

milk production



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DECEMBER MILK PRODUCTION 2 PERCENT ABOVE LAST YEAR:

Milk production during December 1975 totaled 9,275 million pounds, up 2.0 percent from a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

The preliminary estimate for 1975 milk production is 115,489 million pounds, virtually the same as the 1973 and 1974 production.

MILK COWS DOWN 1.0 PERCENT, PRODUCTION PER COW UP:

Milk cows on farms during December totaled 11,098,000 head, down 1.0 percent from a year earlier and 1.7 percent below December 1973. The estimated number of milk cows is 10,000 below a month earlier.

December production per cow averaged 836 pounds, 26 pounds more than a year ago and 34 pounds above December 1973.

MILK-FEED PRICE RATIO UP FROM LAST MONTH AND LAST YEAR:

The December milk-feed price ratio, at 1.79, is only slightly above the November ratio of 1.77 but well above the December 1974 ratio of 1.20. The average price of milk sold to plants was above the previous month in all regions. The average value of grain and other concentrates fed milk cows was above the previous month in all but the South Central region.

GRAIN AND CONCENTRATES FED PER COW UP 3 PERCENT:

Grain and concentrates fed milk cows on January 1 averaged 13.2 pounds per cow compared with 12.8 a year ago and 13.1 on January 1, 1974.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES

MONTH	MILK COWS ON FARMS ^{1/}			MILK PER COW ^{2/}			MILK PRODUCTION ^{2/}			:CHANGE :FROM :1974
	1973	1974	1975	1973	1974	1975	1973	1974	1975	
	THOUSANDS			POUNDS			MILLION POUNDS			
JAN	11,597	11,267	11,204	821	824	830	9,252	9,287	9,301	+2
FEB	11,556	11,249	11,192	773	784	784	8,932	8,765	8,775	+1
MAR	11,518	11,241	11,176	883	889	897	10,176	9,988	10,023	+4
APR	11,471	11,229	11,176	898	901	906	10,298	10,122	10,121	.0
MAY	11,439	11,216	11,150	957	967	968	10,952	10,841	10,789	-5
JUN	11,404	11,206	11,147	924	943	938	10,532	10,563	10,460	-1.0
JUL	11,369	11,205	11,142	881	905	897	10,014	10,139	9,998	-1.4
AUG	11,343	11,207	11,137	837	865	863	9,489	9,690	9,609	-0.8
SEP	11,316	11,208	11,132	784	815	818	8,877	9,140	9,101	-0.4
OCT	11,306	11,199	11,126	791	815	827	8,948	9,125	9,205	+0.9
NOV	11,298	11,207	11,108	760	774	795	8,590	8,669	8,832	+1.9
DEC	11,293	11,212	11,098	802	810	836	9,052	9,087	9,275	+2.0
ANNUAL	11,409	11,221	11,149	10,114	10,286	10,359	115,385	115,416	115,489	+0.1

^{1/} INCLUDES DRY COWS. EXCLUDES HEIFERS NOT YET FRESH. ^{2/} EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES.

MILK-FEED PRICE RATIOS, MILK PRICES, AND RATION VALUES, BY REGIONS AND UNITED STATES, DECEMBER 1975, WITH COMPARISONS ^{1/}

REGION	MILK-FEED PRICE RATIO ^{2/}			ALL MILK PRICE PER CWT.			RATION VALUE ^{3/}		
	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	NOV	DEC
	1974 ^{4/}	1975	1975	1974 ^{4/}	1975	1975	1974	1975	1975
	POUNDS			DOLLARS					
N ATL	1.20	1.76	1.71	8.59	10.50	10.60	7.15	5.98	6.21
N CENT	1.15	1.86	1.89	7.56	9.56	9.85	6.57	5.15	5.21
S ATL	1.43	1.79	1.78	10.04	10.90	11.00	7.01	6.09	6.19
S CENT	1.24	1.70	1.72	8.92	10.40	10.50	7.22	6.10	6.09
WEST	1.19	1.61	1.67	8.47	9.82	10.20	7.09	6.11	6.12
U S	1.20	1.77	1.79	8.25	9.99	10.20	6.87	5.63	5.71

^{1/} DATA FOR CURRENT MONTH ARE PRELIMINARY. ^{2/} POUNDS OF CONCENTRATE RATION EQUAL IN VALUE TO 1 POUND MILK SOLD TO PLANTS. ^{3/} VALUE PER 100 POUNDS OF CONCENTRATE RATION FED TO MILK COWS. ^{4/} REVISED.

DECEMBER 1975 MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

STATE	MILK COWS ON FARMS 1/			MILK PER COW 2/			MILK PRODUCTION 2/			
	1973	1974	1975	1973	1974	1975	1973	1974	1975	1975 AS PCT OF 1974
	THOUSANDS			POUNDS			MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT	
ALABAMA	100	92	90	620	625	640	62	58	58	100
ARKANSAS	92	91	89	565	565	635	52	51	57	112
CALIFORNIA	810	900	801	1020	1050	1085	826	840	869	103
COLORADO	76	75	75	925	930	930	70	70	70	100
FLORIDA	205	202	194	740	770	835	152	156	162	104
GEORGIA	130	130	129	760	815	800	99	106	103	97
IDAHO	151	149	145	820	790	840	124	118	122	103
ILLINOIS	266	258	253	775	760	790	206	196	200	102
INDIANA	224	218	213	805	830	840	180	181	179	99
IOWA	412	405	392	745	735	765	307	298	300	101
KANSAS	151	147	143	785	785	820	119	115	117	102
KENTUCKY	302	296	285	525	570	600	159	169	171	101
LOUISIANA	138	134	135	625	640	635	86	86	86	100
MARYLAND	135	138	140	895	935	920	121	129	129	100
MICHIGAN	421	420	418	895	890	930	377	374	389	104
MINNESOTA	900	886	890	840	845	790	756	749	703	94
MISSISSIPPI	135	125	125	540	550	555	73	69	69	100
MISSOURI	316	311	300	725	730	765	229	227	230	101
NEBRASKA	161	156	148	720	695	745	116	108	110	102
NEW YORK	900	918	916	850	860	890	765	789	815	103
N. CAROLINA	155	152	153	800	860	900	124	131	138	105
N. DAKOTA	127	123	120	600	575	550	76	71	66	93
OHIO	412	405	398	790	830	860	325	336	342	102
OKLAHOMA	126	122	117	700	730	710	88	89	83	93
OREGON	92	91	90	820	810	830	75	74	75	101
PENNSYLVANIA	678	687	686	820	830	835	556	570	573	101
S. DAKOTA	167	161	156	710	670	690	119	108	108	100
TENNESSEE	223	217	214	635	660	700	142	143	150	105
TEXAS	350	350	334	750	760	780	263	266	261	98
UTAH	75	79	79	920	935	950	69	74	75	101
VERMONT	190	192	194	800	805	865	152	155	168	108
VIRGINIA	161	159	159	815	870	880	131	138	140	101
WASHINGTON	184	180	179	1020	1020	1040	188	184	186	101
WISCONSIN	1797	1809	1808	790	780	845	1420	1411	1528	108
OTHER 16 3/ STATES	531	534	530	838	839	836	445	448	443	99
UNITED STATES	11293	11212	11098	802	810	836	9052	9087	9275	102

1/ INCLUDES DRY COWS. EXCLUDES HEIFERS NOT YET FRESH.

2/ EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES.

3/ INCLUDES STATES FOR WHICH INDIVIDUAL MONTHLY ESTIMATES ARE NOT AVAILABLE.

DECEMBER MILK COWS AND OCTOBER-DECEMBER MILK PRODUCTION

STATE	DEC MILK COWS ON FARMS <u>1/</u>			OCT THRU DEC MILK PRODUCTION <u>2/</u>			
	1973	1974	1975	1973	1974	1975	1975 AS % OF 1974
	THOUSANDS			MILLION POUNDS			
ALA	100	92	90	184	173	171	99
ALAS	1.7	1.6	1.6	4.55	4.15	3.88	93
ARIZONA	61	64	70	191	194	215	111
ARK	92	91	89	164	161	174	108
CALIF	810	800	801	2,502	2,559	2,641	103
COLO	76	75	75	211	211	211	100
CONN	53	55	55	144	151	152	101
DEL	11.9	12.5	12.4	30.8	33.5	33.1	99
FLA	205	202	194	438	458	468	102
GA	130	130	129	282	298	303	102
HAW	13.0	13.0	13.4	34.5	33.9	35.5	105
IDAHO	151	149	145	375	356	361	101
ILL	266	258	253	619	598	606	101
IND	224	218	213	535	544	524	96
IOWA	412	405	392	907	874	879	101
KANS	151	147	143	357	342	345	101
KY	302	296	285	495	532	530	100
LA	138	134	135	240	244	244	100
MAINE	59	60	60	142	148	151	102
MD	135	138	140	356	381	377	99
MASS	54	55	55	141	143	145	101
MICH	421	420	418	1,123	1,111	1,156	104
MINN	900	886	890	2,032	2,034	1,937	95
MISS	135	125	125	217	207	206	100
MO	316	311	300	685	687	700	102
MONT	29	28	26	72	70	70	100
NEBR	161	156	148	349	328	331	101
NEV	13.8	14.0	14.0	36.2	39.0	39.3	101
N H	32	33	33	76	81	83	102
N J	54	48	46	132	129	122	95
N MEX	30	31	31	76	81	89	110
N Y	900	918	916	2,223	2,296	2,377	104
N C	155	152	153	374	392	410	105
N DAK	127	123	120	214	198	185	93
OHIO	412	405	398	987	1,006	1,009	100
OKLA	126	122	117	262	270	245	91
OREG	92	91	90	231	228	228	100
PA	678	687	686	1,629	1,681	1,684	100
R I	5.8	6.0	5.7	14.6	15.1	14.9	99
S C	57	59	56	122	126	121	96
S DAK	167	161	156	350	330	310	94
TENN	223	217	214	437	442	456	103
TEX	350	350	334	769	793	772	97
UTAH	75	79	79	204	224	226	101
VT	190	192	194	446	456	491	108
VA	161	159	159	400	419	418	100
WASH	184	180	179	556	543	566	104
W VA	42	41	39	79	80	80	100
WIS	1,797	1,809	1,808	4,111	4,147	4,390	106
WYO	13.6	12.8	11.5	30.4	28.9	26.5	92
U S	11,293	11,212	11,098	26,590	26,881	27,312	102

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2/ EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES.

GRAIN AND OTHER CONCENTRATES FED DAILY PER MILK COW
IN HERDS KEPT BY REPORTERS, JANUARY 1, BY STATES

STATE	1974	1975	1976
POUNDS			
ALA	15.5	15.4	17.3
ARIZ	14.4	14.0	14.8
ARK	14.5	11.1	11.9
CALIF	14.5	13.0	13.0
COLO	15.6	13.8	13.6
CONN	13.5	13.5	13.9
DEL	14.0	14.0	15.0
FLA	15.0	16.0	16.0
GA	16.0	17.5	21.0
IDAHO	10.1	10.3	9.1
ILL	13.0	14.6	13.5
IND	12.0	11.0	13.7
IOWA	13.5	14.5	15.0
KANS	14.3	13.3	15.0
KY	12.3	10.0	10.3
LA	13.7	13.6	15.0
MAINE	13.5	13.5	14.1
MD	13.1	13.1	14.4
MASS	13.0	13.5	12.8
MICH	13.9	13.2	14.8
MINN	12.6	15.6	13.0
MISS	13.2	14.2	13.0
MO	12.5	12.0	13.0
MONT	10.5	9.3	10.8
NEBR	12.2	11.0	11.5
NEV	12.0	10.0	11.5
N H	11.5	11.5	11.9
N J	13.6	12.0	13.0
N MEX	12.8	13.0	16.0
N Y	11.6	11.1	12.4
N C	17.0	16.0	12.5
N DAK	12.3	10.0	11.0
OHIO	14.8	14.6	13.7
OKLA	15.3	11.4	14.7
OREG	11.7	11.0	10.0
PA	13.8	13.6	13.8
R I	12.0	11.0	11.4
S C	16.1	15.2	17.5
S DAK	11.7	11.0	12.0
TENN	12.8	14.2	13.8
TEX	15.0	15.2	13.7
UTAH	11.0	10.1	10.3
VT	11.5	11.0	11.5
VA	11.6	12.1	12.1
WASH	12.7	12.2	13.3
W VA	11.2	11.0	11.5
WIS	12.4	11.1	13.0
WYO	11.5	9.0	9.0
U S	13.1	12.8	13.2

