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## **September Milk Production**

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 954 million pounds of milk during September, down 0.7 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Regional Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Production per cow in Michigan averaged 2,235 pounds for September, 40 pounds above September 2021. The dairy herd was estimated at 427,000 head for September, down 11,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during September totaled 17.5 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from September 2021. August revised production, at 18.2 billion pounds, was up 1.8 percent from August 2021. The August revision represented an increase of 13 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,961 pounds for September, 26 pounds above September 2021. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.93 million head, 19,000 head more than September 2021, but 2,000 head less than August 2022.

## Milk Production - Michigan and 24 Selected States: September 2021 and 2022

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
Cows	438	427	8,909	8,928
Monthly rate per cowPounds	2,195	2,235	1,935	1,961
ProductionMil lbs	961	954	17,239	17,510