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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION INCREASED
17 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN Texas milk production totaled 681 million pounds during August, up 17 percent from last year's production of 581 million pounds. July 2008 production totaled 709 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during August averaged 385,000 head, up 37,000 head from last year and up 2,000 head from July 2008. Production per cow averaged 1,770 pounds during August, 100 pounds more than last year.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 14.5 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from production in these same states in August 2007. July revised production, at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 1.8 percent from July 2007.

Production per cow during August averaged 1,717 pounds, down 2 pounds from a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.47 million head, 137,000 head more than last year but 3,000 head less than July 2008.