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MARCH MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production in the 21 selected States totaled 10.4 billion pounds (4.71 million metric tons), 3 percent less than production in these same States in March 1986.

Production per cow in the 21 selected States averaged 1180 pounds for March, 32 pounds more than March 1986.

The number of cows on farms in the 21 selected States was 8.79 million head, 26 thousand less than February 1987, and 491 thousand (5 percent) below March 1986.

During the January-March period the 21 selected States produced 29.6 billion pounds (13.4 million metric tons) of milk, 84.8 percent of the U.S. production. If the producers in the remaining States not surveyed monthly followed the same pattern as the 21 States, the U.S. production would have been 11.7 billion pounds for January, 11.0 billion pounds for February, and 12.2 billion pounds for March.

JANUARY-MARCH MILK PRODUCTION

The quarterly production of milk for the U.S. was 34.9 billion pounds (15.8 million metric tons), 4 percent below January-March 1986.

The average number of cows in the U.S. during the January-March quarter was 10.5 million head, 6 percent below January-March 1986, and 1 percent below October-December 1986.

GRAIN AND OTHER CONCENTRATES FED

Grain and other concentrates fed to milk cows on April 1, 1987, averaged 17.1 pounds, 0.5 pounds more than April 1, 1986.

VALUE OF GRAIN AND OTHER CONCENTRATES

The value of grain and other concentrates fed to cows on April 1, averaged \$6.71 per hundredweight, 32 cents per hundredweight less than the April 1, 1986 value.

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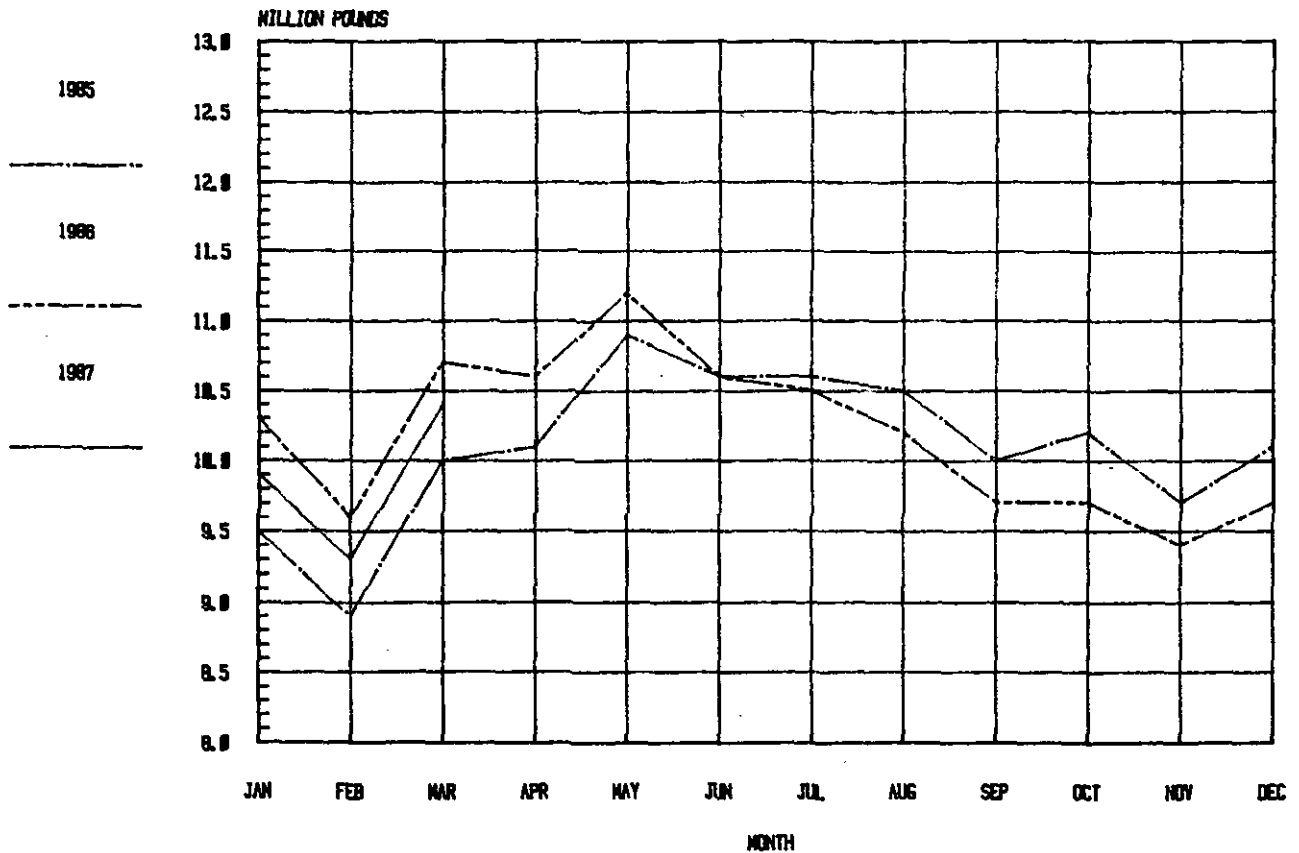
MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION BY QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

MONTH	MILK COWS 1/		MILK PER COW 2/		MILK PRODUCTION 2/		
	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	: 1987 AS : % OF : 1986
	THOUSANDS		POUNDS		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
JAN-MAR	11,126	10,481	3,251	3,328	36,172	34,877	96
APR-JUN	10,943		3,505		38,350		
JUL-SEP	10,703		3,327		35,610		
OCT-DEC	10,583		3,208		33,947		
ANNUAL 3/	10,839		13,293		144,080		

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

MILK PRODUCTION 21 STATES

1985, 1986, 1987



MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION BY MONTHS, 21 SELECTED STATES

MONTH	MILK COWS 1/		MILK PER COW 2/		MILK PRODUCTION 2/		
	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	:1987 AS % OF 1986
	THOUSANDS		POUNDS		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
JAN	9,336	8,845	1,106	1,123	10,321	9,932	96
FEB	9,303	8,818	1,028	1,052	9,565	9,279	97
MAR	9,283	8,792	1,148	1,180	10,659	10,376	97
APR	9,217		1,153		10,630		
MAY	9,160		1,224		11,213		
JUN	9,098		1,170		10,649		
JUL	9,032		1,169		10,468		
AUG	8,974		1,133		10,169		
SEP	8,950		1,080		9,662		
OCT	8,932		1,090		9,732		
NOV	8,900		1,056		9,400		
DEC	8,873		1,096		9,717		
ANNUAL	9,088		13,445		122,185		

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

MARCH 1987 MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION, BY STATES

STATE	MILK COWS 1/		MILK PER COW 2/		MILK PRODUCTION 2/		
	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	:1987 AS % OF 1986
	THOUSANDS		POUNDS		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
CALIF	1,039	990	1,410	1,460	1,465	1,445	99
FLA	186	177	1,120	1,210	208	214	103
IDAHO	169	156	1,140	1,180	193	184	95
ILL	225	213	1,080	1,165	243	248	102
IND	204	198	1,020	1,040	208	206	99
IOWA	354	304	970	985	343	299	87
KY	231	219	870	910	201	199	99
MD	125	121	1,120	1,120	140	136	97
MICH	392	363	1,210	1,230	474	446	94
MINN	930	835	1,060	1,080	986	902	91
MO	234	217	1,070	1,140	250	247	99
N Y	965	896	1,095	1,110	1,057	995	94
N C	125	112	1,250	1,270	156	142	91
OHIO	388	370	1,085	1,100	421	407	97
PA	738	719	1,140	1,205	841	866	103
TENN	210	203	890	920	187	187	100
TEX	328	326	1,190	1,200	390	391	100
VT	184	174	1,175	1,200	216	209	97
VA	157	150	1,160	1,170	182	176	97
WASH	223	206	1,485	1,510	331	311	94
WIS	1,876	1,843	1,155	1,175	2167	2,166	100
21 STATE TOTAL	9,283	8,792	1,148	1,180	10,659	10,376	97

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

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION JANUARY-MARCH

STATE	JAN-MAR MILK COWS 1/		JAN THROUGH MAR MILK PRODUCTION 2/		
	1986	1987	1986	1987	1987 AS % OF 1986
	THOUSANDS		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
ALA	47	41	150	135	90
ALAS	2.1	2.4	7.62	8.90	117
ARIZ	89	89	368	367	100
ARK	73	62	199	182	91
CALIF	1,037	987	4,209	4,145	98
COLO	81	77	289	289	100
CONN	46	40	160	144	90
DEL	10.3	9.9	37.1	36.1	97
FLA	187	177	595	610	103
GA	118	100	350	310	89
HAW	11.4	11.9	39.2	39.5	101
IDAHO	172	158	565	541	96
ILL	229	214	686	712	104
IND	204	200	597	591	99
IOWA	356	306	1,024	901	88
KANS	114	107	322	308	96
KY	232	221	563	559	99
LA	96	88	239	224	94
MAINE	52	49	162	150	93
MD	125	124	405	403	100
MASS	46	38	153	129	84
MICH	394	365	1,365	1,276	93
MINN	935	840	2,843	2,587	91
MISS	84	75	230	212	92
MO	234	217	702	690	98
MONT	28	24	84	76	90
NEBR	111	101	332	307	92
NEV	19.0	19.0	66.5	66.5	100
N H	29	27	97	90	93
N J	37	34	121	114	94
N MEX	68	59	278	240	86
N Y	966	906	2,986	2,822	95
N C	126	113	452	410	91
N DAK	102	92	277	262	95
OHIO	389	370	1,215	1,169	96
OKLA	112	109	304	290	95
OREG	102	92	356	345	97
PA	739	724	2,488	2,527	102
R I	3.4	3.1	10.8	10.5	97
S C	48	45	152	143	94
S DAK	162	150	434	408	94
TENN	210	203	532	524	98
TEX	326	326	1,068	1,078	101
UTAH	82	74	285	272	95
VT	185	176	626	602	96
VA	160	151	538	503	93
WASH	223	205	946	891	94
W VA	34	32	92	103	112
WIS	1,881	1,837	6,141	6,046	98
WYO	11.2	9.8	31.7	28.4	90
U S	11,126	10,481	36,172	34,877	96

1/ INCLUDES DRY COWS, EXCLUDES HEIFERS NOT YET FRESH.
 2/ EXCLUDES MILK SUCKED BY CALVES.
 3/ MILK COWS WILL NOT ADD DUE TO ROUNDING

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

STATE	1986	1987
	POUNDS	
ALA	17.6	17.9
ALAS	19.0	20.0
ARIZ	21.3	20.8
ARK	16.9	17.5
CALIF	20.1	19.5
COLO	15.9	20.0
CONN	16.4	15.5
DEL	14.0	16.0
FLA	27.0	28.0
GA	18.4	19.1
IDAHO	13.6	15.5
ILL	16.1	17.0
IND	17.0	16.9
IOWA	14.7	16.0
KANS	17.4	17.9
KY	15.0	15.8
LA	16.1	17.0
MAINE	15.6	14.8
MD	15.2	16.3
MASS	15.0	17.2
MICH	16.0	17.0
MINN	16.4	16.8
MISS	17.5	17.0
MO	17.5	18.0
MONT	14.5	15.0
NEBR	15.5	15.6
NEV	14.0	16.0
N H	15.6	16.3
N J	13.2	13.8
N MEX	21.0	22.0
N Y	14.4	14.6
N C	16.8	17.7
N DAK	13.5	14.0
OHIO	16.7	16.5
OKLA	15.5	15.6
OREG	15.0	16.0
PA	15.0	16.0
R I	15.4	15.5
S C	17.5	17.9
S DAK	13.7	15.2
TENN	15.0	16.0
TEX	18.5	19.9
UTAH	15.5	14.5
VT	14.8	14.0
VA	14.6	15.6
WASH	17.0	16.9
W VA	14.5	14.3
WIS	14.9	15.7
WYO	11.9	10.8
U S	16.6	17.1

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

STATE	1986	1987
	DOLLARS	
ALA	7.70	6.75
ALAS	13.50	13.00
ARIZ	6.90	6.20
ARK	7.10	6.45
CALIF	7.10	6.45
COLO	6.60	6.10
CONN	8.00	7.50
DEL	8.15	7.40
FLA	6.50	6.80
GA	7.30	6.95
IDAHO	6.20	5.30
ILL	6.90	6.80
IND	8.40	6.90
IOWA	6.50	6.40
KANS	5.70	5.50
KY	7.30	6.80
LA	7.70	7.05
MAINE	8.70	8.00
MD	8.10	7.60
MASS	8.30	7.30
MICH	6.50	5.70
MINN	6.20	6.50
MISS	7.40	7.10
MO	6.90	6.25
MONT	6.60	6.00
NEBR	6.30	6.10
NEV	7.50	7.00
N H	8.20	7.20
N J	8.20	8.70
N MEX	6.00	5.80
N Y	8.20	7.50
N C	8.20	7.90
N DAK	4.60	4.60
OHIO	6.80	6.80
OKLA	6.36	6.20
OREG	7.90	7.50
PA	7.90	7.60
R I	8.00	7.50
S C	7.90	7.40
S DAK	6.00	5.80
TENN	7.90	7.90
TEX	6.70	6.20
UTAH	6.50	5.70
VT	8.50	7.50
VA	8.20	8.00
WASH	7.20	6.50
W VA	8.40	7.80
WIS	6.50	6.70
WYO	6.20	5.70
U S	7.03	6.71