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New York Cheese Production Up 2 Percent in 2015

ALBANY, NY - Total cheese production in New York, excluding cottage cheeses, was 801.4 million pounds, 2 percent above 2014 production, according to Blair Smith, State Statistician, of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), New York Field Office.

Italian varieties, with 351.0 million pounds were 5 percent below 2014 production and accounted for 44 percent of total cheese in 2015. Mozzarella accounted for 54 percent of the Italian production, at 189.3 million pounds, 7 percent below previous year. American cheese varieties totaled 134.2 million pounds in 2015, 3 percent above 2014.

Lowfat cottage cheese production at 103.5 million pounds was down 6 percent from 2014. Creamed cottage cheese production at 82.7 million pounds was up 3 percent from 2014. Cottage cheese curd production at 104.5 million pounds was up 3 percent from 2014.

Sour cream production during 2015 totaled 262.7 million pounds, 4 percent below last year. Dry Whey totaled 148.8 million pounds, 5 percent above 2014.

Butter production during 2015 totaled 26.3 million pounds, up 20 percent from 2014.

Unsweetened condensed skim milk totaled 85.5 million pounds in 2015, up slightly from 2014.

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