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Where's The Milk.....???

United States milk production for 2005 increased by 3.5% compared with 2004 to a record 177.0 billion. The 2005 total was 6.1 billion pounds greater than 2004's record of 170.9 billion pounds. Milk production has exceeded year earlier levels in eight of the last nine years, with the lone exception occurring during 2001. Since 1991, there have only been three years during which total milk production decreased from year earlier levels -- 1993, 1996, and 2001.



This bulletin addresses the question, "Where's The Milk" being produced and utilized? The map graphics and data tables contained in this bulletin illustrate regional production of milk, cheese, butter, nonfat dry milk, and ice cream. The top number shown in each region provides the proportion of total 2005 U.S. production for the product depicted by the respective map. The bottom number provides the percentage change, on an average daily basis, in production of the product comparing 2005 with 2000.

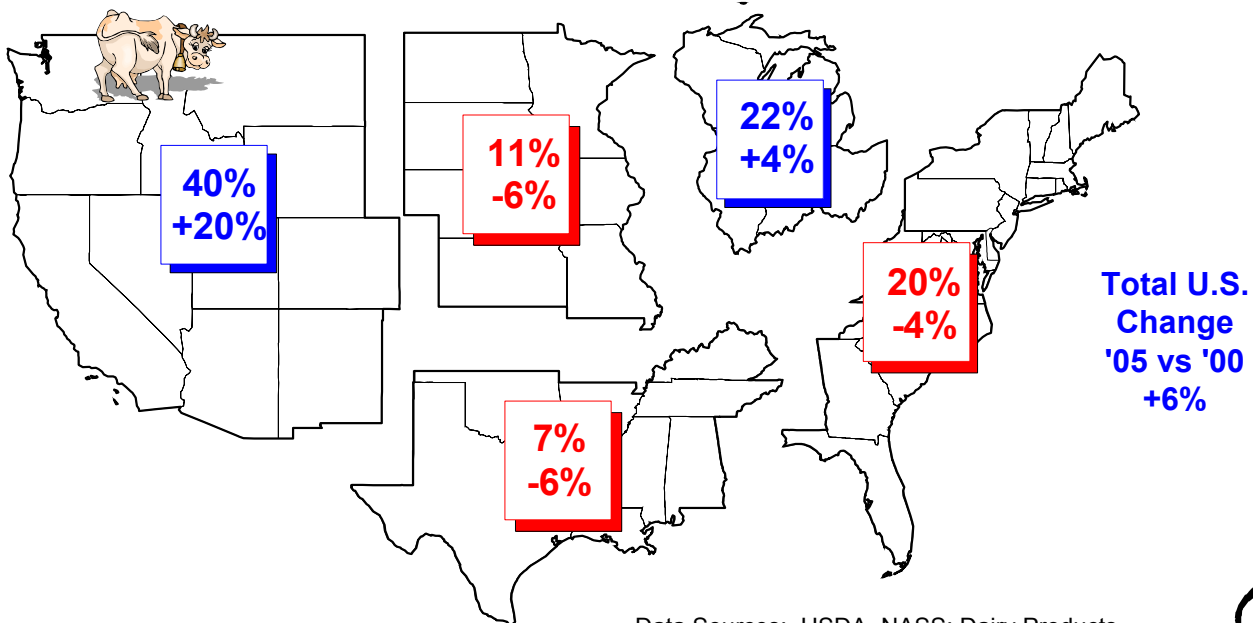
The West and East North Central (ENC) Regions increased milk production from 2000 levels - these increases more than offset the decreases from the three other regions. The West Region accounted for 40.34% of U.S. milk production in 2005, up 20.11% on a daily basis compared with 2000. The ENC Region accounted for 22.30% of total U.S. production, with production increasing by 4.32% versus 2000. The data table for milk production can be found on the back page of this bulletin.

U.S. milk production in 2005 increased 9.6 billion pounds compared with 2000. The additional milk required to meet increased cheese production during the same period was approximately 8.7 billion pounds.

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Regional Milk Production As A Percent Of 2005 Total U.S. Milk Production With Percent Change In Production: 2005 vs 2000

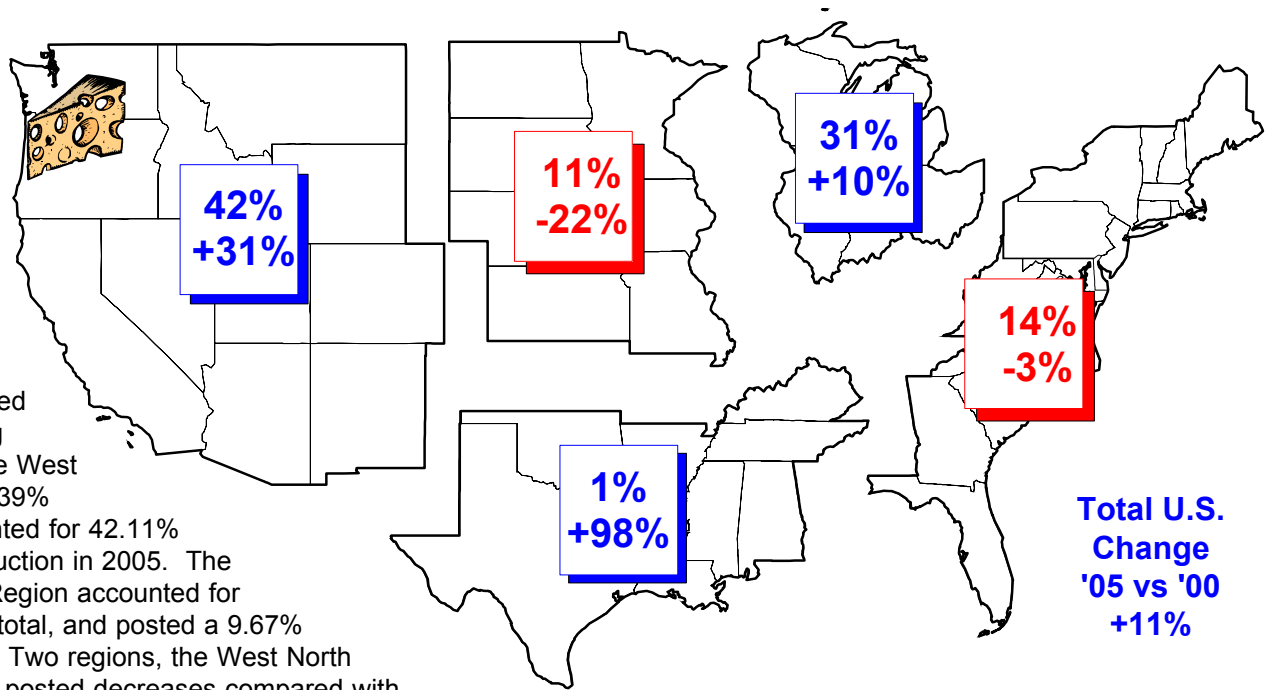


Data Sources: USDA, NASS: Dairy Products April 2006 & Milk Production February 2006.



Regional Cheese Production As A Percent Of 2005 Total U.S. Cheese Production With Percent Change In Production: 2005 vs 2000

U.S. cheese production totaled 9.127 billion pounds during 2005. On a daily basis, the 2005 total was an increase of 3.11% compared with 2004, and it is 10.83% greater than the amount produced in 2000. As depicted by the accompanying map, three regions recorded increases comparing 2005 with 2000. The West Region posted a 31.39% increase and accounted for 42.11% of U.S. cheese production in 2005. The East North Central Region accounted for 31.23% of the 2005 total, and posted a 9.67% increase over 2000. Two regions, the West North Central and Atlantic, posted decreases compared with 2000. These regions recorded declines of 21.86% and 2.95%, respectively. Although the South Central Region increased production by 98% compared with 2000, it accounted for just 1.17% of total U.S. cheese production in 2005.



Total U.S. Cheese Production By Region (Thousand Lbs.)

Milk used in cheese production in the West region increased approximately 9.1 billion lbs. from 2000 to 2005. For comparison purposes, Minnesota's 2005 milk production totaled 8.2 billion lbs.

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West	Total
2000	1,325,296	2,606,420	1,338,735	54,337	2,933,210	8,257,998
2001	1,290,457	2,545,063	1,214,400	52,980	3,026,194	8,129,094
2002	1,305,841	2,657,669	1,215,918	73,266	3,294,573	8,547,267
2003	1,298,637	2,697,121	1,079,246	87,547	3,394,692	8,557,243
2004	1,301,021	2,776,329	1,077,099	88,144	3,633,870	8,876,463
2005	1,282,696	2,850,589	1,043,265	107,221	3,843,336	9,127,107

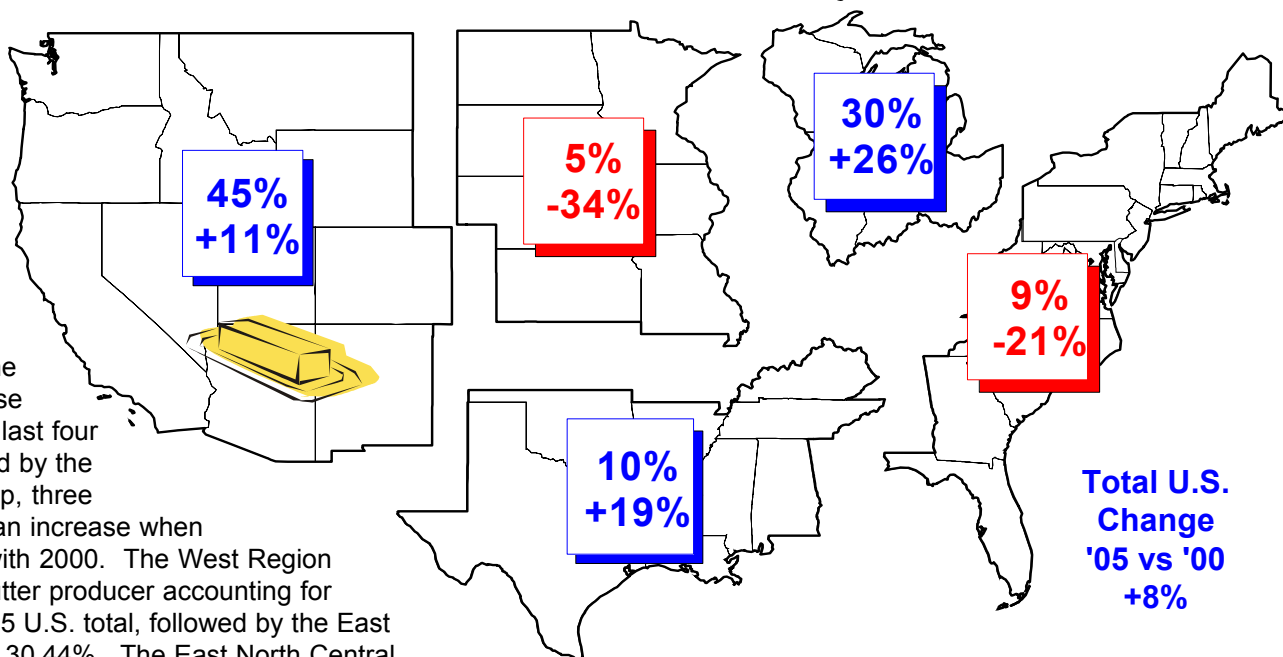
As A Percent Of Total Production

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West
2000	16.05	31.56	16.21	0.66	35.52
2001	15.87	31.31	14.94	0.65	37.23
2002	15.28	31.09	14.23	0.86	38.55
2003	15.18	31.52	12.61	1.02	39.67
2004	14.66	31.28	12.13	0.99	40.94
2005	14.05	31.23	11.43	1.17	42.11

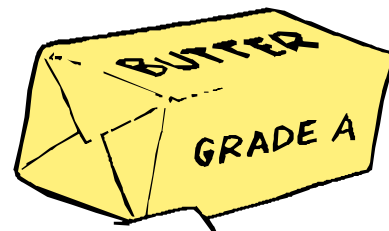
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Regional Butter Production As A Percent Of 2005 Total U.S. Butter Production With Percent Change In Production: 2005 vs 2000

U.S. butter production increased by 7.55% on a daily basis comparing 2005 with 2000. Butter production totaled 1.347 billion pounds during 2005 -- up 8.10% on a daily basis from 2004. This was the third yearly increase recorded over the last four years. As depicted by the accompanying map, three regions recorded an increase when comparing 2005 with 2000. The West Region was the largest butter producer accounting for 44.79% of the 2005 U.S. total, followed by the East North Central with 30.44%. The East North Central Region also posted the largest percentage gain compared with 2000, with an increase of 25.69%. The West North Central region had the largest decrease (-34.16%) and produced the least butter during 2005, accounting for 5.45% of the total.



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Total U.S. Butter Production By Region (Thousand Lbs.)

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West	Total
2000	153,671	327,169	111,766	117,766	545,660	1,256,032
2001	139,578	368,168	105,711	110,593	507,788	1,231,838
2002	149,355	388,236	113,998	146,785	556,773	1,355,147
2003	125,288	345,685	101,861	134,443	535,083	1,242,360
2004	116,703	340,945	120,293	124,784	546,953	1,249,678
2005	120,407	410,099	73,387	139,915	603,419	1,347,227

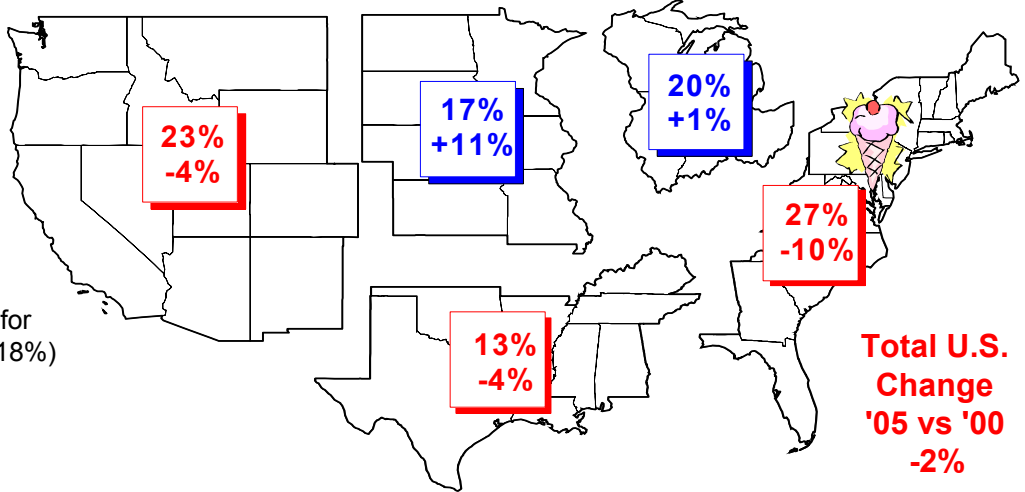
As A Percent Of Total Production

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West
2000	12.23	26.05	8.90	9.38	43.44
2001	11.33	29.89	8.58	8.98	41.22
2002	11.02	28.65	8.41	10.83	41.09
2003	10.08	27.82	8.20	10.82	43.07
2004	9.34	27.28	9.63	9.99	43.77
2005	8.94	30.44	5.45	10.39	44.79

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U.S. ice cream production decreased by 2.45% on a daily basis comparing 2005 with 2000. Ice cream production totaled 0.953 billion gallons during 2005, down from 0.980 billion gallons in 2000. As depicted by the accompanying map, three regions recorded decreases comparing 2005 with 2000. The Atlantic Region accounted for the largest proportion of U.S. ice cream production at 26.68%, yet this region posted the largest percentage decrease with a loss of 9.78%. The West-North Central region accounted for the largest percentage increase (+11.18%) during the 2005 vs. 2000 time period.

Regional Ice Cream Production As A Percent Of 2005 Total U.S. Ice Cream Production With Percent Change In Production: 2005 vs 2000



Total U.S. Ice Cream Production By Region (Thousand Gallons)

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West	Total
2000	282,633	193,159	142,796	127,670	233,387	979,645
2001	276,337	193,108	146,920	121,940	231,816	970,121
2002	301,581	201,164	165,026	124,727	212,494	1,004,992
2003	288,968	204,992	159,330	115,876	223,710	992,876
2004	258,495	201,821	152,323	114,554	216,466	943,659
2005	254,297	194,712	158,332	122,409	223,280	953,030

As A Percent Of Total Production

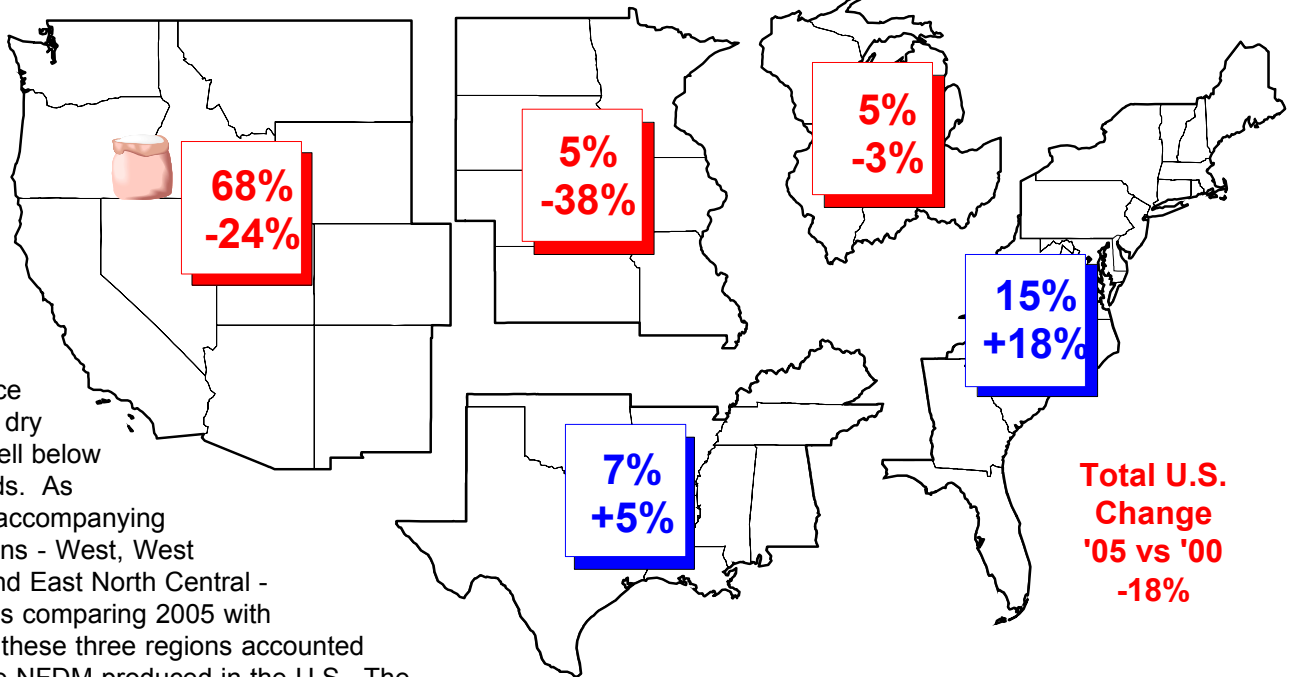
	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West
2000	28.85	19.72	14.58	13.03	23.82
2001	28.48	19.91	15.14	12.57	23.90
2002	30.01	20.02	16.42	12.41	21.14
2003	29.10	20.65	16.05	11.67	22.53
2004	27.39	21.39	16.14	12.14	22.94
2005	26.68	20.43	16.61	12.84	23.43

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	Statistical Uniform Price		Producer Price Differential		Class I Utilization	
	May '06	Apr '06	May '06	Apr '06	May '06	Apr '06
Northeast	12.61	12.64	1.78	1.71	43.23	41.46
Appalachian	13.05	13.01	-----	-----	60.54	56.25
Florida	14.28	14.36	-----	-----	80.43	79.12
Southeast	12.90	12.94	-----	-----	54.48	50.67
Upper Midwest	11.21	11.29	0.38	0.36	16.92	16.13
Central	11.42	11.49	0.59	0.56	25.81	25.90
Mideast	11.65	11.75	0.82	0.82	35.44	34.17
Pacific Northwest	11.30	11.35	0.47	0.42	27.04	25.84
Southwest	12.26	12.41	1.43	1.48	33.71	35.55
Arizona-Las Vegas	11.62	11.66	-----	-----	34.28	32.26

Regional NFDM Production As A Percent Of 2005 Total U.S. NFDM Production With Percent Change In Production: 2005 vs 2000

U.S. nonfat dry milk production decreased by 18.07% on a daily basis, comparing 2005 with 2000. Production totalled 1.186 billion pounds in 2005, and was the first year since 1998 that nonfat dry milk production fell below 1.2 billion pounds. As depicted by the accompanying map, three regions - West, West North Central, and East North Central - posted decreases comparing 2005 with 2000. Together these three regions accounted for 78.13% of the NFDM produced in the U.S. The West Region accounted for the greatest proportion of production at 68.37% of the U.S. total. The Atlantic Region produced the second most nonfat dry milk with 15.24% of the total.



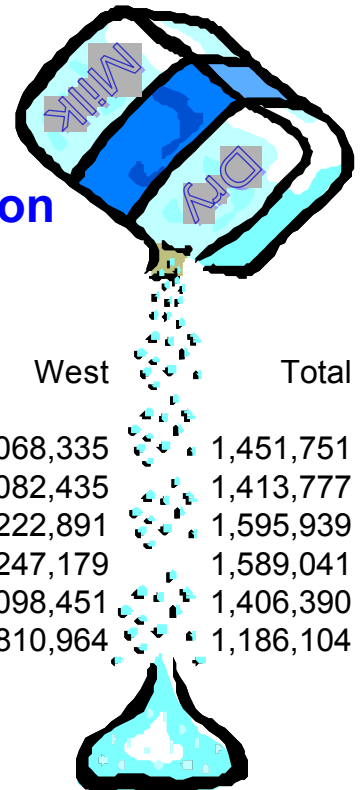
Total U.S. Nonfat Dry Milk Production By Region (Thousand Lbs.)

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West	Total
2000	153,642	57,205	97,360	75,209	1,068,335	1,451,751
2001	147,823	48,493	77,085	57,941	1,082,435	1,413,777
2002	171,276	52,853	75,320	73,599	1,222,891	1,595,939
2003	157,620	48,314	67,313	68,615	1,247,179	1,589,041
2004	153,478	35,570	59,584	59,307	1,098,451	1,406,390
2005	180,817	55,131	60,559	78,633	810,964	1,186,104

As A Percent Of Total Production

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West
2000	10.58	3.94	6.71	5.18	73.59
2001	10.46	3.43	5.45	4.10	76.56
2002	10.73	3.31	4.72	4.61	76.63
2003	9.92	3.04	4.24	4.32	78.49
2004	10.91	2.53	4.24	4.22	78.10
2005	15.24	4.65	5.11	6.63	68.37

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Total U.S. Milk Production

By Region (Million Lbs.)

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West	Total
2000	36,985	37,938	20,640	12,229	59,600	167,393
2001	36,286	36,951	19,336	11,288	61,470	165,331
2002	36,611	37,378	19,287	11,263	65,524	170,063
2003	35,100	38,117	19,063	11,160	66,955	170,395
2004	34,305	37,980	18,938	11,275	68,436	170,934
2005	35,238	39,468	19,407	11,486	71,390	176,989

As A Percent Of Total Production

	Atlantic	East-North Central	West-North Central	South Central	West	Total
2000	22.09	22.66	12.33	7.31	35.61	
2001	21.95	22.35	11.70	6.83	37.18	
2002	21.53	21.98	11.34	6.62	38.53	
2003	20.60	22.37	11.19	6.55	39.29	
2004	20.07	22.22	11.08	6.60	40.04	
2005	19.91	22.30	10.97	6.49	40.34	

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