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Iowa Milk Production Up Slightly

Iowa: Milk production in Iowa in December totaled 358 million pounds, up 0.8 percent from December 2006. The average number of milk cows, 215,000 head, was 6,000 head higher than December 2006. Production per cow averaged 1,665 pounds, down 35 pounds from last year.

pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,719 pounds for December, 29 pounds above December 2006.

United States: Milk production in the 23 major States during December totaled 14.4 billion pounds, up 3.1 percent from December 2006. November revised production, at 13.8 billion pounds, was up 3.9 percent from November 2006. The November revision represented an increase of 13 million

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.38 million head, 107,000 head more than December 2006, and 14,000 head more than November 2007.

Milk Cows and Production: By Selected States, December 2006-2007

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	Change from 2006
	<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>
AZ	175	185	1,915	1,925	335	356	6.3
CA	1,787	1,833	1,845	1,880	3,297	3,446	4.5
CO	114	120	1,910	1,965	218	236	8.3
FL	130	124	1,360	1,390	177	172	-2.8
ID	500	527	1,820	1,870	910	985	8.2
IL	103	103	1,620	1,580	167	163	-2.4
IN	166	166	1,690	1,705	281	283	0.7
IA	209	215	1,700	1,665	355	358	0.8
KS	111	109	1,750	1,790	194	195	0.5
KY	94	89	1,120	1,170	105	104	-1.0
MI	324	343	1,880	1,870	609	641	5.3
MN	455	463	1,575	1,590	717	736	2.6
MO	115	110	1,300	1,210	150	133	-11.3
NM	360	339	1,690	1,840	608	624	2.6
NY	628	627	1,580	1,615	992	1,013	2.1
OH	274	278	1,485	1,500	407	417	2.5
OR	116	115	1,520	1,515	176	174	-1.1
PA	549	550	1,620	1,620	889	891	0.2
TX	346	355	1,765	1,825	611	648	6.1
VT	140	140	1,520	1,545	213	216	1.4
VA	100	99	1,480	1,495	148	148	
WA	235	243	1,890	1,930	444	469	5.6
WI	1,245	1,250	1,590	1,605	1,980	2,006	1.3
23-State Total ³	8,276	8,383	1,690	1,719	13,983	14,414	3.1

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves. ³ 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.

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