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Preliminary data

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

First quarter 2024

The total quantity of purchased cow's milk, by dairy farmers in the territory of Montenegro, in the first quarter of 2024 is 6 998 740 kg, and shows an increase of 7.7% compared to the same quarter of 2023.

The average milk fat content in the first quarter of 2024, compared to the first quarter of 2023, recorded an increase of 2.0%, while the average protein content recorded an increase of 5.3%.

In the first quarter of 2024, compared to the same quarter of 2023, an increase in the production of traditional butter (by 36.5%), cheese (by 20.7%), fermented milk products (by 1.4%) and other yellow-fat products (by 112.9%), while a decline was recorded in the production of drinking milk (by 17.2%) and cream (by 3.2%).

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

Cow's milk/ kg	I Q 2024	Index
		<u>I Q 2024</u> <u>I Q 2023</u>
Purchased cow's milk	6 998 740	107.7
Fat content, %	4.04	102.0
Protein content, %	3.42	105.3

Table 2. Dairy production in the first quarter of 2024

Dairy products from cow's milk/ kg	I Q 2024	<u>I Q 2024</u> <u>I Q 2023</u>
Drinking milk	729 614	82.8
Cream	241 181	96.8
Fermented products	2 141 220	101.4
Traditional butter	54 053	136.5
Other yellow products	413	212.9
Cheese	400 228	120.7

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 No 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, 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](#)