



Survey Results



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Colorado Milk Production

Thank you for participating in our Quarterly Milk Production Report for July 1, 2008. Your participation allows us to compile statistics reflective of the continued importance of the dairy industry in our state and nation. The following text and tables are the results of the recently conducted nationwide survey. Complete survey results are available on the web at: www.nass.usda.gov

Colorado dairy herds produced 248 million pounds of milk during June 2008, up 17 million pounds from last June's production, but down 5 million pounds from May's production. The average number of cows, at 128,000, are up from 127,000 cows last month and up from 120,000 cows from the beginning of the year. The average milk per cow for the month of June was 1,940 pounds per cow, down from 1,990 pounds per cow in May. Colorado is fourth in the nation in milk production per cow (see table below).

Milk Cows and Production: By State, June 2007-2008

| State | Milk Cows ^{1/} | | Milk Per Cow ^{2/} | | Milk Production ^{2/} | | Change From 2007 |
|----------------|-------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|--------|------------------|
| | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | |
| | 1,000 Head | | Pounds | | Million Pounds | | Percent |
| AZ | 182 | 186 | 1,965 | 1,950 | 358 | 363 | 1.4 |
| CA | 1,811 | 1,848 | 1,845 | 1,850 | 3,341 | 3,419 | 2.3 |
| CO | 118 | 128 | 1,960 | 1,940 | 231 | 248 | 7.4 |
| FL | 126 | 122 | 1,465 | 1,490 | 185 | 182 | -1.6 |
| ID | 508 | 550 | 1,910 | 1,910 | 970 | 1,051 | 8.4 |
| IL | 103 | 102 | 1,550 | 1,565 | 160 | 160 | |
| IN | 167 | 166 | 1,675 | 1,650 | 280 | 274 | -2.1 |
| IA | 214 | 216 | 1,675 | 1,650 | 358 | 356 | -0.6 |
| KS | 109 | 111 | 1,650 | 1,760 | 180 | 195 | 8.3 |
| KY | 90 | 92 | 1,170 | 1,110 | 105 | 102 | -2.9 |
| MI | 334 | 348 | 1,905 | 1,840 | 636 | 640 | 0.6 |
| MN | 460 | 463 | 1,565 | 1,590 | 720 | 736 | 2.2 |
| MO | 112 | 110 | 1,240 | 1,240 | 139 | 136 | -2.2 |
| NM | 335 | 340 | 1,815 | 1,970 | 608 | 670 | 10.2 |
| NY | 626 | 626 | 1,620 | 1,680 | 1,014 | 1,052 | 3.7 |
| OH | 276 | 282 | 1,550 | 1,580 | 428 | 446 | 4.2 |
| OR | 114 | 113 | 1,650 | 1,575 | 188 | 178 | -5.3 |
| PA | 549 | 546 | 1,590 | 1,630 | 873 | 890 | 1.9 |
| TX | 348 | 377 | 1,740 | 1,870 | 606 | 705 | 16.3 |
| VT | 139 | 140 | 1,510 | 1,550 | 210 | 217 | 3.3 |
| VA | 100 | 98 | 1,440 | 1,450 | 144 | 142 | -1.4 |
| WA | 234 | 244 | 1,975 | 1,975 | 462 | 482 | 4.3 |
| WI | 1,247 | 1,252 | 1,620 | 1,640 | 2,020 | 2,053 | 1.6 |
| 23-State Total | 8,302 | 8,460 | 1,712 | 1,737 | 14,216 | 14,697 | 3.4 |

^{1/} Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

^{2/} Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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