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Entrance of row cow’s milk and obtained products into the dairies in February 2016

The total quantity of collected cow's milk in February 2016 compared to February 2015, increased by 8.1%. Compared to the monthly average in 2015, it purchased 8.2% less milk.

The content of fat in February 2016 compared to February 2015 increased by 7.2%, while the protein increased by 4.7% compared to the same period in 2015. Compared with the annual average content of milk fat increased by 6.1% and protein increased by 5%.

In February 2016 compared to the same period in 2015, recorded an increase in production of buter cream 34.6%, cream 110.9% and cheese by 60.1% and reduced production of drinking milk by 18.7%, fermented dairy products by 6.2% and the other yellow-fatty products to 46.4%.

Compared with the previous month, purchased milk increased by 4.1%, while the content of milk fat increased by 0.2% and protein increased by 3%. Also, there was a higher production of drinking milk (10.9%), cream (21.1%), fermented products (by 3.2%), cream (10.8%), and cheese (9.4%). Production of other yellow products was decreased by 0.3% observed compared to the previous reporting month.

When compared to the monthly average in 2015 produced less drinking milk (27.2%), and fermented dairy products (14.6%), while the increased production of cream (traditional cream 25.6%), cream (11.2%) other yellow-fatty products (21.1%), and cheese (by 26.2%).
Total quantities of cow's milk collected, does not include milk from imports, but only quantities from farms are included.

**Table 1. Cows milk and dairy products**

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<th>Cows, milk and dairy products / kg</th>
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<td>Cow's milk collected</td>
<td>1,920,950</td>
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<td>Fat content, %</td>
<td>3.98</td>
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<td>Protein content, %</td>
<td>3.34</td>
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<td>Drinking milk</td>
<td>502,735</td>
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<td>Cream</td>
<td>71,785</td>
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<td>Fermented products</td>
<td>512,686</td>
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<td>Traditional butter</td>
<td>8,209</td>
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<td>Other yellow products</td>
<td>1,049</td>
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<td>Cows' cheese</td>
<td>86,600</td>
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¹) See Notes on Methodology
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).

Purpose and content 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 quantities collected from the farms, excluded import.

The collected data is protected in accordance with the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System of Montenegro (Article 34).

Reporting units

Reporting units are dairies in the territory of Montenegro.

Survey coverage

The coverage is full, and all dairies are covered by the survey.

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 15th 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)

The representativeness of the data

Data are representative on the level of Montenegro.

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