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UP 13 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN Texas milk production totaled 727 million pounds during April, up 13 percent from last year's production of 645 million pounds. March 2008 production totaled 733 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during April averaged 370,000 head, up 23,000 head from last year and unchanged from the March 2008 number. Production per cow averaged 1,965 pounds during April, 105 pounds more than last year.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 3 percent from production in these same states in April 2007. March revised production, at 15.1 billion pounds, was up 2 percent from March 2007.

Production per cow during April averaged 1,757 pounds, 12 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.44 million head, 152,000 head more than last year and 8,000 head more than March 2008.