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Preliminary data

## Entrance of row cow's milk and obtained products into the dairies

### Third quarter 2024

The total quantity of purchased cow's milk, by dairy farmers in the territory of Montenegro, in the third quarter of 2024 is 7 295 168 kg, and shows an increase of 1.3%, compared to the same quarter of 2023.

The average milk fat content in the third quarter of 2024, compared to the third quarter of 2023, recorded a increase of 6.8%, while the average protein content recorded an increase of 4.9%.

In the third quarter of 2024, compared to the same quarter of 2023, an increase in the production of traditional butter (by 19.8%), cheese (by 9.6%), while a decline was recorded in the production of drinking milk (by 16.8%), cream (by 12.9%) other yellow-fat products (by 8.9%), and fermented milk products (by 1.9%).

**Table 1.** Cow's milk in the third quarter of 2024

Cow's milk/ kg	III Q 2024	Index
		<u>III Q 2024</u> <u>III Q 2023</u>
Purchased cow's milk	7 295 168	101.3
Fat content, %	4.05	106.8
Protein content, %	3.33	104.9

**Table 2.** Dairy production in the third quarter of 2024

Dairy products from cow's milk/ kg	III Q 2024	Index
		<u>III Q 2024</u> <u>III Q 2023</u>
Drinking milk	563 373	83.2
Cream	260 395	87.1
Fermented products	2 831 323	98.1
Traditional butter	57 173	119.8
Other yellow products	257	91.1
Cheese	523 868	109.6

## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

### Legal basis

The survey's is conducted on the basis of the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System of Montenegro (Official Gazette of Montenegro 18/12). The collected data is protected in accordance with the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System of Montenegro (Article 34, 55 and 56).

### Purpose and contents of survey

The survey collects the data about the entrance of cow's milk and manufactured products, with monthly periodicity data collecting. Data on total milk quantites collected from the farms, excluded import.

### Reporting units

Reporting units are dairies in the territory of Montenegro.

### Method and time of collection

Data are collected through reporting method. Administrative data control conducted with cooperation with Ministry of Agriculture and Rural development. The periodicity is monthly. Reporting units are obliged to send data to the Statistical Office – MONSTAT, up to 10th of the current month for the previous month (Monthly survey).

### Definition

Definitions are in accordance with the regulations and the decision of Eurostat (Commission Decision No 97/80EC, Annex 1).

### Data representativeness

Data are representative on the level of Montenegro.

Data are published according to the Statistical Release Calendar.

According to the Revision Policy of the Statistical Office, the final data shall be published with the date defined by the Statistical Release Calendar.

When using the data, state:

"Data source: Statistical Office - MONSTAT"

*More data, as well as detailed methodological notes can be found in the section: [Entrance of row cow's milk and obtained products into the dairies](#)*