## 2019 Michigan Milk Market Situation and Outlook

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## Michigan Farm Milk Financial Situation

 2018 is fourth consecutive year of low milk US farm milk prices

 Michigan farm milk prices lowest in US because of production/processing balance

## July 2018 Mailbox Milk Price

Source: Hoard's Dairyman



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## **Michigan Dairy Farm Profitability**

Year		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Milk Price	\$/cwt	13.44	20.21	19.41	13.31	16.88	20.65	18.67	20.63	24.28	17.06	15.07	17.14
ROE	%	5.4	13.3	7.5	-1.6	7.7	13.7	11.2	9.2	12.5	2.2	-1.4	0.7
ROA	%	5.5	11.3	7.0	-0.4	7.0	11.2	9.3	6.6	15.0	2.6	-0.1	1.5
ОРМ	%	19.4	33.1	23.1	1.8	23.9	33.5	30.3	26.2	31.2	10.4	-0.2	5.9
ATO	%	28.2	34.1	30.5	22.5	29.2	33.3	30.7	29.7	33.1	25.2	26.0	27.0

# Total per capita consumption milk equivalent: milkfat basis



## **US Milk Component Prices**

- Global milkfat consumption strong and supplies relatively tight
- US butterfat prices are driven by domestic issue
- Global milk protein supplies long
- US skim milk prices driven by world markets

### Per capita consumption dairy products



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## Farm Milk Price is Composed of:

## 1. Federal Milk Marketing Order prices

- Minimum prices
- Pooling/uniform price

## 2. State & Regional Market Aspects

- Cooperative and State/Region Issues
  - Balancing
  - Premiums

### 3. Farm Specifics

- Components
- Quality
- Hauling







#### CME Spot Cheddar Cheese Prices

#### CME Spot Dry Whey Prices



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Markets and Policy





#### **CME Spot Butter Prices**

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## Oct-18 CME Milk Contract Prices Over Past 120 Days











+1.1%

+1.5%

+5.5





2018 Milk

US

EU

NZ

3500

3000

2500

2000

1500

1000

500

0

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Production

first 8 months:



2015/16

-2016/17

- 2017/18

Aug

Sep Oct Nov Dec

Inf

In Australia and parts of EU drought resulted in forage shortages 20

Apr

#### Milk Production Change from Prior Year, Top 4 Global Suppliers



Feb. 16 adjusted for leap day. Latest month may include USDEC estimate.

#### U.S. Exports and Imports as % of Milk Production



## **Milk Market Coordination**

- The process by which supply and demand
  production and sales find a balance
- Difficult for milk because it is perishable, bulky, and must be sold daily
- Price plays a key role but other factors are important including physical impediments to delivery, natural variations in production and use, and business relationships

Source: A.M. Novakovic

## **Milk Market Coordination Challenges**

- Seasonal Balancing
  - Managing counter-seasonal milk production and demand
- Daily Balancing
  - Managing demand and supply shocks day-today
- Cyclical Balancing
  - Coordinating over long-run cycles

## **Long-run Cyclical Balancing**

- Growth in Michigan in past two decades reverses long-term declines
- Corresponds to growth in export markets
- Requires major investments in plants that can be commercially viable to supply world markets



## **Excess Milk Production**

- When milk supply is long or does not make it to a plant there are two possibilities:
  - Distressed milk sales: sold at a deep discount
  - Dumped milk

## **Distressed Milk Sales**

- Sometimes a portion of milk is sold at a deep discount or to an alternative customer
- These transactions are almost always initiated by a supplying cooperative.
- Discounts tend to be 30-70% of Class III or IV price

## **Dumped Milk**

- 0.2 to 0.4% of milk produced does not make it to the plant or is rejected because it is contaminated or spoiled.
  - Plant issues (breakdowns, maintenance) can result in spoiled and dumped milk
- 0 to 2% of milk is sometimes dumped for lack of a market.
  - May not leave the farm.

## Milk Dumped Mideast Order (pounds)







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## **Dairy Policy Issues**

### NAFTA 2.0

## California Milk Marketing Order

Farm Bill

Risk management programs

#### Dairy and NAFTA 2.0: 1. Eliminate Canada Class 7 Class 7 over the bod mill

- Before Class 7 system, US had milk protein price advantage
- Under Class 7, Canadians had price advantage and used it to displace US sales and begin exports to third countries (at below US prices).
- Under NAFTA 2.0 cost will be similar, competitive advantage will derive from transportation and lower processing costs
- Canada agrees to cap their exports of various powders

## NAFTA 2.0: Increased access to Canadian Market

- Canada agrees to a higher "market access" for US products.
- Once market access amounts are reached, tariffs are incurred as happens now.
- Quantities will increase annually in accord with market growth, for a period of time.
- This will phase in during 2019
- There is no automatic sunset provision.
#### **11 Federal Milk Marketing Order Areas**



## 2018 (2019?) Farm Bill

- <u>MPP-Dairy from 2014</u>: government program that allows protection of "all milk" price less feed cost using US averages at fixed premiums
  - Paid an average of \$0.62/cwt on first 5 million lbs in 2018

- New version increases margin to \$9 for a low premium
  - \$0.17/cwt premium

## **Margin Protection Program 2018**

					Net
	All Milk	Feed Cost	Margin	Payment @\$8	Payment
			\$/cwt		
January	16.10	7.99	8.11	0	-0.142
February	15.30	8.42	6.88	1.12	0.978
March	15.60	8.83	6.77	1.23	1.088
April	15.80	9.18	6.62	1.38	1.238
May	16.20	9.42	6.78	1.22	1.078
June	16.30	8.94	7.36	0.64	0.498
July	15.40	8.68	6.72	1.28	1.138
August	15.90	8.47	7.43	0.57	0.428
September	16.83	8.34	8.49	0	-0.142
October	17.31	8.35	8.96	0	-0.142
November	17.49	8.35	9.14	0	-0.142
December	17.64	8.41	9.23	0	-0.142
Average	16.32	8.62	7.71	0.62	0.478

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## For 5 million lbs in Tier 1, 2018

Payment	<b>Gross Monthly</b>	Net Monthly
	\$	\$
	0.00	-591.67
	4,666.67	4,075.00
	5,125.00	4,533.33
Note: \$8/cwt coverage	5,750.00	5,158.33
Premium =\$0.142/cwt	5,083.33	4,491.67
	2,666.67	2,075.00
	5,333.33	4,741.67
	2,375.00	1,783.33
	0.00	-591.67
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Average	2,583.33	1,991.67
Total	31,000.00	23,900.00



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## 2019 Farm Bill Dairy Subtitle: MPP Replacement Policy Details

- Extend program through 2023
- Maintain existing production history calculation (highest of 2011, 2012, or 2013)
- Eliminate minimum 25% production history coverage requirement
- Add covered margin levels of \$8.50 and \$9.00.cwt

## **2019 Farm Bill Dairy Title**

	Senate	House
MPP Name	Dairy Risk Management Program	Dairy Risk Coverage Program
Coverage decision timing	Allows annual decisions	One decision for entire 5 years
Premiums	Increase premiums on lower coverage and Tier II; Discounts premiums for small (<2 mil lbs) and medium herds (2-10 mil lbs)	Lowers premiums for Tier I and increases for Tier II
Feed cost formula	Status quo	Increases feed cost
LGM participation	Not allowed	Allowed

#### Dairy Farm Risk Management Programs and Policies

- LGM-Dairy: insurance program that that protects class III milk price less feed costs using futures and options prices
- Dairy Revenue Protection (Dairy RP): new program on sale October 9. Covers the difference between final revenue guarantee and actual milk revenue a quarter of the year.
  - Basket of milk price put options with payment adjusted by yield and protection factors

#### How is milk priced? Expected Prices – E.g. Class III Milk,<sup>45</sup> Q4 2019



#### Dairy Revenue Protection Sales As of Oct. 22, 2018



Source: Marin Bozic, University of Minnesota



# 2019 Michigan Mailbox



### **2019 Milk Price Forecast**

Price	<b>CME Futures</b>	USDA
Class III	\$15.95	\$15.30-16.20
Class IV	\$15.60	\$14.35-15.35
US All Milk		\$16.85-17.75
Michigan mailbox	\$15.35-15.85	

## Conclusions

- Tighter world supplies leave US milk markets one supply shock from higher prices
- More of the same in 2019 for processing and Michigan basis issues
- 2019 Farm Bill may provide significant payments