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## Milk Production in Pennsylvania Up 0.5 Percent in July

HARRISBURG, PA, August 18, 2008 - - - Milk production in Pennsylvania during July 2008 totaled 890 million pounds, 0.5 percent above last July's production of 886 million pounds, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA/NASS). The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 546,000 head, unchanged from June, and 4,000 less than July 2007.

Production per cow averaged 1,630 pounds in July, unchanged from June's production per cow and 20 pounds more than July 2007 of 1,610 pounds.

Milk production in the 23 states surveyed during July 2008 totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent compared to production in these same states during July 2007. June revised production, at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 3.2 percent from June 2007. The June revision represented a decrease of 19 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,742 pounds for July, unchanged from July 2007.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.47 million head, 143,000 head more than July 2007, and 5,000 head more than June 2008.

### MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

Item	Unit	Pennsylvania			23 States		
		July 2007	June 2008	July 2008	July 2007	June 2008	July 2008
Milk Cows .....	Thous.	550	546	546	8,322	8,460	8,465
Milk Per Cow .....	Lbs.	1,610	1,630	1,630	1,742	1,735	1,742
Milk Production .....	Mil. Lbs.	886	890	890	14,500	14,678	14,750

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