



NEWS RELEASE

United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
South Dakota Field Office • Sioux Falls, SD



Media contact: South Dakota Office, 605/323-6500
Email: nass-sd@nass.usda.gov

APRIL - JUNE 2006 MILK PRODUCTION UP

SIOUX FALLS, July 18, 2006 -- The **April - June 2006 quarterly milk production** for South Dakota totaled 382 million pounds, 3 percent above last year's 371 million pounds and 5 percent above last quarter's 364 million pounds, according to the South Dakota office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The **average number of milk cows** during the second quarter, at 81,000, is the same as the second quarter of last year and the first quarter this year.

Access this complete report at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/reports/nassr/dairy/pmp-bb/2006/mkpr0706.pdf>