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Preliminary data

Entrance of row cows' milk and products obtained in dairies

First quarter 2026

The total quantity of cow's milk purchased by dairies in the territory of Montenegro in the first quarter of 2026 amounted to 7,283,685 kg, representing an increase of 10.9% compared to the same quarter of 2025.

The average milk fat content in the first quarter of 2026 decreased by 1.9% compared to the first quarter of 2025, while the protein content increased by 0.8%.

In the first quarter of 2026, compared to the same quarter of 2025, an increase was recorded in the production of fermented dairy products by 18.7% and cheese by 4.4%, while a decrease was recorded in the production of drinking milk by 18.4%, traditional butter by 16.4%, and cream by 4.8%.

Table 1. Cows' milk in the first quarter of 2026

Cows' milk/ kg	I Q 2026	Index
		$\frac{\text{I Q 2026}}{\text{I Q 2025}}$
Purchased cows' milk	7 283 685	110.9
Fat content, %	3.86	98.1
Protein content, %	3.45	100.8

Table 2. Production of dairy products in the first quarter of 2026

Dairy products from cows' milk/ kg	I Q 2026	Index
		$\frac{\text{I Q 2026}}{\text{I Q 2025}}$
Drinking milk	476 859	81.6
Cream	210 643	95.2
Fermented products	2 372 194	118.7
Traditional butter	46 135	83.6
Other yellow products	-	-
Cheese	416 914	104.4

METODOLOGICAL 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, 47/19, 23/25). 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 cows' milk and manufactured products, with monthly periodicity data collecting. Data on total milk quantities 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, Forestry and Water Management. 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 at the level of Montenegro.

Data are released according to the Statistical Release Calendar.

According to the Revision policy of the Statistical Office, the final data shall be published on 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](#)

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