

MILK PRODUCTION

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MINNESOTA'S NOVEMBER MILK OUTPUT UP 2 PERCENT

November 2005 milk production totaled 650 million pounds in Minnesota, up 2 percent from the 639 million pounds produced in November 2004, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Revised October milk output was 664 million pounds.

Minnesota production per cow averaged 1,445 pounds in November 2005, up 55 pounds from last November. The revised October rate was 1,475 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during November 2005 was 450,000 head, the same as October, but down 10,000 from a year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first 11 months of 2005 was 7.51 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the same period a year ago.

NOVEMBER MILK PRODUCTION UP 5 PERCENT IN MAJOR STATES

Milk production during November 2005 totaled 13.0 billion pounds, up 5 percent from November 2004 in the 23 major states. Revised October production for the 23 states was 13.3 billion pounds. Production per cow in the 23 states averaged 1,590 pounds during November 2005, up 59 pounds from November 2004. Revised October output per cow was 1,634 pounds. The number of milk cows in the 23 major states during November averaged 8.16 million head, up 60,000 head from a year ago.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major states for the first 11 months of 2005 was 148 billion pounds, up 4 percent from the same period a year ago.

MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005 Rev.	Nov 2005	Nov 2004	Oct 2005 Rev.	Nov 2005	Nov 2004	Oct 2005 Rev.	Nov 2005	2005 as % of 2004
	<u>Thousand Head</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>
CA	1,741	1,770	1,770	1,700	1,780	1,725	2,960	3,151	3,053	103
ID	434	470	471	1,720	1,870	1,780	746	879	838	112
MN	460	450	450	1,390	1,475	1,445	639	664	650	102
NY	651	650	648	1,410	1,550	1,485	918	1,008	962	105
PA	563	558	556	1,420	1,550	1,500	799	865	834	104
WI	1,237	1,237	1,238	1,415	1,535	1,485	1,750	1,899	1,838	105
23 States	8,102	8,160	8,162	1,531	1,634	1,590	12,404	13,336	12,975	105