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# MILK PRODUCTION

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## DECEMBER MILK PRODUCTION UP 2 PERCENT FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

December milk production totaled 10.0 billion pounds, up 2 percent from December 1978. Accumulated production for 1979 was 124 billion pounds, 1 percent or 1.62 billion pounds above the same period last year.

Production per cow averaged 930 pounds, 28 pounds above December a year earlier and 35 pounds above December 1977.

Total milk cows averaged 10.8 million for December, down 1 percent from last year and 2 percent from December 1977.

## GRAIN AND OTHER CONCENTRATES FED INCREASE

Grain and other concentrates fed to milk cows on January 1, 1980 averaged 15.4 pounds, 0.4 pound above January 1, 1979 and 1.1 pounds above January 1, 1978.

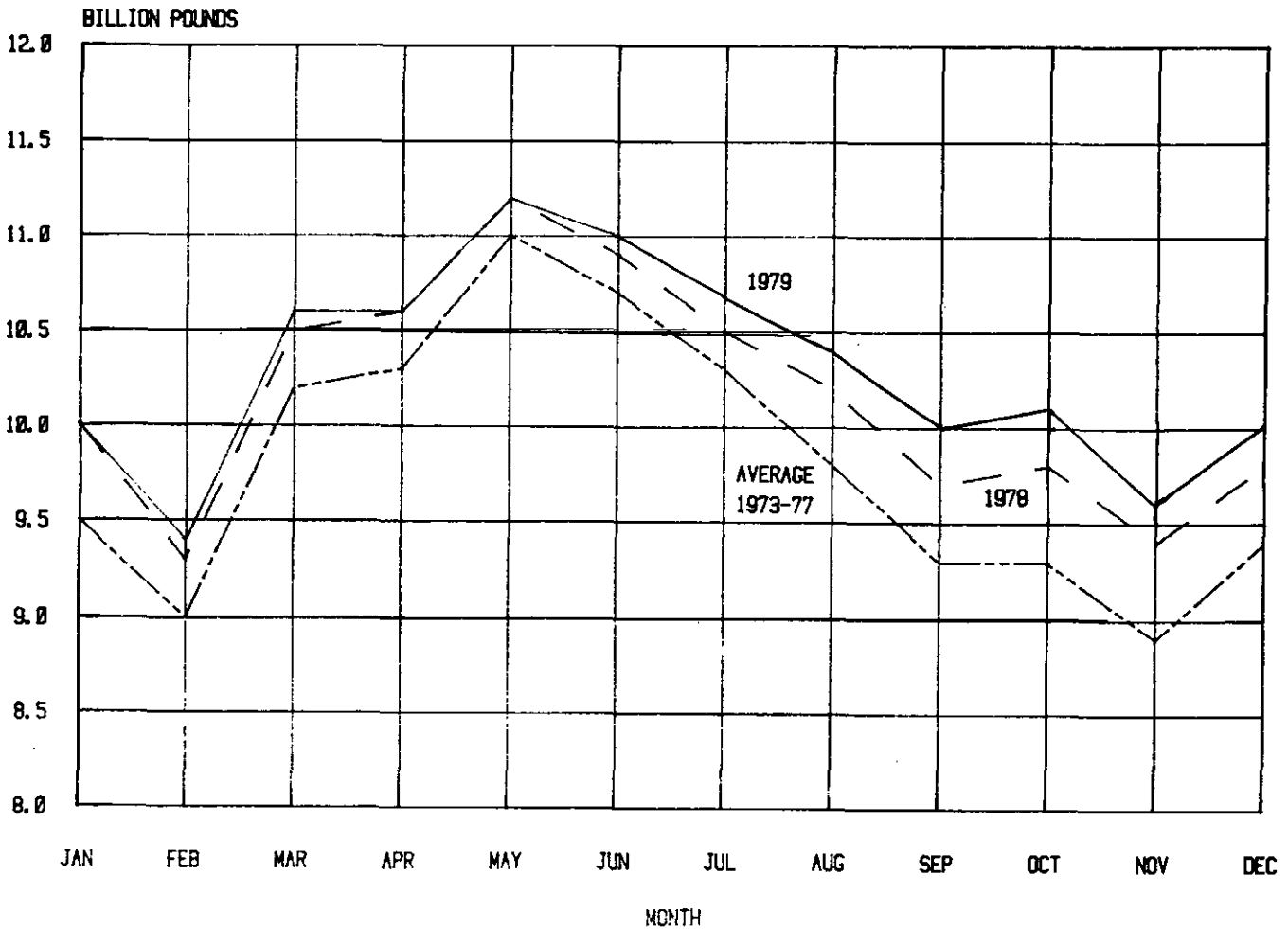
MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION BY MONTHS, UNITED STATES

MONTH	MILK COWS <sup>1/</sup>			MILK PER COW <sup>2/</sup>			MILK PRODUCTION <sup>2/</sup>			1979 AS % OF 1978
	1977	1978	1979	1977	1978	1979	1977	1978	1979	
	THOUSANDS			POUNDS			MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT
JAN	11,026	10,923	10,848	897	915	925	9,887	9,994	10,035	100
FEB	11,018	10,903	10,819	844	852	867	9,301	9,287	9,379	101
MAR	11,004	10,877	10,779	961	967	979	10,572	10,523	10,555	100
APR	10,992	10,844	10,748	976	980	987	10,725	10,631	10,609	100
MAY	10,978	10,824	10,744	1,034	1,033	1,040	11,354	11,178	11,175	100
JUN	10,961	10,808	10,735	1,003	1,004	1,023	10,989	10,851	10,982	101
JUL	10,960	10,811	10,738	974	974	997	10,671	10,534	10,705	102
AUG	10,968	10,821	10,740	945	944	968	10,363	10,213	10,400	102
SEP	10,963	10,832	10,769	896	899	930	9,820	9,733	10,016	103
OCT	10,945	10,837	10,762	899	907	937	9,838	9,832	10,081	103
NOV	10,942	10,837	10,758	858	864	892	9,391	9,364	9,598	102
DEC	10,933	10,853	10,761	895	902	930	9,787	9,788	10,010	102
ANNUAL	10,974	10,848	10,767	11,181	11,240	11,474	122,698	121,928	123,545	101

<sup>1/</sup> INCLUDES DRY COWS. EXCLUDES HEIFERS NOT YET FRESH. <sup>2/</sup> EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES.

MILK PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES

AVERAGE 1973-77, 1978 AND 1979



DECEMBER 1979 MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

STATE	MILK COWS 1/			MILK PER COW 2/			MILK PRODUCTION 2/			
	1977	1978	1979	1977	1978	1979	1977	1978	1979	1979 AS PCT OF 1978
	THOUSANDS			POUNDS			MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT	
ALABAMA	85	84	82	670	670	680	57	56	56	100
ARKANSAS	89	90	89	605	635	630	54	57	56	98
CALIFORNIA	842	860	897	1175	1120	1160	989	963	1041	108
COLORADO	72	72	72	945	960	930	68	69	67	97
FLORIDA	197	189	185	865	860	895	170	163	166	102
GEORGIA	129	129	127	900	900	900	116	116	114	98
IDAHO	139	141	140	935	935	990	130	132	139	105
ILLINOIS	233	236	235	825	830	830	192	196	195	99
INDIANA	208	202	200	865	875	920	180	177	184	104
IOWA	380	374	372	825	840	840	314	314	312	99
KANSAS	140	136	126	850	860	840	119	117	106	91
KENTUCKY	277	265	246	610	625	690	169	166	170	102
LOUISIANA	130	127	116	700	690	720	91	88	84	95
MARYLAND	136	134	129	940	940	980	128	126	126	100
MICHIGAN	404	402	397	970	980	1020	392	394	405	103
MINNESOTA	850	850	825	855	850	870	727	723	718	99
MISSISSIPPI	110	103	99	590	610	630	65	63	62	98
MISSOURI	285	276	269	755	760	780	215	210	210	100
NEBRASKA	128	120	117	790	830	840	101	100	98	98
NEW YORK	915	904	911	925	955	975	846	863	888	103
N. CAROLINA	144	143	141	935	935	950	135	134	134	100
N. DAKOTA	104	97	93	655	720	730	68	70	68	97
OHIO	400	382	379	880	885	900	352	338	341	101
OKLAHOMA	114	112	109	760	785	780	87	88	85	97
OREGON	93	93	93	880	880	915	82	82	85	104
PENNSYLVANIA	703	703	688	900	910	965	633	640	664	104
TENNESSEE	204	212	214	835	805	795	170	171	170	99
TEXAS	314	310	308	900	920	925	283	285	285	100
UTAH	76	76	75	975	970	1000	74	74	75	101
VERMONT	194	190	189	890	920	980	173	175	185	106
VIRGINIA	170	172	170	925	925	950	157	159	162	102
WASHINGTON	176	190	195	1180	1145	1185	208	218	231	106
WISCONSIN	1809	1811	1813	905	925	950	1637	1675	1722	103
OTHER 17 3/ STATES	683	668	660	886	877	918	605	586	606	103
UNITED STATES	10933	10853	10761	895	902	930	9787	9788	10010	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.

MILK PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES  
AVERAGE 1973-77, 1978 AND 1979

STATE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
MILLION POUNDS												
AVERAGE 1973-77	9,539	9,013	10,202	10,342	11,014	10,680	10,256	9,847	9,302	9,340	8,944	9,396
1978	9,994	9,287	10,523	10,631	11,178	10,851	10,534	10,213	9,733	9,832	9,364	9,788
1979	10,035	9,379	10,555	10,609	11,175	10,982	10,705	10,400	10,016	10,081	9,598	10,010

DECEMBER MILK COWS AND OCTOBER-DECEMBER MILK PRODUCTION

STATE	DEC MILK COWS 1/			OCT THROUGH DEC MILK PRODUCTION 2/			
	1977	1978	1979	1977	1978	1979	1979 AS % OF 1978
	THOUSANDS			MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT
ALA	85	84	82	167	164	163	99
ALAS	1.4	1.3	1.2	3.76	3.31	3.18	96
ARIZ	68	70	72	227	220	236	107
ARK	89	90	89	167	172	174	101
CALIF	842	860	897	2,966	2,912	3,124	107
COLO	72	72	72	205	211	205	97
CONN	51	49	49	153	147	149	101
DEL	12.1	11.5	11.2	34.1	31.7	30.2	95
FLA	197	189	185	485	465	466	100
GA	129	129	127	329	336	329	98
HAW	13.0	13.0	12.9	36.0	36.1	36.3	101
IDAHO	139	141	140	396	402	421	105
ILL	233	236	235	584	588	579	98
IND	208	202	200	546	525	549	105
IOWA	380	374	372	938	951	942	99
KANS	140	136	126	351	346	326	94
KY	277	265	246	534	519	538	104
LA	130	127	116	256	251	239	95
MAINE	58	56	56	153	151	156	103
MD	136	134	129	383	375	373	99
MASS	51	46	46	146	136	138	101
MICH	404	402	397	1,187	1,191	1,212	102
MINN	850	850	825	2,026	2,016	2,014	100
MISS	110	103	99	195	188	185	98
MO	285	276	269	661	638	642	101
MONT	27	27	27	72	71	73	103
NEBR	128	120	117	312	303	302	100
NEV	14.3	15.0	15.0	48.3	45.5	49.5	109
N H	31	30	29	82	80	79	99
N J	46	43	41	131	122	119	98
N MEX	31	33	35	109	113	124	110
N Y	915	904	911	2,484	2,517	2,602	103
N C	144	143	141	403	394	399	101
N DAK	104	97	93	193	195	191	98
OHIO	400	382	379	1,052	1,010	1,027	102
OKLA	114	112	109	263	265	257	97
OREG	93	93	93	250	250	260	104
PA	703	703	688	1,899	1,918	1,979	103
R I	4.8	4.6	4.1	13.3	13.1	11.6	89
S C	56	51	50	127	123	126	102
S DAK	170	169	163	373	367	367	100
TENN	204	212	214	527	520	520	100
TEX	314	310	308	826	852	832	98
UTAH	76	76	75	221	223	229	103
VT	194	190	189	509	519	552	106
VA	170	172	170	471	473	482	102
WASH	176	190	195	624	653	689	106
W VA	37	37	37	79	83	83	100
WIS	1,809	1,811	1,813	4,790	4,871	5,076	104
WYO	11.5	11.1	11.0	29.3	28.2	30.3	107
U S	10,933	10,853	10,761	29,016	28,984	29,689	102

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

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

STATE	1978	1979	1980
	POUNDS		
ALA	14.4	14.9	16.7
ARIZ	16.5	20.5	19.5
ARK	13.5	15.5	16.5
CALIF	17.7	20.0	17.3
COLO	14.0	14.1	15.0
CONN	15.7	15.6	15.2
DEL	14.0	14.6	15.0
FLA	17.0	17.5	17.0
GA	17.6	18.7	18.8
IDAHO	11.1	13.3	13.0
ILL	15.5	14.8	14.0
IND	14.5	14.3	14.5
IOWA	14.4	14.7	14.7
KANS	15.7	16.8	16.8
KY	13.7	13.8	14.3
LA	15.2	14.7	15.5
MAINE	13.9	15.5	15.0
MD	14.5	15.5	15.0
MASS	12.5	14.5	14.4
MICH	13.8	14.4	15.7
MINN	13.6	13.5	14.7
MISS	13.8	14.9	15.5
MO	15.0	14.7	16.0
MONT	12.5	12.0	12.5
NEBR	12.0	13.5	14.4
NEV	13.5	14.5	15.0
N H	10.4	12.5	13.0
N J	14.1	13.0	13.6
N MEX	17.0	16.0	19.5
N Y	12.8	13.2	13.8
N C	16.0	15.5	15.6
N DAK	11.2	13.0	12.8
OHIO	13.9	16.1	15.8
OKLA	16.0	16.0	16.8
OREG	12.5	14.0	14.0
PA	14.2	14.8	15.1
R I	13.0	11.0	14.4
S C	14.2	15.7	16.0
S DAK	12.2	12.3	12.8
TENN	15.2	14.0	14.5
TEX	18.0	19.0	19.3
UTAH	12.2	13.9	13.7
VT	12.4	11.7	12.9
VA	14.7	14.4	14.5
WASH	14.6	15.1	15.8
W VA	10.5	11.5	14.0
WIS	13.6	14.2	14.8
WYO	10.4	11.3	12.2
U S	14.3	15.0	15.4

VALUE PER 100 POUNDS OF CONCENTRATE RATION FED TO MILK COWS, IN HERDS KEPT BY REPORTERS,  
JANUARY 1, BY STATES

STATE	1978	1979	1980
	DOLLARS		
ALA	6.20	7.20	8.25
ARIZ	6.10	6.50	7.50
ARK	6.05	6.80	7.65
CALIF	5.60	6.30	7.10
COLO	5.20	5.80	6.55
CONN	6.80	7.20	8.50
DEL	6.60	7.10	7.30
FLA	5.70	6.30	7.10
GA	6.70	7.25	8.00
IDAHO	5.65	5.35	6.10
ILL	6.00	5.70	6.50
IND	5.65	6.45	6.40
IOWA	5.40	6.25	6.20
KANS	5.20	5.80	6.10
KY	6.30	6.95	7.60
LA	6.50	7.00	8.05
MAINE	7.05	7.55	8.90
MD	6.60	7.15	7.40
MASS	6.75	7.25	8.40
MICH	5.50	6.00	6.40
MINN	5.45	5.50	5.90
MISS	6.55	6.90	7.90
MO	5.85	6.40	7.30
MONT	5.45	5.20	5.70
NEBR	5.15	5.50	5.90
NEV	5.85	6.05	6.80
N H	6.90	7.40	8.20
N J	6.70	7.15	8.00
N MEX	5.70	6.40	7.40
N Y	6.80	7.00	7.95
N C	6.95	7.30	8.05
N DAK	4.60	4.65	5.00
OHIO	6.45	6.35	7.10
OKLA	5.95	6.35	7.20
OREG	6.45	6.60	7.60
PA	6.55	6.90	7.65
R I	6.75	7.20	8.40
S C	6.85	7.40	8.30
S DAK	5.25	5.65	6.00
TENN	6.50	7.15	8.20
TEX	5.90	6.35	7.10
UTAH	5.25	5.75	6.40
VT	6.90	7.50	8.65
VA	7.05	7.30	8.50
WASH	6.25	6.55	7.55
W VA	7.05	7.40	8.10
WIS	5.55	5.75	6.20
WYO	5.20	5.60	6.00
U S	5.96	6.34	7.00



