

Domain: Industry

The quantity of cow's milk collected by processing units down 3.2%

- The quantity of cow's milk collected by processing units from agricultural holdings and collection centres in March 2015 increased by 28.3% compared to February 2015 and was down 3.2% from March 2014.
- The quantity of cow's milk collected by processing units from agricultural holdings and collection centres in the first quarter of 2015 fell by 6.9% compared to the first quarter of 2014.

The quantity of milk collected by processing units and milk products obtained

	MU	Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	1.I-31.III. 2014	1.I-31.III. 2015
Cow's milk collected by processing units	tonnes	80028	60400	77464	216837	201923
Average fat content	%	3.78	3.81	3.77	3.80	3.79
Average protein content	%	3.27	3.27	3.27	3.28	3.27
Imported raw milk	tonnes	8018	9643	7860	28295	24730
Milk products obtained						
Drinking milk	tonnes	21096	22688	22919	64367	68907
Cream	tonnes	4412	5221	5356	13996	16177
Acidified milk ^{*)}	tonnes	14152	15573	14907	44691	46540
Butter	tonnes	766	911	946	2346	2680
Cheese products – total –	tonnes	5949	4986	6230	15956	16130
of which: cheese obtained exclusively from cow's milk	tonnes	5518	4660	5844	14770	15063

The data for the year 2014 are final, and the ones for the year 2015 are provisional.

^{*)} It includes yogurt, drinking yogurt, curd and others.

March 2015 compared to February 2015

The quantity of cow's milk collected by processing units in March 2015 increased by 17064 tonnes (+28.3%) compared to the previous month.

Of the main milk products, the most significant increase in production was recorded for cheese products, including the cheese obtained exclusively from cow's milk (93.8% of the total production of cheese products), with 1244 more tonnes produced (+24.9%) in March 2015 than in February 2015, followed by butter, for which a 35 tonne rise (+3.8%) was reported, cream, with 135 more tonnes produced (+2.6%), and drinking milk, for which a 231 tonne rise (+1.0%) was reported.

A decrease in production was recorded for acidified milk (yogurt, drinking yogurt, curd and others), with 666 less tonnes produced (-4.3%) in March 2015 than the previous month.

The quantity of imported raw milk decreased by 1783 tonnes (-18.5%) in March 2015 compared to February 2015.

March 2015 compared to March 2014

The quantity of cow's milk collected by processing units in March 2015 was down 2564 tonnes (-3.2%) from the same month of the previous year.

The following increases in production were recorded for the main milk products in March 2015 compared to the same month of 2014: 180 tonnes (+23.5%) for butter, 944 tonnes (+21.4%) for cream, 1823 tonnes (+8.6%) for drinking milk, 755 tonnes (+5.3%) for acidified milk (yogurt, drinking yogurt, curd and others), and 281 tonnes (+4.7%) for cheese products, including the cheese obtained exclusively from cow's milk.

The quantity of imported raw milk decreased by 158 tonnes (-2.0%) in March 2015 compared to March 2014.

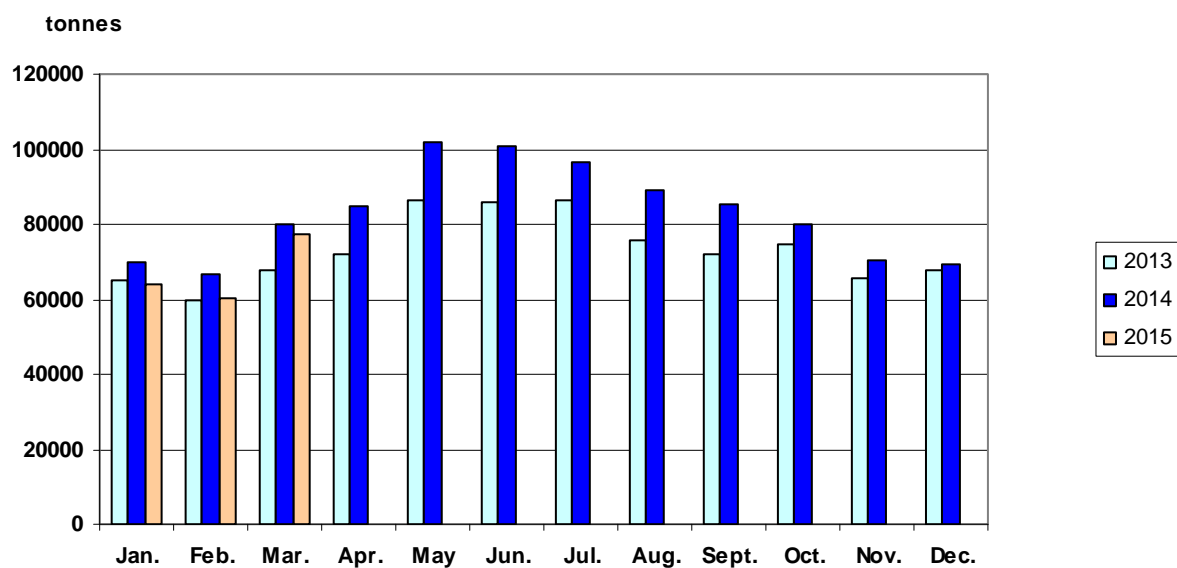
The first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014

The quantity of cow's milk collected by processing units in the first quarter of 2015 decreased by 14914 tonnes (-6.9%) compared to the first quarter of 2014.

The highest increases in production in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014 were recorded for cream, with 2181 more tonnes produced (+15.6%), butter, for which a 334 tonne rise (+14.2%) was reported, drinking milk, with 4540 more tonnes produced (+7.1%), acidified milk (yogurt, drinking yogurt and others), for which a 1849 tonne rise (+4.1%) was reported, and cheese products, including the cheese obtained exclusively from cow's milk (93.4% of the total production of cheese products), with 174 more tonnes produced (+1.1%).

The quantity of imported raw milk decreased by 3565 tonnes (-12.6%) in the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014.

Evolution of the quantity of cow's milk collected by processing units



Further information:

For an accurate interpretation of the indicators, please see the [Methodological explanations](#) attached to the press release on the homepage.

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