

MILK PRODUCTION



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JULY MILK PRODUCTION 2.5 PERCENT ABOVE LAST YEAR

July 1977 milk production totaled 10,715 million pounds, up 2.5 percent from a year earlier and 7.5 percent above July 1975. Average production per cow at 977 pounds was 30 pounds more than a year earlier and 81 pounds above July 1975. Milk cows, estimated at 10,965,000 head during July, were down 0.7 percent from a year ago but 2,000 head above the preceding month.

Production for the first 7 months of 1977 was 2.2 percent above the same period last year and 6.2 percent above the corresponding period in 1975.

MILK-FEED PRICE RATIO UP

The July milk-feed ratio of 1.56 was 4.7 percent above the June ratio and 8.3 percent above a year ago. The increase in the ratio from both the preceding month and the preceding year was due to higher milk prices and lower feed costs.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES

MONTH	MILK COWS 1/			MILK PER COW 2/			MILK PRODUCTION 2/			% CHANGE 1977 FROM 1976
	1975	1976	1977	1975	1976	1977	1975	1976	1977	
	THOUSANDS			POUNDS			MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT
JAN	11,202	11,083	11,023	834	867	899	9,338	9,607	9,910	+3.2
FEB 3/	11,193	11,071	11,013	782	841	849	8,756	9,308	9,351	+0.5
MAR	11,181	11,060	11,003	892	931	960	9,978	10,302	10,562	+2.5
APR	11,172	11,058	10,989	903	948	977	10,088	10,480	10,741	+2.5
MAY	11,156	11,047	10,978	966	1,006	1,029	10,773	11,108	11,295	+1.7
JUN	11,141	11,044	10,963	937	979	1,013	10,444	10,816	11,103	+2.7
JUL	11,131	11,041	10,965	896	947	977	9,969	10,453	10,715	+2.5
JAN-JUL TOTAL							69,346	72,074	73,677	+2.2
AUG	11,120	11,041		858	916		9,546	10,112		
SEP	11,109	11,030		817	872		9,072	9,616		
OCT	11,102	11,039		827	874		9,186	9,643		
NOV	11,088	11,039		797	836		8,833	9,233		
DEC	11,087	11,032		843	877		9,343	9,678		
ANNUAL	11,140	11,049		10,352	10,893		115,326	120,356		

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

2/ EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES.

3/ THE EXTRA DAY IN FEBRUARY 1976 ADDED 3.6 PERCENT TO MONTHLY OUTPUT.

MILK-FEED PRICE RATIOS, MILK PRICES, AND RATION VALUES, BY REGIONS AND UNITED STATES, JULY 1977, WITH COMPARISONS 1/

REGION	MILK-FEED PRICE RATIO 2/			ALL MILK PRICE PER CWT.			RATION VALUE 3/		
	JUL 1976	JUN 1977	JUL 1977	JUL 1976	JUN 1977	JUL 1977	JUL 1976	JUN 1977	JUL 1977
	POUNDS			DOLLARS					
N ATL	1.45	1.38	1.48	9.94	9.58	10.00	6.85	6.95	6.75
N CENT	1.45	1.56	1.62	9.06	9.02	9.07	6.25	5.80	5.60
S ATL	1.52	1.51	1.55	10.50	10.70	10.80	6.89	7.10	6.95
S CENT	1.44	1.46	1.52	9.79	9.86	9.88	6.81	6.75	6.50
WEST	1.42	1.54	1.61	9.29	9.45	9.56	6.54	6.15	5.95
U S	1.44	1.49	1.56	9.43	9.38	9.52	6.53	6.29	6.09

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.

JULY 1977 MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

STATE	MILK COWS 1/			MILK PER COW 2/			MILK PRODUCTION 2/			
	1975	1976	1977	1975	1976	1977	1975	1976	1977	1977 AS PCT OF 1976
	THOUSANDS			POUNDS			MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT
ALABAMA	91	87	86	620	645	650	56	56	56	100
ARKANSAS	90	87	89	715	760	765	64	66	68	103
CALIFORNIA	798	818	816	1220	1275	1325	974	1043	1081	104
COLORADO	74	71	70	1020	1040	1070	75	74	75	101
FLORIDA	197	201	201	815	815	810	162	164	163	99
GEORGIA	129	128	129	720	765	760	93	98	98	100
IDAHO	146	142	142	960	985	975	140	140	138	99
ILLINOIS	255	242	235	895	915	920	228	221	216	98
INDIANA	215	210	207	905	950	960	195	200	199	99
IOWA	401	391	385	855	950	965	343	371	372	100
KANSAS	143	139	139	840	920	920	120	128	128	100
KENTUCKY	286	281	278	740	790	840	212	222	234	105
LOUISIANA	136	137	133	640	655	685	87	90	91	101
MARYLAND	138	139	140	880	930	970	121	129	136	105
MICHIGAN	410	404	403	905	970	1010	371	392	407	104
MINNESOTA	880	870	865	830	900	940	730	783	813	104
MISSISSIPPI	121	116	112	635	655	680	77	76	76	100
MISSOURI	302	309	303	865	900	935	261	278	283	102
NEBRASKA	152	143	139	860	890	910	131	127	126	99
NEW YORK	914	910	913	910	930	960	832	846	876	104
N. CAROLINA	153	153	149	880	890	900	135	136	134	99
N. DAKOTA	122	117	112	775	780	825	95	91	92	101
OHIO	403	399	397	895	985	970	361	393	385	98
OKLAHOMA	119	117	116	765	840	850	91	98	99	101
OREGON	91	91	93	1030	1055	1055	94	96	98	102
PENNSYLVANIA	697	703	699	855	905	955	596	636	668	105
TENNESSEE	216	209	209	775	805	840	167	168	176	105
TEXAS	334	322	314	825	875	900	276	282	283	100
UTAH	80	79	78	1070	1060	1040	86	84	81	96
VERMONT	194	192	193	900	955	950	170	183	183	100
VIRGINIA	158	163	165	950	970	990	158	158	163	103
WASHINGTON	181	181	175	1150	1200	1300	208	217	228	105
WISCONSIN	1814	1808	1800	910	980	1020	1651	1772	1836	104
OTHER 17 3/ STATES	691	682	680	887	931	960	613	635	653	103
UNITED STATES	11131	11041	10965	896	947	977	9969	10453	10715	103

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2/ EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES.

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

