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Low/medium heat nonfat dry milk (NDM) prices firmed across the board. Mexican demand has started to push volumes in the southerly direction from the Central U.S. region, and domestic end users in the East are more active in recent weeks. The high end of the price range, for instance, was reported from eastern sourced plants. All that being said, condensed skim loads are widely available in both regions. A few contacts have suggested this will likely be the case until summer heat suppresses farm milk output more noticeably. NDM production is generally busy, but plant downtime continues to play a role in limited finished output. Contacts say aging plant machinery, which has become harder to update/maintain due to limitations on the myriad machinery parts and tools which goes into drying facilities, is playing a role. High heat NDM prices also firmed on the bottom of the range. Trading activity for all varieties of NDM was busy this week. Market tones are firm near-term, but some contacts are still positing a rangebound quality to NDM markets.

Prices for: Eastern and Central U.S., All First Sales, F.O.B., Extra Grade & Grade A, , Conventional, and Edible Nonfat Dry Milk	
Price Range - Low & Medium Heat; \$/LB:	1.1200 - 1.2500
Mostly Range - Low & Medium Heat; \$/LB:	1.1600 - 1.2000

## Prices for: Eastern and Central U.S., All First Sales, F.O.B., Extra Grade & Grade A, , Conventional, and Edible Nonfat Dry Milk

Price Range - High Heat; \$/LB:

1.2600 - 1.3100

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