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UP 14 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN Texas milk production totaled 742 million pounds during May, up 14 percent from last year's production of 649 million pounds. April 2008 production totaled 727 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during May averaged 372,000 head, up 25,000 head from last year and up 2,000 head from April 2008 number. Production per cow averaged 1,995 pounds during May, 125 pounds more than last year.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 15.4 billion pounds, up 3.4 percent from production in these same states in May 2007. April revised production, at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 2.6 percent from April 2007.

Production per cow during May averaged 1,816 pounds, 25 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.46 million head, 162,000 head more than last year and 12,000 head more than April 2008.