



## Milk and Dairy Products

## Year 2021

Tirana, 07 July 2022: In 2021, the quantity of milk collected is approximately 115 thousand tonnes. According to the type, the collected quantity of cow's milk is about 94 thousand tons, collected quantity of sheep's milk is 13 thousand tons and the collected quantity of goat's milk is about 8 thousand tons. Compared to the year 2020, the collected quantity of cow's milk decreased by 7.4 %, while the collected quantity of sheep's and goat's milk increased by 26.3 % and 8.0 %, respectively.

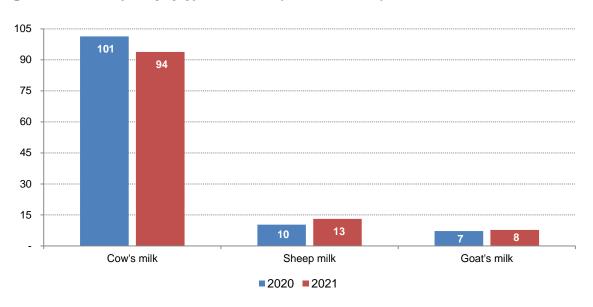
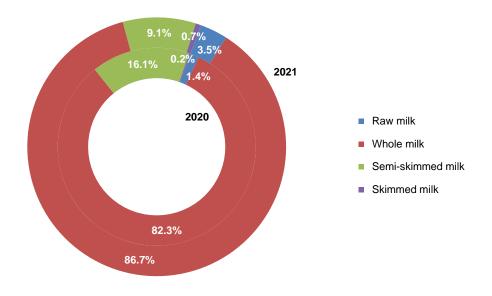


Fig. 1 Milk collected quantity by type 2020 - 2021, (thousand tonnes)

Source: Statistical survey of milk and milk products, INSTAT

From the total amount of milk collected, about 14 thousand tonnes was used for the production of milk for human consumption, the rest goes for processing. The structure of drinking milk produced is as below: whole milk 86.7 %, semi-skimmed milk 9.1 %, raw milk 3.5 % and skimmed milk 0.7 %.

Fig. 2 Drinking milk structure 2020 - 2021, (%)



Source: Statistical survey of milk and milk products, INSTAT

Tab. 1 Produced quantit	y of drinking milk, cre	eam and yoghurt 2021, (tonnes)
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No.	Durdurde	Year
	Products	2021
1	Drinking milk	13,955
1.1	Raw milk	484
1.2	Whole milk	12,106
1.2.1	Pasteurized	11,753
12.2	UHT	353
1.3	Semi-skimmed milk	1,271
1.3.1	Pasteurized	722
1.3.2	UHT	549
1.4	Skimmed milk	94
1.4.1	Pasteurized	94
1.4.2	UHT	-
2	Cream	332
2.1	Of fat content by weight not exceeding 29 %	322
2.2	Of fat content by weight over 29 %	10
3	Acidified milk (yoghurts, drinking yoghurts and other)	15,134

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#### **Dairy products**

Cheese quantity produced by type of milk marked an increase by 12.0 % and butter production has decreased with 3.4 %, compared to the previous year. Meanwhile, a decrease with 6.1 % has shown the production of processed cheese, compared to the previous year.

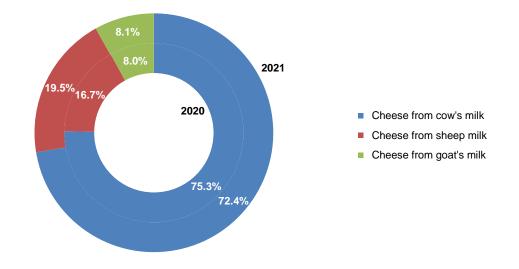


Fig. 3 The structure of cheese produced according to the type of milk 2020 - 2021, (%)

Source: Statistical survey of milk and milk products, INSTAT

#### Tab. 2 Dairy products 2021, (tonnes)

Products	Year
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Butter and other yellow-fat dairy products	783
Butter (Traditional)	763
Rendered butter	20
Cheese (by type of milk)	13,114
Cheese from cow's milk	9,492
Cheese from ewe milk	2,560
Cheese from goats milk	1,062
Processed cheese	436

Source: Statistical survey of milk and milk products, INSTAT

The structure of the cheese produced according to origin is as presented: cheese from cow's milk 72.4 %, cheese from sheep's milk 19.5 % and cheese from goat's milk 8.1 %, while its structure according to texture is: soft cheese 53.9 %, semi-hard cheese 22.9 %, other fresh products 14. 9% and hard cheese 8.3 %.

### Tab. 3 Cheese production by texture 2021, (tonnes)

Products	Year
	2021
Soft cheese	7,070
Medium-hard cheese	2,998
Hard cheese	1,082
Fresh cheese (curd etc.)	1,964

# Methodology

The Milk and dairy-products survey is a statistical survey carried out at enterprises that collect and process milk in the territory of the Republic of Albania. The main objective of the annual milk survey is to provide complete information on the amount of milk collected (all types of milk) and its by-products.

The data on the milk collected and dairy products produced, object of this publication belong only to the quantity used by the industry which occupies only a part of the total milk production of the agricultural holdings. While the entire amount of milk produced is divided into several categories as follows:

- Feed for livestock
- Self consumption (from farmers)
- Processinjg on farm
- Sells direct to consumers
- Sells to industry

The sample selection was based on the economic activity of the enterprise under the Rev2 Nomenclature of Economic Activities. In the Milk and dairy-product survey all the milk-collecting and processing enterprises are selected.

Sources used for sample selection:

- · Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
- National Food Authority
- Statistical Register, INSTAT

Reference period: Data on the Milk and its by-products survey refers to the calendar year 01 January 2021 - 31 December 2021.

Data collection in the field work is done over a month and all selected enterprises were surveyed through a face to face interview.

Definitions are in accordance with regulations and decisions of Eurostat (Commission Decision No 97/80 / EC, Council Directive 96/16 / EC, Annex 1).

Collected raw milk (all milk) and cream filled by all dairies that buy milk (all milk) and cream direct from farmers or have their own produced milk. Include the amount collected raw milk (all milk) on the territory of ALBANIA.

The content of fat and protein in the milk (all milk) and cream which is collected during the reference year is displayed as a percentage of the average content.

Produced quantities of dairy products. Data represent the amount of all dairy products produced during the reference year.

Drinking milk: is milk produced for consumption in packages of 2I or less/more.

It includes raw milk, processed milk, semi-skimmed milk, skimmed milk.

*Pasteurized Milk:* Milk that has been exposed briefly to high temperatures to destroy microorganisms and prevent fermentation.

*UHT Milk:* Ultra-high temperature processing (UHT), ultra-heat treatment, or ultra-pasteurization above 135 °C (275 °F).

Buttermilk: is residual product (may be acid or acidified) of the processing of milk or cream into butter.

*Cream:* a fat layer that it is formed naturally on the surface of milk. Obtained from the surface of milk to or extracted from milk by the process of centrifugation. The cream has a high fat content (typically over 10%). It includes direct consumer cream, which contains more or less than 29% of milk fat.

*Acidified milk products:* include yoghurts, drinkable yoghurts, sour milk, acidified milk and other fermented products.

*Butter and other yellow-fat products:* are products with a milk fat content equal to 82% by weight of the product, maximum water content of 16% and maximum dry non-fat milk material content of 2%.

*Cheese shall be a fresh or matured*: solid or semi-solid obtained by coagulating skimmed milk, semiskimmed milk, cream, whey cream, or buttermilk alone or in combination by the action of rennet or other suitable coagulating agents.

Soft cheese: cheese in which the MFFB when refined is in general not less than 68 %.

*Semi-soft cheese:* cheese in which the MFFB when refined is in general not less than 62 % and less than 68 %.

*Semi-hard cheese:* cheese in which the MFFB when refined is in general not less than 55 % and less than 62 %.

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*Hard cheese:* cheese in which the MFFB when refined is in general not less than 47 % and less than 55 %.

*Fresh cheese:* product obtained from sour milk from which most of the serum has been removed (e.g. by draining or pressing). Also includes curds (other than in powder form) containing up to 30 % by weight in the form of sugar and added fruits.

- Includes fresh whey cheese (obtained by concentrating whey and adding milk or milk fat).

Processed cheese product obtained by grinding, mixing, melting and emulsifying under the action of heat and with the aid of emulsifying agents one or more varieties of cheese, with or without the addition of milk components and/or other foodstuffs.