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FEBRUARY MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production in the 21 selected States totaled 9.74 billion pounds (4.42 million metric tons), 6 percent above production in these States in February 1987. The extra day in February 1988 would account for about a 4 percent increase with the same daily rate.

Production per cow in the 21 selected States averaged 1126 pounds for February, 74 pounds more than February a year ago.

The number of cows on farms in the 21 selected States was 8.65 million head, 18 thousand less than January 1988 and 117 thousand less than February 1987.

During the October-December 1987 period the 21 States accounted for 85.0 percent of the U.S. production. If producers in the remaining 29 States not surveyed on March 1 followed the same production pattern as the 21 States, the U.S. production would be 11.5 billion pounds for February 1988.

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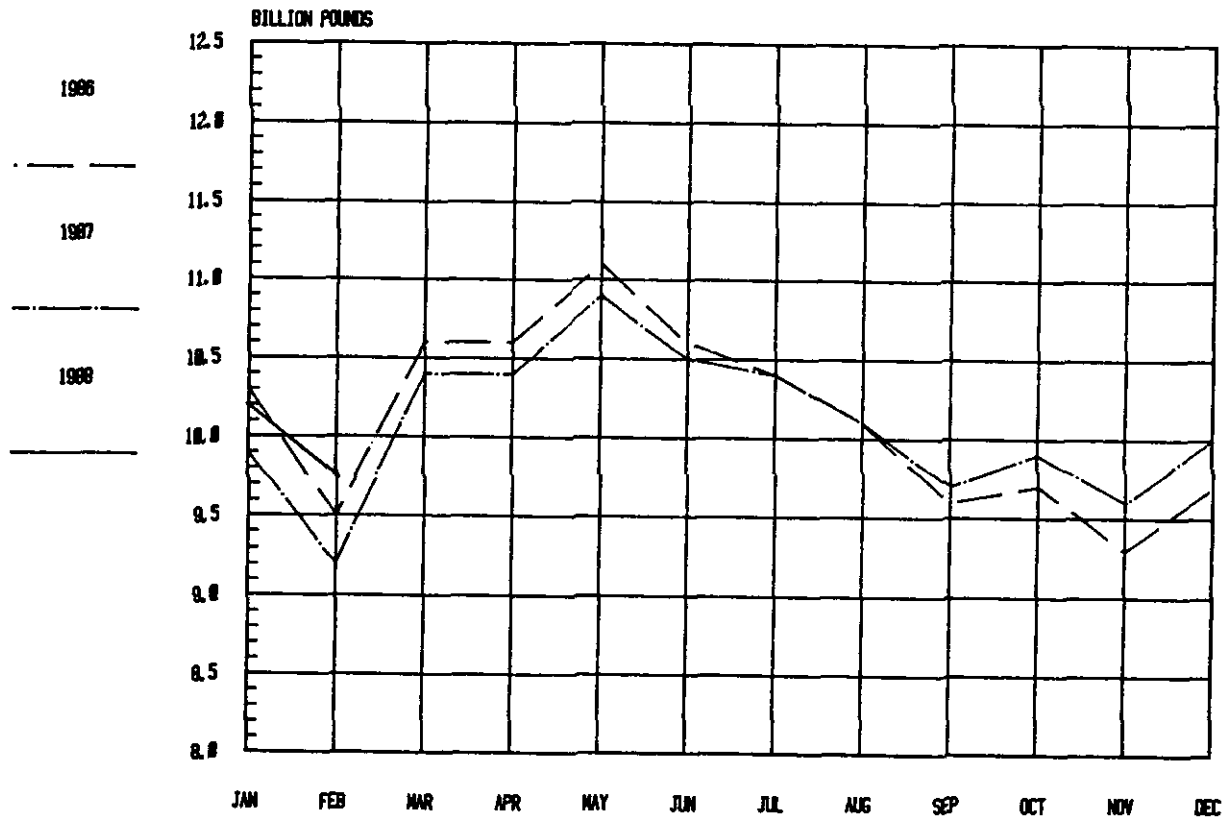
MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION BY QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

MONTH	MILK COWS 1/		MILK PER COW 2/		MILK PRODUCTION 2/		: 1988 AS : % OF : 1987
	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	
	THOUSANDS		POUNDS		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
JAN-MAR	10,424		3,340		34,814		
APR-JUN	10,339		3,617		37,399		
JUL-SEP	10,283		3,453		35,512		
OCT-DEC	10,291		3,375		34,737		
ANNUAL	10,334		13,786		142,462		

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

MILK PRODUCTION 21 STATES

1986, 1987, 1988



MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION BY MONTHS, 21 SELECTED STATES

MONTH	MILK COWS 1/		MILK PER COW 2/		MILK PRODUCTION 2/		
	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	:1988 AS % OF 1987
	THOUSANDS		POUNDS		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
JAN	8,805	8,667	1,123	1,177	9,889	10,205	103
FEB	8,766	8,649	1,052	1,126	9,226	9,740	106
MAR	8,727		1,190		10,384		
APR	8,713		1,191		10,381		
MAY	8,697		1,259		10,949		
JUN	8,673		1,208		10,475		
JUL	8,663		1,200		10,393		
AUG	8,645		1,173		10,138		
SEP	8,645		1,124		9,718		
OCT	8,653		1,148		9,931		
NOV	8,647		1,107		9,572		
DEC	8,667		1,158		10,038		
ANNUAL	8,692		13,932		121,094		

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FEBRUARY 1988 MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION, BY STATES

STATE	MILK COWS 1/		MILK PER COW 2/		MILK PRODUCTION 2/		
	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	:1988 AS % OF 1987
	THOUSANDS		POUNDS		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
CALIF	990	1,010	1,315	1,345	1,302	1,358	104
FLA	175	184	1,100	1,165	193	214	111
IDAHO	158	160	1,040	1,130	164	181	110
ILL	214	209	1,040	1,085	223	227	102
IND	199	188	920	990	183	186	102
IOWA	306	299	960	1,000	294	299	102
KY	222	218	790	850	175	185	106
MD	116	111	1,050	1,080	122	120	98
MICH	364	355	1,090	1,175	397	417	105
MINN	840	810	985	1,080	827	875	106
MO	217	222	980	1,020	213	226	106
N Y	887	839	980	1,085	869	910	105
N C	112	103	1,145	1,230	128	127	99
OHIO	368	368	1,010	1,055	372	388	104
PA	725	720	1,115	1,150	808	828	102
TENN	203	202	800	880	162	178	110
TEX	325	340	1,040	1,150	338	391	116
VT	176	169	1,060	1,145	187	194	104
VA	149	144	1,060	1,110	158	160	101
WASH	206	215	1,355	1,380	279	297	106
WIS	1,814	1,783	1,010	1,110	1,832	1,979	108
21 STATE TOTAL	8,766	8,649	1,052	1,126	9,226	9,740	106

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