				\$13,919,026
12 Months	\$100.44	\$99,216,856	\$56,590,627	\$8,559,767				\$164,367,250
Deductions	Transport	Promotion	Admin	Lab Fee	Research Levy	Total Ded Per HL		Total Deductions
	Per HL	Per Kg of Total Solids						
January 2026	\$3.59	\$0.1015	\$0.0786	\$0.0080	\$0.0016	\$6.24		\$854,108
12 Months	\$3.77	\$0.0929	\$0.0786	\$0.0082	\$0.0016	\$6.23		\$10,264,396
Quality	Somatic Cell Count	Standard Plate Count	Lab Past. Count	IBC				Rejected Loads
January 2026	160,117	0	0	61				0
12 Months	172,320	0	0	47				0
Production & Component Tests	Production Volume	Butter Fat	Protein	Lactose & O.S.	Total Solids	SNF Ratio		
January 2026	13,687,114	4.6460	3.4270	5.8976	13.9707	2.0070		
12 Months	164,271,141	4.4554	3.3481	5.8809	13.6843	2.0714		

## SNF Policy

<b>Current SNF Ratio Values</b>	Full Value: < 2.00	Market Ratio: 2.00<=>2.20	Zero Pay: > 2.20
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## SNF/BF: Avg Ratios

Month	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Full Value	1.92	1.93	1.93	1.94	1.95	1.95	1.93	1.92	1.92	1.93	1.93	1.93
Market Ratio	2.08	2.09	2.10	2.10	2.11	2.12	2.11	2.10	2.08	2.07	2.06	2.06
Zero Pay	2.26	2.26	2.27	2.26	2.26	2.28	2.26	2.25	2.24	2.26	2.24	2.27
Provincial	2.06	2.08	2.09	2.10	2.12	2.14	2.12	2.08	2.05	2.01	2.00	2.01

## Maritime Quality Milk

Maritime Quality Milk (MQM) is a research and service program at the Atlantic Veterinary College, located at the University of Prince Edward Island in Charlottetown.  
[www.milkquality.ca](http://www.milkquality.ca)

## Milk 2020

MILK 2020's mission is to develop and enhance knowledge and innovation, through its leadership and its actions, with a view to encouraging the sustainable growth of New Brunswick's dairy industry.

[www.milk2020.ca](http://www.milk2020.ca)

## Co-operators Group Insurance

Group rates as of Dec 1, 2025  
Monthly single coverage: \$151.45  
Monthly family coverage: \$411.77

Claims, rates, enrolment:  
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[emily.murphy@gotoinsure.ca](mailto:emily.murphy@gotoinsure.ca)  
David Scott 506.450.7732  
1.800.994.5155

## NB Research & Productivity Council

RPC is New Brunswick's provincial research organization (PRO), a research and technology organization (RTO) offering contract R&D and technical services at our locations in Fredericton and Moncton, New Brunswick.

**506.452.1212**

## NB Environmental Farm Plan

Contact Likhita Potluri  
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**506.259.0020**  
or by email at:  
[efp-pfe@fermeNBfarm.ca](mailto:efp-pfe@fermeNBfarm.ca)

## Composition & Microbiology Testing

Composition testing  
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Microbiology testing  
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## Hoof Trimming

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## Crop Specialist

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## Sample Testing

Dairytown  
inhibitor testing  
Kris Byers  
**506-424-0769**  
RPC for further testing  
**506-452-1212**

## Dairy Specialist

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## Links

**GNB Livestock Sector Development**  
[https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/contacts/dept\\_renderer.137.203310.4073.html#employees](https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/contacts/dept_renderer.137.203310.4073.html#employees)

**Bob Calve Prices**  
<https://www.fpbq.upa.qc.ca/infoprix/BovinReforme/BRInfoPrixHebdo.asp?Langue=A>

**Research Council:  
Free webinars**  
<https://www.beefresearch.ca/resources/webinars.cfm>

**Canadian Dairy Commission**  
<https://www.cdc-ccl.gc.ca/>

**Dairy Farmers of Canada News Centre**  
<https://www.dairyfarmers.ca/news-centre/document-library>

**AgriStartNB**  
<https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/10/pdf/Agriculture/FarmingInNewBrunswick-RoadMapForNewEntrants.pdf>

## BULK MILK TANKS

All bulk milk tanks needing calibrated will be coordinated by DFNB staff using the calibration services of both Dairy Farmers of Ontario (DFO) . If you are planning to install a new tank or have installed one recently, please call 432-4330 so your farm can be added to the schedule. Before replacing your bulk milk tank remember: New tanks of 1000 US gallons (3780 liters) must have a minimum outlet of 3 inches with a butterfly valve; New tanks less than 1000 must have a minimum tank outlet of 2 inches with a butterfly valve; Used tanks of any size must have a minimum tank outlet of 2 inches with a butterfly valve.

## TRANSPORTATION

If you have concerns about your scheduled pickups, you can contact:

### **Kingsco Transportation:**

Dispatcher –  
Bliss Price 506-435-1584  
Hauler Supervisor –  
Conrad Hachey 506-435-2293  
General Manager –  
Kris Aiton 506-434-3006

### **DFNB Transportation:**

Coordinator -  
Veronica McEwen (506) 432-0092

For any milk transportation questions or issues please call DFNB at  
(506) 432-4330 ext 24



## Routine Records Made Easier: Interactive Producer Refresher Sessions



### Routine Records don't have to be frustrating.

These refresher sessions are designed to help you simplify on-farm record keeping and stay ahead of Routine Record CARs.

But this isn't just a presentation.

### This is a working session.

We want to hear from you:

- What's working well on your farm?
- What makes record keeping challenging?
- What tools or systems have made things easier?

Together, we'll share practical strategies, real-life solutions, and ideas that producers can actually use.

What We'll Cover:

- Breaking down common Routine Record CARs
- What validators are looking for
- Producer-led discussion on making it easier

**Light Refreshments will be provided.**  
**Please contact Natasha for details.**

### Session Dates & Locations

March 16 – **Moncton**

Department of Agriculture Office

🕒 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

March 16 – **Sussex**

Department of Agriculture Office

🕒 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

March 17 – **Saint-André**

Department of Agriculture Building

🕒 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

March 18 – **Wicklow**

Potato Development Centre

🕒 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

March 19 – **Fredericton**

Maritime Forestry Complex

🕒 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

March 20 – **Bathurst**

Bathurst Agriculture Building

🕒 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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