



# Press Release

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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION  
UP 9 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN. . . Texas milk production totaled 499 million pounds during December, up 9 percent from last year's production of 456 million pounds. November 2003 production totaled 453 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during December averaged 317,000 head, up 6,000 head from last year but unchanged from November 2003. Production per cow averaged 1,575 pounds during December, up 8 percent from last year and up 10 percent from November 2003.

Milk production in the 20 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 12.3 billion pounds, down 0.3 percent from production in these same states in December 2002. November revised production, at 11.7 billion pounds, was down 0.1 percent from November 2002.

Production per cow during December averaged 1,589 pounds, 14 pounds more than a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 20 states was 7.71 million head, 93,000 head less than last year but unchanged from November 2003.