



Tony Rice Biography

As the Senior Director of Trade Policy for the National Milk Producers Federation (NMPF) and the U.S. Dairy Export Council (USDEC), Tony Rice develops, implements and communicates policies that promote U.S. dairy exports, seeks removal of policies that impede those exports and address foreign barriers to U.S. dairy sales. Rice leads supply chain policy for both organizations, with experience testifying before the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative on issues related to supply chain resilience and helping shape and implement supply chain legislation to facilitate dairy exports.

A native of a Pennsylvania dairy farm, Rice has a master's degree in applied economics from Johns Hopkins University and an undergraduate degree in agribusiness management from Penn State University. He currently lives in Arlington, VA.

About NMPF and USDEC:

NMPF develops and carries out policies that advance the well-being of dairy producers and the cooperatives they own. The members of NMPF's cooperatives produce two thirds of the U.S. milk supply, making NMPF the voice of dairy producers on Capitol Hill and with government agencies. NMPF provides a forum through which dairy farmers and their cooperatives formulate policy on national issues that affect milk production and marketing. NMPF's contribution to this policy is aimed at improving the economic interests of dairy farmers, thus assuring the nation's consumers an adequate supply of pure, wholesome, and nutritious milk and dairy products.

USDEC is a non-profit, independent membership organization representing the global trade interests of U.S. dairy farmers, dairy processors and cooperatives, dairy ingredient suppliers and export trading companies. Its mission is to enhance U.S. global competitiveness and assist the U.S. industry to increase its global dairy ingredient sales and exports of U.S. dairy products. USDEC and its 130-plus member companies are supported by staff in the United States and overseas in Mexico, South America, Asia, Middle East and Europe.