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**MINNESOTA'S APRIL MILK OUTPUT UP 2.7 PERCENT**

April 2007 milk production totaled 728 million pounds in Minnesota, up 2.7 percent from the 709 million pounds produced in April 2006, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. March milk output was unrevised at 751 million pounds.

Minnesota's production per cow averaged 1,600 pounds in April 2007, up 25 pounds from last April. The unrevised March rate was 1,650 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during April 2007 was 455,000 head, the same as March, but up 5,000 from a year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first 4 months of 2007 was 2.90 billion pounds, up 3.1 percent from the same period a year ago.

**APRIL MILK PRODUCTION UP 1.6 PERCENT IN MAJOR STATES**

Milk production during April 2007 totaled 14.4 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from April 2006 in the 23 major states. Revised March production for the 23 states was 14.8 billion pounds. Production per cow in the 23 states averaged 1,745 pounds during April 2007, up 19 pounds from April 2006. Revised March output per cow was 1,783 pounds. The number of milk cows in the 23 major states during April averaged 8.28 million head, up 39,000 from a year ago but down 6,000 from March 2007.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major states for the first 3 months of 2007 was 56.6 billion pounds, up 1.3 percent from the same period a year ago.

**MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES**

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	Apr 2006	Mar 2007 Rev.	Apr 2007	Apr 2006	Mar 2007 Rev.	Apr 2007	Apr 2006	Mar 2007 Rev.	Apr 2007	2007 as % of 2006
	<u>Thousand Head</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>
CA	1,784	1,796	1,797	1,855	1,980	1,920	3,309	3,556	3,450	104.3
ID	478	504	503	1,850	1,880	1,850	884	948	931	105.3
<b>MN</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>1,575</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>1,600</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>102.7</b>
NY	644	628	627	1,590	1,630	1,605	1,024	1,024	1,006	98.2
PA	557	550	550	1,650	1,710	1,690	919	941	930	101.2
WI	1,241	1,246	1,246	1,580	1,640	1,615	1,961	2,043	2,012	102.6
23 States	8,240	8,285	8,279	1,726	1,783	1,745	14,222	14,771	14,443	101.6