

## July Milk Production

**Iowa:** Milk production in Iowa in July totaled 318 million pounds, down 0.6 percent from July 2004. The average number of milk cows, 187,000 head, was 6,000 head below July 2004. Production per cow averaged 1,700 pounds, 40 pounds higher than production levels one year ago.

**United States:** Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 13.7 billion pounds, up 4.2 percent from July 2004. June revised production, at 13.7 billion pounds, was up 5.6 percent from June 2004. The June revision represented an increase of 0.2 percent

or 28 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,682 pounds for July, 59 pounds above July 2004.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.14 million head, 48,000 head more than July 2004, and 12,000 head more than June 2005.

## Milk Cows and Production: By Selected States, July 2004-2005

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CA	1,729	1,760	1,780	1,775	3,078	3,124	1.5
IL	107	104	1,520	1,580	163	164	0.6
<b>IA</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>1,660</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
MN	465	455	1,460	1,500	679	683	0.6
MO	122	117	1,240	1,220	151	143	-5.3
WI	1,240	1,236	1,520	1,600	1,885	1,978	4.9
23-State Total <sup>3</sup>	8,096	8,144	1,623	1,682	13,143	13,698	4.2

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

<sup>3</sup> The 23 States are Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.