For more detailed data, see the Census of Agriculture found at www.agcensus.usda.gov

Production of all cheese, excluding cottage cheese, totaled 405.4 million pounds in 2012, down 1.6 percent from 2011. Production of all types of Italian cheeses decreased 2.9 percent to 248,953 million pounds. Pennsylvania ranks 7th in total cheese production.

Other Pennsylvania dairy rankings: 6th in butter; 8th in

total lowfat ice cream; and 14th in hard milk sherbet.

Data is collected by mail and telephone interviews following the close of each month. There were 79 manufacturers in the State that made 1 or more of these products in 2012.



Pennsylvania: Specified Dairy Products Manufactured, Monthly, 2012

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Product	Plants	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
	Number	(1,000 pounds)												
Cheese, Italian, total	13	23,443	21,813	21,218	23,943	22,392	21,127	19,385	18,337	17,791	17,887	18,541	23,076	248,953
Cheese, total	35	35,315	33,323	35,580	35,439	35,057	35,214	31,096	33,130	30,838	32,325	32,258	35,802	405,377
		(1,000 gallons)												
Ice cream, lowfat, total ¹	(D)	986	1,250	1,594	1,571	1,689	1,666	1,653	1,556	1,197	1,003	787	756	15,708
Ice cream mix, lowfat 2	13	354	425	582	574	634	631	625	563	432	343	267	236	5,666

⁽D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations or when the top two states for a commodity are not publishable.

1 Includes hard, soft-serve, and freezer-made milkshake.

² Includes milkshake mix.