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MINNESOTA'S JULY MILK OUTPUT UP 2 PERCENT

July 2006 milk production totaled 704 million pounds in Minnesota, up 2 percent from the 687 million pounds produced in July 2005, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Revised June milk output was 702 million pounds.

Minnesota production per cow averaged 1,565 pounds in July 2006, up 55 pounds from last July. The revised June rate was 1,560 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during July 2006 was 450,000 head, the same as June, and 5,000 less than a year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first 7 months of 2006 was 4.95 billion pounds, up 2 percent from the same period a year ago.

JULY MILK PRODUCTION UP 1.5 PERCENT IN MAJOR STATES

Milk production during July 2006 totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from July 2005 in the 23 major states. Revised June production for the 23 states was 14 billion pounds. Production per cow in the 23 states averaged 1,686 pounds during July 2006, up 3 pounds from July 2005. Revised June output per cow was 1,695 pounds. The number of milk cows in the 23 major states during July averaged 8.26 million head, up 107,000 from a year ago.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major states for the first 7 months of 2006 was 98.5 billion pounds, up 4 percent from the same period a year ago.

MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

States	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	July 2005	June 2006 Rev.	July 2006	July 2005	June 2006 Rev.	July 2006	July 2005	June 2006 Rev.	July 2006	2006 as % of 2005
	<u>Thousand Head</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>
CA	1,756	1,783	1,771	1,780	1,800	1,760	3,126	3,209	3,117	100
ID	460	489	490	1,960	1,910	1,960	902	934	960	106
MN	455	450	450	1,510	1,560	1,565	687	702	704	102
NY	647	649	647	1,600	1,575	1,605	1,035	1,022	1,038	100
PA	561	555	555	1,590	1,620	1,600	892	899	888	100
WI	1,236	1,243	1,244	1,600	1,590	1,600	1,978	1,976	1,990	101
23 States	8,151	8,269	8,258	1,683	1,695	1,686	13,715	14,017	13,919	101