

# SLIGHT DECREASE IN COWS' MILK COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER 2004 IN EU-25

## Statistics in focus

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### Cows' milk collection by dairies in EU-25

October 2004

*Warning: These figures concern the collection of cows' milk by dairies and creameries from farms, and not the production of cows' milk on farms.*

#### Monthly situation

In October 2004, there was a slight fall of 2.1% of the cow's milk collection for EU-25 in relation to September. The corresponding decrease for EU-15 was 1.2%.

Nevertheless, for the countries which were affected by unfavourable weather 2003, the situation returned to normal in relation to the average collection of the previous years, the weather of the current marketing year encouraged fodder production.

Belgium and France record rises in collection of more than 5%. Ireland, Latvia and Lithuania report falls of more than 15%, corresponding to the extensive livestock-farming system.

#### The trend in cows' milk collected by dairies and creameries

	Cows' milk collection by dairies 1000 t													Rate of change (%)	
	Oct 2003	Nov 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	May 2004	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Oct 2004 / Sep 2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	Oct 2004 / Oct 2003
BE	224.2	211.0	236.2	238.7	220.3	238.5	256.9	267.5	247.3	239.3	246.3	217.0	245.4	9.4	9.4
CZ	.	.	.	210.4	201.4	220.0	213.3	224.3	220.5	227.3	222.5	209.1	208.2	-3.6	.
DK	369.6	355.1	373.4	374.0	349.3	365.5	371.8	391.6	374.2	381.3	377.7	361.6	361.8	-3.2	-2.1
DE	2219.0	2120.6	2252.7	2291.8	2156.1	2277.1	2317.9	2437.0	2295.8	2307.8	2253.5	2169.5	2233.1	-0.4	0.6
EE	35.9	34.4	37.1	38.2	39.2	43.7	46.8	50.0	50.3	50.7	48.4	44.1	41.8	-8.3	16.4
EL	54.2	50.2	52.4	42.0	47.2	51.1	53.7	60.8	57.9	61.3	59.2	57.5	55.8	-6.1	2.9
ES	477.2	461.7	484.1	485.0	463.5	516.5	497.6	535.1	497.7	496.4	481.8	465.5	465.1	-3.3	-2.5
FR	1858.2	1846.7	1995.2	2030.6	1904.8	1948.8	2136.9	2152.9	1857.3	1721.4	1655.1	1701.0	1848.8	5.2	-0.5
IE	427.3	268.1	157.6	132.6	205.1	393.1	620.7	729.6	685.0	673.0	602.2	498.7	409.7	-20.5	-4.1
IT	815.2	801.5	815.6	851.9	824.0	909.3	896.7	897.6	897.9	878.2	825.5	803.9	808.1	-2.7	-0.9
CY	12.6	12.1	12.5	12.0	11.2	12.3	11.9	11.6	11.2	11.8	12.0	11.6	11.6	-3.5	-8.0
LV	.	.	.	28.4	26.4	29.7	32.8	42.5	50.5	53.7	53.9	50.1	42.7	-17.5	.
LT	95.7	68.1	68.7	64.9	60.1	66.6	72.8	97.4	118.4	129.0	135.5	128.8	110.7	-16.8	15.7
LU	20.0	19.5	21.4	22.2	20.9	22.1	22.3	23.7	22.1	21.9	20.8	20.1	20.4	-2.0	1.7
HU	142.4	136.7	142.6	150.2	144.5	152.3	148.0	152.7	146.5	146.8	146.7	140.2	141.7	-2.2	-0.5
MT	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	-3.5	9.4
NL	891.6	834.0	883.6	885.2	807.8	840.9	896.4	922.8	877.7	886.3	871.1	864.8	888.7	-0.5	-0.3
AT	212.0	199.0	214.0	222.0	212.0	228.0	232.0	251.0	228.0	223.0	214.0	203.0	207.0	-1.3	-2.4
PL	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	762.8	774.4	778.6	747.0	694.6	659.7	-8.1	.
PT	138.6	133.8	143.9	149.2	145.1	165.3	169.1	177.7	162.1	159.7	151.7	141.4	141.4	-3.2	2.0
SI	.	.	.	42.4	40.7	44.1	43.3	45.7	43.8	42.2	41.3	40.3	40.2	-3.3	.
SK	76.6	71.2	75.7	76.3	72.4	78.7	80.4	86.8	82.4	82.8	81.2	76.5	74.5	-5.8	-2.8
FI	190.1	189.0	202.1	208.5	198.1	211.7	206.8	212.1	201.1	196.6	192.0	181.9	184.4	-1.9	-3.0
SE	256.5	251.5	267.9	276.0	263.6	286.1	281.0	288.0	273.3	271.0	265.4	253.2	255.5	-2.3	-0.4
UK	1148.9	1102.8	1160.3	1160.6	1084.8	1186.0	1244.9	1344.3	1243.6	1238.3	1176.7	1105.9	1106.0	-3.2	-3.7
EU-25	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12168.8	11422.3	11281.7	10885.0	10443.6	10565.7	-2.1	.
EU-15	9302.5	8844.6	9260.4	9370.3	8902.4	9640.0	10204.7	10691.7	9921.0	9755.4	9393.1	9044.9	9231.2	-1.2	-0.8

The data for Belgium from August 2004 to October 2004 are estimates.

<sup>(1)</sup> Corrected data = monthly production / number of day per month x (366/12)

#### Annual situation

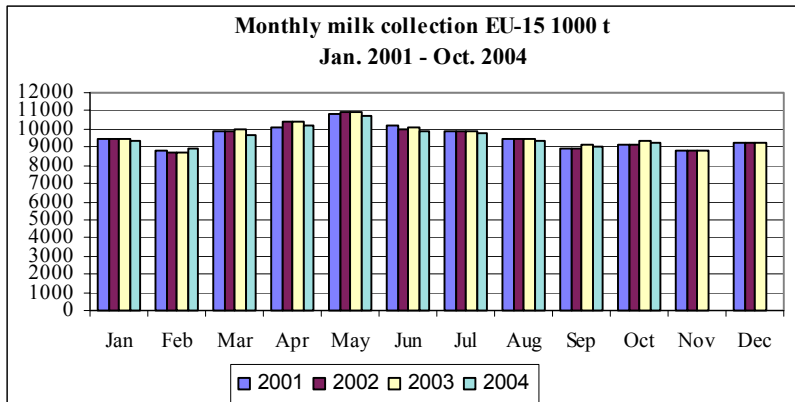
Cow's milk collection in October 2004 was lower than that in October 2003: - 0.8% for EU-15.

The current milk year is characterised by a cumulated monthly cow's milk collection lower than the average observed in previous years. For the first eight months of the milk year 2004/2005, the collection of milk by dairies was lower by 1242.4 (1000 t) relative to that of the previous marketing year for EU-15. This reduction of the collection in the first half of the season is due partially to reduced herd size, as a consequence of the climatic conditions (drought) of 2003 and partially to the change in the milk price paid to the producer.

In any event, this situation leaves the Member States a margin of their collection to increase within the permitted reference allocations.

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Source: Eurostat New Cronos 20/12/2004.

This fall in collection was particularly marked in France, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands and Spain.

Germany, largest producer and collector of cows' milk in Europe, reports a very slight overshoot relative to 2003.

## Further information:

### ➤ Reference publications

Title Agricultural statistics – Quarterly bulletin

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### ➤ Databases

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