

Amounts of deliveries and classification of raw milk purchased in the years 2000-2006 by one of dairies in the Podlasie region

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Data on milk purchase by one of dairy cooperatives in the Podlasie region were analysed in detail. The assessment concerned the amount and quality of raw milk purchased in the years 2000-2006. The data indicate that, in the region of eastern Poland, the hygienic and cytological quality of milk is improving. The amount of Extra class milk was about 99.1% of all the milk purchased in the year 2006 and was by as much as 38.4% higher compared with 2000. The studies showed that decrease in the number of milk suppliers delivering milk to the dairy plant (by 1222 farmers). The decrease was followed by an increase in milk performance of cows as well as the number of dairy cattle per one farm. The average milk amount delivered by one producer increased by 15 883 litres annually over the study period.