

MILK PRODUCTION

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OCTOBER MILK PRODUCTION TOTALED 11.4 BILLION POUNDS

Milk production during October 1983 totaled 11.4 billion pounds (5.16 million metric tons), 1 percent more than September 1983 and up 6 percent from October 1981. Comparative data for 1982 are not available by months but will be published on a quarterly basis in the January 1984 issue of Milk Production.

Accumulated milk production during the first ten months of 1983 totaled 117 billion pounds (52.9 million metric tons), up 4 percent from the same period in 1981.

Production per cow averaged 1023 pounds during October 1983, 41 pounds more than October 1981.

The total number of milk cows averaged 11.1 million head during October, virtually the same as September and 1 percent above October 1981.

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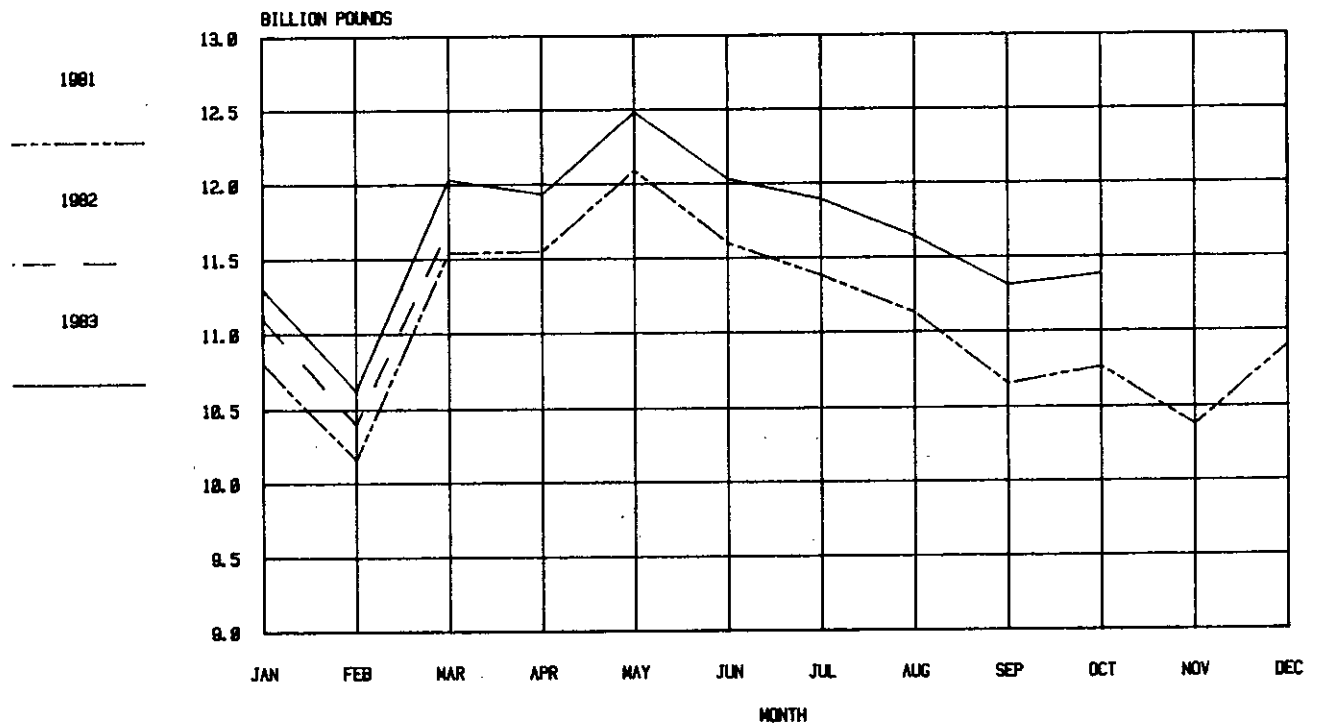
MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION BY MONTHS/QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

MONTH	MILK COWS 1/			MILK PER COW 2/			MILK PRODUCTION 2/			1983 AS PERCENT OF 1982
	1981	1982	1983	1981	1982	1983	1981	1982	1983	
	THOUSANDS			POUNDS			MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT
JAN	10,871	11,023	11,055	994	1,008	1,021	10,805	11,116	11,292	102
FEB	10,881	11,022	11,051	934	943	962	10,161	10,391	10,627	102
MAR	10,879	11,019	11,070	1,062	1,064	1,087	11,549	11,728	12,036	103
JAN-MAR	10,877	11,021	11,059	2,989	3,016	3,070	32,515	33,235	33,955	102
APR	10,886	3/	11,067	1,061	3/	1,078	11,555	3/	11,933	
MAY	10,898	3/	11,064	1,110	3/	1,129	12,099	3/	12,487	
JUN	10,906	3/	11,074	1,064	3/	1,087	11,606	3/	12,033	
APR-JUN	10,897	11,004	11,068	3,236	3,246	3,294	35,260	35,723	36,453	102
JUL	10,904	3/	11,078	1,044	3/	1,074	11,387	3/	11,894	
AUG	10,930	3/	11,080	1,018	3/	1,050	11,132	3/	11,639	
SEP	10,949	3/	11,120	974	3/	1,017	10,659	3/	11,309	
JUL-SEP	10,928	11,026	11,093	3,036	3,082	3,141	33,178	33,983	34,842	103
OCT	10,969	3/	11,130	982	3/	1,023	10,768	3/	11,382	
NOV	10,993			945			10,387			
DEC	11,011			990			10,905			
OCT-DEC	10,991	11,053		2,917	2,972		32,060	32,854		
ANNUAL	10,923	11,026		12,177	12,316		133,013	135,795		

1/ INCLUDES DRY COWS. EXCLUDES HEIFERS NOT YET FRESH. 2/ EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES. 3/ NOT AVAILABLE.

MILK PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES

1981, 1982 AND 1983



OCTOBER 1983 MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

STATE	MILK COWS 1/			MILK PER COW 2/			MILK PRODUCTION 2/		
	1981	1982	1983	1981	1982	1983	1981	1982	1983
		4/			4/			4/	
	THOUSANDS			POUNDS			MILLION POUNDS		
ALA	61		52	835		840	51		44
ARK	83		83	760		750	63		62
CALIF	932		952	1,310		1,330	1,221		1,266
COLO	74		76	1,060		1,090	78		83
FLA	189		191	880		870	166		166
GA	131		128	885		890	116		114
IDAHO	168		174	1,105		1,095	186		191
ILL	235		228	910		980	214		223
IND	206		205	910		970	187		199
IOWA	388		386	940		935	365		361
KANS	124		131	945		940	117		123
KY	242		243	770		790	186		192
LA	104		101	685		700	71		71
MO	121		124	1,055		1,120	128		139
MICH	396		407	1,085		1,150	430		468
MINN	895		890	810		895	725		797
MISS	96		92	700		720	67		66
MO	247		254	935		1,010	231		257
NEBR	122		122	960		920	117		112
N Y	913		950	955		1,000	872		950
N C	135		132	1,020		1,065	138		141
N DAK	92		99	750		760	69		75
OHIO	380		403	940		975	357		393
OKLA	110		110	830		870	91		96
OREG	97		101	1,040		1,090	101		110
PA	727		737	1,030		1,070	749		789
TENN	214		214	900		870	193		186
TEX	325		333	900		970	293		323
UTAH	85		86	1,085		1,100	92		95
VT	188		198	985		1,055	185		209
VA	172		172	1,000		1,060	172		182
WASH	206		216	1,220		1,360	251		294
WIS	1,827		1,835	985		1,020	1,800		1,872
OTH 17 STS 3/	684		705	1,003		1,040	686		733
U S	10,969		11,130	982		1,023	10,768		11,382

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2/ EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES.

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

4/ NOT AVAILABLE.

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