NR-23-67

## United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Great Lakes Region



**News Release** 

December 19, 2023

## **November Milk Production**

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 975 million pounds of milk during November, up 1.9 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Regional Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Production per cow in Michigan averaged 2,220 pounds for November, unchanged from November 2022. The dairy herd was estimated at 439,000 head for November, up 8,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during November totaled 17.3 billion pounds, down 0.5 percent from November 2022. October revised production, at 17.9 billion pounds, was down 0.6 percent from October 2022. The October revision represented a decrease of 37 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,948 pounds for November, 3 pounds below November 2022. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.90 million head, 26,000 head less than November 2022, and 9,000 head less than October 2023.

## Milk Production - Michigan and 24 Selected States: November 2022 and 2023

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Cows	431	439	8,924	8,898
Monthly rate per cowPounds	2,220	2,220	1,951	1,948
ProductionMil lbs	957	975	17,413	17,330