

# MILK PRODUCTION

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## July milk production slightly below a year earlier

U. S. milk production in July is estimated at 10,165 million pounds, slightly less than a year earlier, and the least for July since 1936. June 1969 production has been revised slightly downward to 10,766 million pounds. Daily average production for July was down 9 percent from June, same seasonal decline as in 1968. July output provided 1.61 pounds of milk per person daily for all uses, compared with 1.77 pounds in June and 1.63 pounds a year earlier. Daily average production during the first seven months of 1969 was 1.2 percent less than in 1968.

July milk production was down in all States of the West North Central Region but mixed in other Regions of the U. S. In New York, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, milk production was up 1 to 2 percent from a year earlier, while Minnesota and California were down 4 and 1 percent, respectively.

## July rate per cow up 2 percent from a year earlier

Milk output per cow averaged 804 pounds during July, 2 percent more than a year earlier. Daily output per cow in July was 25.9 pounds, 8 percent less than in June, compared with a 9 percent decrease between these months in 1968. Production per cow was at record high levels for July in 45 States--highest in California at 1,020 pounds. Following were Washington, 950 pounds; Utah, 935 pounds; Alaska, 905 pounds and Nevada, 900 pounds.

## Milk-feed price ratio continues at record high levels

The July milk-feed price ratio of 1.66 was 1 percent above a year earlier and a record high for the month. Higher milk prices more than offset a small increase in ration value, causing the increased ratio. Seasonally, the ratio was up 3 percent from June. The highest regional ratio, 1.84, was reported in the South Atlantic; the lowest, 1.61, in the West.

## Grain and concentrate feeding up 7 percent from a year earlier

Grain and concentrate fed on August 1 averaged 10.1 pounds per milk cow--up 7 percent from a year earlier and a record high for the date. Feeding rates were above a year earlier in 33 States, and averaged 11 or more pounds per cow in 12 States. A year earlier 10 States were feeding 11 or more pounds of grain and concentrate per cow.

## Pastures continue good to excellent

Pastures continued in good to excellent condition over much of the Nation on August 1. The 82 percent of normal reported on August 1 equalled condition a year ago, and was 4 points above the 1958-67 average for the date.

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July temperatures averaged below normal in the northern third of the Nation and above normal in the southern two-thirds. As July progressed precipitation increased. On July 22 thunderstorms occurred in 44 States. However, precipitation for the month was below normal in most of the West, most southern States and a band from Minnesota eastward through Maine. Except for scattered southern areas, most Atlantic Coast States received above normal rainfall and pastures have responded favorably.

All North Atlantic States reported above average pasture condition on August 1. Only New Jersey and Pennsylvania reported condition above both last month and last year. New York, at 90 percent, had the highest reported condition in this group.

Pasture condition for the East North Central States ranged from 92 percent of normal in Wisconsin to 96 in Indiana. In a half century of records, Michigan's 93 percent was a record high for August 1. All West North Central States reported condition above both last year and the 10-year average for August 1. Condition ranged from 83 percent of normal in Missouri to 95 in Iowa--equalling the highest August 1 for that State since 1951. Nebraska at 89 percent was 24 percentage points above the low condition last year, and Kansas at 90 percent was 19 points higher and equalled the second best in a decade.

Three South Atlantic States, Maryland, South Carolina and Georgia, reported 75 percent, the lowest pasture condition in the region. South Carolina and Georgia were below average, last month and last year. All other States in the region were above average, Florida's 91 percent was up 10 points from July 1 and equalled the highest August 1 condition since 1924. Virginia reported 94 percent, up 10 points from last year.

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Table 1.--Milk per cow and milk production by months, United States

| Month            | Milk per cow |       |       | Milk production |         |          | Change<br>from 1968 |
|------------------|--------------|-------|-------|-----------------|---------|----------|---------------------|
|                  | 1967         | 1968  | 1969  | 1967            | 1968    | 1969     |                     |
|                  | Pounds       |       |       | Million pounds  |         |          | Percent             |
| January .....    | 713          | 721   | 735   | 9,802           | 9,546   | 9,407    | -1.5                |
| February .....   | 667          | 698   | 689   | 9,150           | 9,207   | 8,795    | -4.5                |
| March .....      | 762          | 773   | 784   | 10,407          | 10,169  | 9,983    | -1.8                |
| April .....      | 784          | 797   | 807   | 10,675          | 10,457  | 10,261   | -1.9                |
| May .....        | 837          | 858   | 869   | 11,360          | 11,227  | 11,046   | -1.6                |
| June .....       | 817          | 832   | 1/850 | 11,038          | 10,840  | 1/10,766 | -0.7                |
| July .....       | 767          | 785   | 804   | 10,326          | 10,201  | 10,165   | -0.4                |
| Jan.-July Total: | ---          | ---   | ---   | 72,758          | 71,647  | 70,423   | -1.7                |
| August .....     | 722          | 738   |       | 9,688           | 9,567   |          |                     |
| September .....  | 681          | 699   |       | 9,114           | 9,035   |          |                     |
| October .....    | 687          | 707   |       | 9,169           | 9,120   |          |                     |
| November .....   | 660          | 678   |       | 8,781           | 8,721   |          |                     |
| December .....   | 698          | 716   |       | 9,259           | 9,191   |          |                     |
| Annual .....     | 8,797        | 9,006 |       | 118,769         | 117,281 |          |                     |

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Table 2.-July milk per cow and milk production, by States

| State               | Milk per cow <sup>1/</sup> |              |                            |              | Milk production        |              |                            |              | Change from<br>July 1968 |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
|                     | July<br>1967               | July<br>1968 | June<br>1969 <sup>2/</sup> | July<br>1969 | July<br>1967           | July<br>1968 | June<br>1969 <sup>2/</sup> | July<br>1969 |                          |
|                     | --- Pounds ---             |              |                            |              | --- Million pounds --- |              |                            |              | Percent                  |
| Maine.....          | 800                        | 800          | 845                        | 825          | 56                     | 55           | 57                         | 55           | 0                        |
| New Hampshire.....  | 780                        | 780          | 825                        | 800          | 31                     | 30           | 31                         | 30           | 0                        |
| Vermont.....        | 750                        | 765          | 875                        | 800          | 159                    | 160          | 178                        | 163          | +2                       |
| Massachusetts.....  | 825                        | 830          | 905                        | 865          | 61                     | 57           | 60                         | 57           | 0                        |
| Rhode Island.....   | 830                        | 830          | 880                        | 835          | 7.3                    | 6.7          | 6.9                        | 6.5          | -3                       |
| Connecticut.....    | 810                        | 825          | 880                        | 850          | 56                     | 55           | 57                         | 55           | 0                        |
| New York.....       | 805                        | 800          | 935                        | 825          | 860                    | 830          | 958                        | 846          | +2                       |
| New Jersey.....     | 820                        | 835          | 900                        | 840          | 71                     | 65           | 67                         | 62           | -5                       |
| Pennsylvania.....   | 790                        | 800          | 850                        | 810          | 586                    | 582          | 614                        | 585          | +1                       |
| Ohio.....           | 825                        | 820          | 870                        | 845          | 406                    | 389          | 403                        | 390          | 0                        |
| Indiana.....        | 810                        | 850          | 900                        | 865          | 219                    | 213          | 217                        | 208          | -2                       |
| Illinois.....       | 820                        | 850          | 890                        | 885          | 288                    | 280          | 280                        | 278          | -1                       |
| Michigan.....       | 805                        | 830          | 880                        | 860          | 402                    | 391          | 416                        | 406          | +4                       |
| Wisconsin.....      | 835                        | 845          | 985                        | 885          | 1,610                  | 1,593        | 1,819                      | 1,632        | +2                       |
| Minnesota.....      | 780                        | 810          | 935                        | 815          | 851                    | 856          | 946                        | 822          | -4                       |
| Iowa.....           | 795                        | 820          | 890                        | 835          | 482                    | 465          | 477                        | 446          | -4                       |
| Missouri.....       | 790                        | 805          | 820                        | 800          | 312                    | 305          | 302                        | 294          | -4                       |
| North Dakota.....   | 710                        | 740          | 800                        | 730          | 122                    | 115          | 116                        | 105          | -9                       |
| South Dakota.....   | 695                        | 750          | 800                        | 760          | 146                    | 152          | 156                        | 147          | -3                       |
| Nebraska.....       | 705                        | 725          | 755                        | 730          | 159                    | 152          | 150                        | 145          | -5                       |
| Kansas.....         | 650                        | 680          | 725                        | 675          | 143                    | 144          | 149                        | 138          | -4                       |
| Delaware.....       | 720                        | 730          | 770                        | 760          | 11.5                   | 11.0         | 10.8                       | 10.6         | -4                       |
| Maryland.....       | 725                        | 740          | 740                        | 755          | 126                    | 126          | 126                        | 128          | +2                       |
| Virginia.....       | 665                        | 700          | 730                        | 740          | 160                    | 162          | 164                        | 166          | +2                       |
| West Virginia.....  | 550                        | 550          | 570                        | 570          | 40                     | 37           | 36                         | 36           | -3                       |
| North Carolina..... | 630                        | 645          | 660                        | 660          | 125                    | 124          | 125                        | 125          | +1                       |
| South Carolina..... | 585                        | 575          | 595                        | 595          | 43                     | 41           | 42                         | 42           | +2                       |
| Georgia.....        | 590                        | 615          | 620                        | 630          | 84                     | 85           | 87                         | 88           | +4                       |
| Florida.....        | 690                        | 680          | 695                        | 670          | 125                    | 123          | 126                        | 122          | -1                       |
| Kentucky.....       | 655                        | 660          | 665                        | 665          | 249                    | 242          | 235                        | 234          | -3                       |
| Tennessee.....      | 590                        | 605          | 630                        | 620          | 205                    | 199          | 197                        | 193          | -3                       |
| Alabama.....        | 440                        | 460          | 480                        | 480          | 66                     | 66           | 66                         | 66           | 0                        |
| Mississippi.....    | 445                        | 460          | 485                        | 480          | 98                     | 96           | 97                         | 96           | 0                        |
| Arkansas.....       | 610                        | 630          | 665                        | 660          | 66                     | 64           | 65                         | 64           | 0                        |
| Louisiana.....      | 440                        | 460          | 495                        | 505          | 83                     | 83           | 86                         | 87           | +5                       |
| Oklahoma.....       | 715                        | 715          | 750                        | 740          | 114                    | 111          | 113                        | 112          | +1                       |
| Texas.....          | 670                        | 695          | 740                        | 735          | 257                    | 254          | 249                        | 247          | -3                       |
| Montana.....        | 700                        | 730          | 780                        | 730          | 35                     | 34           | 34                         | 32           | -6                       |
| Idaho.....          | 840                        | 850          | 885                        | 835          | 131                    | 133          | 139                        | 130          | -2                       |
| Wyoming.....        | 705                        | 730          | 760                        | 735          | 14.4                   | 14.2         | 14.4                       | 14.0         | -1                       |
| Colorado.....       | 740                        | 740          | 765                        | 755          | 72                     | 73           | 78                         | 77           | +5                       |
| New Mexico.....     | 660                        | 710          | 705                        | 730          | 25                     | 27           | 26                         | 27           | 0                        |
| Arizona.....        | 845                        | 865          | 900                        | 885          | 43                     | 44           | 47                         | 46           | +5                       |
| Utah.....           | 860                        | 910          | 920                        | 935          | 65                     | 68           | 72                         | 73           | +7                       |
| Nevada.....         | 880                        | 880          | 885                        | 900          | 11.9                   | 12.1         | 12.2                       | 12.4         | +2                       |
| Washington.....     | 895                        | 935          | 1,010                      | 950          | 174                    | 172          | 184                        | 174          | +1                       |
| Oregon.....         | 810                        | 835          | 870                        | 835          | 93                     | 94           | 95                         | 91           | -3                       |
| California.....     | 985                        | 1,020        | 995                        | 1,020        | 768                    | 797          | 767                        | 789          | -1                       |
| Alaska.....         | 840                        | 880          | 885                        | 905          | 1.60                   | 1.58         | 1.59                       | 1.63         | +3                       |
| Hawaii.....         | 875                        | 820          | 865                        | 895          | 12.5                   | 11.0         | 10.9                       | 11.1         | +1                       |
| United States.....  | 767                        | 785          | 850                        | 804          | 10,326                 | 10,201       | 10,766                     | 10,165       | -0.4                     |

<sup>1/</sup> Monthly rate based on all milk cows on farms (in milk or dry).<sup>2/</sup> Revised.

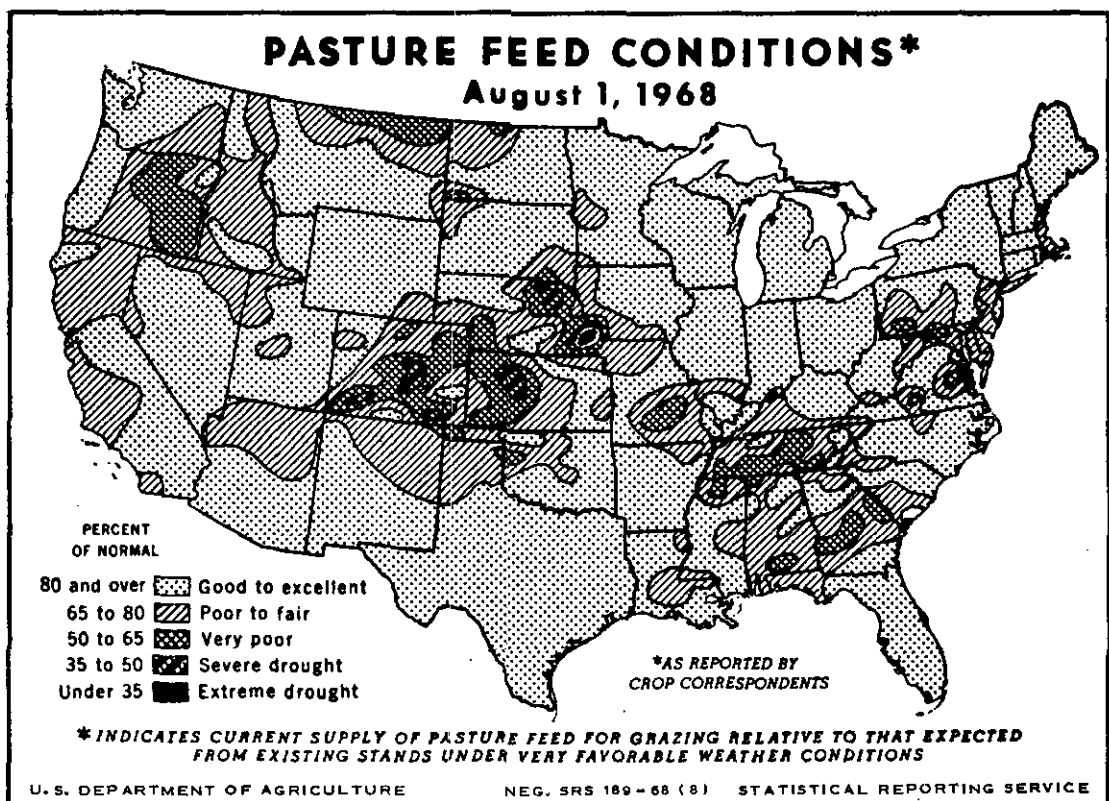
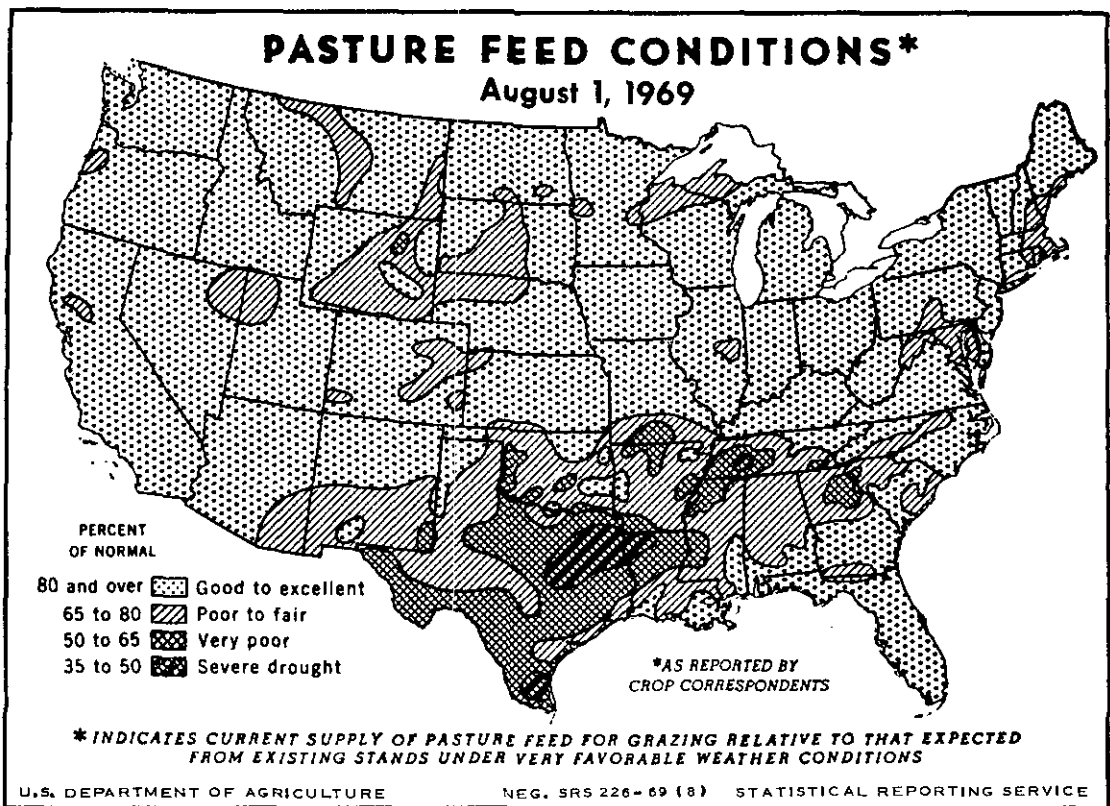


Table 3.--Grain and other concentrates fed daily per milk cow in herds kept by reporters, August 1, by States

| State        | 1967               | 1968 | 1969 | State        | 1967               | 1968 | 1969 |
|--------------|--------------------|------|------|--------------|--------------------|------|------|
|              | ----- Pounds ----- |      |      |              | ----- Pounds ----- |      |      |
| Me .....     | 10.0               | 10.0 | 11.7 | W. Va. ....  | 6.4                | 6.0  | 6.9  |
| N. H. ....   | 10.0               | 10.5 | 10.7 | N. C. ....   | 8.6                | 9.0  | 10.0 |
| Vt. ....     | 8.5                | 9.0  | 9.8  | S. C. ....   | 8.5                | 10.5 | 10.0 |
| Mass. ....   | 11.2               | 12.0 | 12.2 | Ca. ....     | 10.0               | 10.5 | 10.1 |
| R. I. ....   | 11.7               | 12.0 | 12.0 | Fla. ....    | 10.0               | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| Conn. ....   | 11.7               | 12.0 | 13.0 | Ky. ....     | 7.9                | 8.5  | 7.5  |
| N. Y. ....   | 10.0               | 9.5  | 10.1 | Tenn. ....   | 6.8                | 7.7  | 7.5  |
| N. J. ....   | 10.4               | 11.4 | 11.8 | Ala. ....    | 8.5                | 9.5  | 9.5  |
| Pa. ....     | 11.5               | 11.9 | 12.4 | Miss. ....   | 8.0                | 9.0  | 10.0 |
| Ohio .....   | 11.1               | 10.9 | 11.1 | Ark. ....    | 7.9                | 8.6  | 10.0 |
| Ind. ....    | 9.7                | 10.0 | 10.5 | La. ....     | 8.3                | 8.3  | 8.5  |
| Ill. ....    | 9.0                | 9.5  | 10.5 | Okla. ....   | 9.0                | 10.5 | 11.5 |
| Mich. ....   | 9.5                | 11.8 | 10.2 | Texas ....   | 6.0                | 7.5  | 14.0 |
| Wis. ....    | 7.4                | 8.2  | 9.1  | Mont. ....   | 6.0                | 6.5  | 7.0  |
| Minn. ....   | 8.2                | 8.7  | 9.9  | Idaho ....   | 6.9                | 6.8  | 6.4  |
| Iowa ....    | 8.6                | 9.2  | 10.3 | Wyo. ....    | 6.0                | 6.9  | 7.0  |
| Mo. ....     | 8.6                | 9.2  | 8.1  | Colo. ....   | 8.8                | 7.7  | 10.0 |
| N. Dak. .... | 8.3                | 8.0  | 9.0  | N. Mex. .... | 8.0                | 10.5 | 9.0  |
| S. Dak. .... | 6.5                | 7.7  | 8.4  | Ariz. ....   | 8.5                | 8.0  | 9.5  |
| Nebr. ....   | 7.0                | 7.6  | 8.9  | Utah ....    | 9.0                | 8.2  | 8.1  |
| Kans. ....   | 8.2                | 8.8  | 10.5 | Nev. ....    | 10.7               | 11.7 | 10.0 |
| Del. ....    | 11.5               | 12.0 | 12.5 | Wash. ....   | 8.3                | 7.3  | 8.9  |
| Md. ....     | 11.6               | 11.5 | 13.1 | Oreg. ....   | 7.3                | 8.8  | 8.0  |
| Va. ....     | 9.0                | 9.5  | 10.4 | Calif. ....  | 11.0               | 12.0 | 12.0 |
|              |                    |      |      | U. S. ....   | 8.8                | 9.4  | 10.1 |

Table 4.--August 1 pasture feed condition, as percent of normal, by States

| State and division | Average 1958-67     | 1968 | 1969 | State and division | Average 1958-67     | 1968 | 1969 |
|--------------------|---------------------|------|------|--------------------|---------------------|------|------|
|                    | ----- Percent ----- |      |      |                    | ----- Percent ----- |      |      |
| Me. ....           | 84                  | 86   | 85   | N. C. ....         | 82                  | 88   | 86   |
| N. H. ....         | 80                  | 88   | 82   | S. C. ....         | 81                  | 84   | 75   |
| Vt. ....           | 81                  | 90   | 84   | Ca. ....           | 84                  | 77   | 75   |
| Mass. ....         | 77                  | 83   | 78   | Fla. ....          | 87                  | 85   | 91   |
| R. I. ....         | 81                  | 87   | 82   | S. Atl. ....       | 81                  | 83   | 86   |
| Conn. ....         | 78                  | 87   | 82   | Ky. ....           | 85                  | 85   | 92   |
| N. Y. ....         | 71                  | 91   | 90   | Tenn. ....         | 84                  | 68   | 72   |
| N. J. ....         | 62                  | 80   | 85   | Ala. ....          | 82                  | 75   | 77   |
| Pa. ....           | 68                  | 77   | 89   | Miss. ....         | 77                  | 78   | 70   |
| N. Atl. ....       | 72                  | 86   | 88   | Ark. ....          | 76                  | 86   | 71   |
| Ohio .....         | 77                  | 93   | 95   | La. ....           | 77                  | 84   | 71   |
| Ind. ....          | 84                  | 91   | 96   | Okla. ....         | 78                  | 85   | 75   |
| Ill. ....          | 80                  | 89   | 94   | Texas....          | 72                  | 87   | 58   |
| Mich. ....         | 74                  | 90   | 93   | S. Cent. ....      | 78                  | 82   | 70   |
| Wis. ....          | 73                  | 94   | 92   | Mont. ....         | 80                  | 80   | 87   |
| E. N. Cent. ..     | 78                  | 92   | 94   | Idaho ....         | 86                  | 84   | 90   |
| Minn. ....         | 78                  | 90   | 91   | Wyo. ....          | 80                  | 85   | 79   |
| Iowa ....          | 88                  | 81   | 95   | Colo. ....         | 78                  | 65   | 88   |
| Mo. ....           | 77                  | 76   | 83   | N. Mex. ....       | 73                  | 77   | 78   |
| N. Dak. ....       | 75                  | 84   | 89   | Ariz. ....         | 82                  | 83   | 83   |
| S. Dak. ....       | 73                  | 82   | 86   | Utah ....          | 78                  | 85   | 88   |
| Nebr. ....         | 83                  | 65   | 89   | Nev. ....          | 84                  | 78   | 93   |
| Kans. ....         | 81                  | 71   | 90   | Wash. ....         | 80                  | 86   | 89   |
| W. N. Cent. ..     | 80                  | 78   | 88   | Oreg. ....         | 84                  | 82   | 90   |
| Del. ....          | 70                  | 74   | 84   | Calif. ....        | 81                  | 74   | 89   |
| Md. ....           | 69                  | 76   | 75   | West. ....         | 81                  | 78   | 87   |
| Va. ....           | 74                  | 84   | 94   | U. S. ....         | 78                  | 82   | 82   |
| W. Va. ....        | 76                  | 83   | 86   |                    |                     |      |      |

Table 5.--Milk-feed price ratios, milk prices, and ration values, by regions <sup>1/</sup>

| Region        | Milk-feed price ratio <sup>2/</sup> |              |              | All milk price per cwt: |              |              | Ration value <sup>3/</sup> |              |              |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|               | July<br>1968                        | June<br>1969 | July<br>1969 | July<br>1968            | June<br>1969 | July<br>1969 | July<br>1968               | June<br>1969 | July<br>1969 |
|               | Pounds                              |              |              | Dollars                 |              |              |                            |              |              |
| N. Atl. ....  | 1.59                                | 1.48         | 1.62         | 5.70                    | 5.37         | 5.82         | 3.59                       | 3.63         | 3.59         |
| E. N. Cent. . | 1.64                                | 1.63         | 1.66         | 4.76                    | 4.89         | 4.95         | 2.90                       | 3.00         | 2.98         |
| W. N. Cent. . | 1.68                                | 1.69         | 1.71         | 4.38                    | 4.47         | 4.51         | 2.61                       | 2.65         | 2.64         |
| S. Atl. ....  | 1.80                                | 1.79         | 1.84         | 6.15                    | 6.28         | 6.35         | 3.42                       | 3.50         | 3.46         |
| S. Cent. ...  | 1.68                                | 1.71         | 1.71         | 5.49                    | 5.61         | 5.65         | 3.27                       | 3.28         | 3.30         |
| West. ....    | 1.57                                | 1.59         | 1.61         | 4.93                    | 5.01         | 5.03         | 3.15                       | 3.16         | 3.13         |
| U. S. ....    | 1.64                                | 1.61         | 1.66         | 5.06                    | 5.08         | 5.21         | 3.09                       | 3.15         | 3.13         |

<sup>1/</sup> Data for current month are preliminary.

<sup>2/</sup> Pounds of concentrate ration equal in value to 1 pound wholesale milk.

<sup>3/</sup> Value per 100 pounds of concentrate ration fed to milk cows.

#### MILK COWS ON FARMS, JUNE 1969

Milk cows on U. S. farms in June are estimated at 12.7 million, down 3 percent from a year earlier. Decreases from a year earlier were 4 percent each year from 1963 through 1965, 6 percent in 1966 and 4 percent in both 1967 and 1968.

Regionally, the largest decreases from June 1968 were in the West North Central and South Central--both down 5 percent. East North Central and North Atlantic regions were down 2 percent each, and milk cows decreased 1 percent from a year earlier in both the Western and South Atlantic regions.

Wisconsin had the largest number of milk cows in June--1,847,000 head, down 2 percent from a year earlier; New York was second with 1,025,000, down 1 percent from June 1968; and Minnesota was third with 1,012,000, down 5 percent. The 10 leading States accounted for 60 percent of all U. S. milk cows in June, the same share as a year earlier. Numbers of milk cows decreased in each of the 10 leading States except Michigan, where they were unchanged.

Table 6.-Number of milk cows on farms, by States, June 1969, with comparisons

| State and division | 1965      | 1966   | 1967   | 1968   | 1969   | 1969 as percent of 1968 |
|--------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------------|
|                    | Thousands |        |        |        |        | Percent                 |
| Me. ....           | 80        | 75     | 71     | 69     | 67     | 97                      |
| N. H. ....         | 44        | 42     | 41     | 39     | 38     | 97                      |
| Vt. ....           | 234       | 219    | 212    | 209    | 204    | 98                      |
| Mass. ....         | 80        | 76     | 74     | 69     | 66     | 96                      |
| R. I. ....         | 10.5      | 9.6    | 8.8    | 8.2    | 7.8    | 95                      |
| Conn. ....         | 72        | 70     | 69     | 67     | 65     | 97                      |
| N. Y. ....         | 1,168     | 1,112  | 1,070  | 1,040  | 1,025  | 99                      |
| N. J. ....         | 103       | 93     | 86     | 78     | 74     | 95                      |
| Pa. ....           | 808       | 765    | 744    | 728    | 722    | 99                      |
| N. Atl. ....       | 2,600     | 2,462  | 2,376  | 2,307  | 2,269  | 98.4                    |
| Ohio ....          | 552       | 521    | 494    | 475    | 463    | 97                      |
| Ind. ....          | 331       | 296    | 272    | 252    | 241    | 96                      |
| Ill. ....          | 424       | 388    | 355    | 330    | 315    | 95                      |
| Mich. ....         | 587       | 535    | 502    | 473    | 473    | 100                     |
| Wis. ....          | 2,080     | 1,975  | 1,931  | 1,889  | 1,847  | 98                      |
| E. N. Cent. ....   | 3,974     | 3,715  | 3,554  | 3,419  | 3,339  | 97.7                    |
| Minn. ....         | 1,240     | 1,141  | 1,095  | 1,060  | 1,012  | 95                      |
| Iowa ....          | 725       | 654    | 610    | 570    | 536    | 94                      |
| Mo. ....           | 464       | 423    | 397    | 380    | 368    | 97                      |
| N. Dak. ....       | 226       | 198    | 173    | 156    | 145    | 93                      |
| S. Dak. ....       | 227       | 216    | 210    | 203    | 195    | 96                      |
| Nebr. ....         | 256       | 237    | 225    | 211    | 199    | 94                      |
| Kans. ....         | 247       | 233    | 221    | 212    | 205    | 97                      |
| W. N. Cent. ....   | 3,385     | 3,102  | 2,931  | 2,792  | 2,660  | 95.3                    |
| Del. ....          | 18        | 17     | 16     | 15     | 14     | 93                      |
| Md. ....           | 186       | 180    | 175    | 170    | 170    | 100                     |
| Va. ....           | 258       | 250    | 241    | 232    | 225    | 97                      |
| W. Va. ....        | 87        | 80     | 73     | 67     | 63     | 94                      |
| N. C. ....         | 217       | 209    | 200    | 192    | 190    | 99                      |
| S. C. ....         | 82        | 77     | 75     | 72     | 71     | 99                      |
| Ga. ....           | 158       | 150    | 144    | 139    | 140    | 101                     |
| Fla. ....          | 178       | 178    | 182    | 182    | 182    | 100                     |
| S. Atl. ....       | 1,184     | 1,141  | 1,106  | 1,069  | 1,055  | 98.7                    |
| Ky. ....           | 422       | 397    | 380    | 367    | 353    | 96                      |
| Tenn. ....         | 385       | 370    | 349    | 330    | 313    | 95                      |
| Ala. ....          | 169       | 158    | 150    | 143    | 138    | 97                      |
| Miss. ....         | 261       | 242    | 222    | 210    | 200    | 95                      |
| Ark. ....          | 132       | 116    | 108    | 102    | 97     | 95                      |
| La. ....           | 206       | 196    | 189    | 180    | 173    | 96                      |
| Okla. ....         | 179       | 168    | 159    | 155    | 151    | 97                      |
| Texas ....         | 430       | 403    | 384    | 368    | 336    | 91                      |
| S. Cent. ....      | 2,184     | 2,050  | 1,941  | 1,855  | 1,761  | 94.9                    |
| Mont. ....         | 58        | 54     | 50     | 46     | 44     | 96                      |
| Idaho ....         | 170       | 161    | 157    | 156    | 157    | 101                     |
| Wyo. ....          | 23.5      | 21.5   | 20.5   | 19.5   | 19.0   | 97                      |
| Colo. ....         | 103       | 99     | 98     | 99     | 102    | 103                     |
| N. Mex. ....       | 39        | 38     | 38     | 38     | 37     | 97                      |
| Ariz. ....         | 52        | 52     | 51     | 51     | 52     | 102                     |
| Utah ....          | 81        | 77     | 77     | 75     | 78     | 104                     |
| Nev. ....          | 14.0      | 13.4   | 13.4   | 13.6   | 13.8   | 101                     |
| Wash. ....         | 203       | 196    | 194    | 184    | 182    | 99                      |
| Oreg. ....         | 127       | 122    | 115    | 113    | 109    | 96                      |
| Calif. ....        | 783       | 772    | 780    | 781    | 771    | 99                      |
| West. ....         | 1,654     | 1,606  | 1,594  | 1,576  | 1,565  | 99.3                    |
| Alaska ....        | 2.3       | 2.0    | 1.9    | 1.8    | 1.8    | 100                     |
| Hawaii ....        | 15.2      | 14.8   | 14.3   | 13.5   | 12.6   | 93                      |
| U. S. ....         | 14,998    | 14,093 | 13,518 | 13,033 | 12,663 | 97.2                    |

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Light rainfall and high temperatures during July dried up pastures in the South Central Region. Texas condition of 58 percent on August 1 was lowest in the Nation, down 29 points from last year and 19 from last month. Kentucky's 92 percent was 7 points above average and last year. All other States in the region reported condition in the 70's and were below average.

In the Western Region, only two States, New Mexico and Wyoming, reported condition of pasture below 80 percent on August 1. Colorado at 88 percent showed greatest improvement over last year--23 points. California at 89 percent, and Nevada at 93 percent, were each up 15 points from last year.