



USDA does not report state-level milk production for most of the Southeast. However, it is clear that output in the region is on the rise. With fluid milk demand perpetually sliding, there is little need for milk from other regions to supply the Class I market in the Southeast. USDA reports that Florida brought in 90 loads of milk from out of state at this time last year, but the Sunshine State was entirely self-sufficient this week. Thus, milk is backing up in the rest of the country and manufacturers are running near capacity even before the holidays further reduce fluid demand. Balancing plants are likely to run full throttle next week, and dairy product prices could fall under additional pressure