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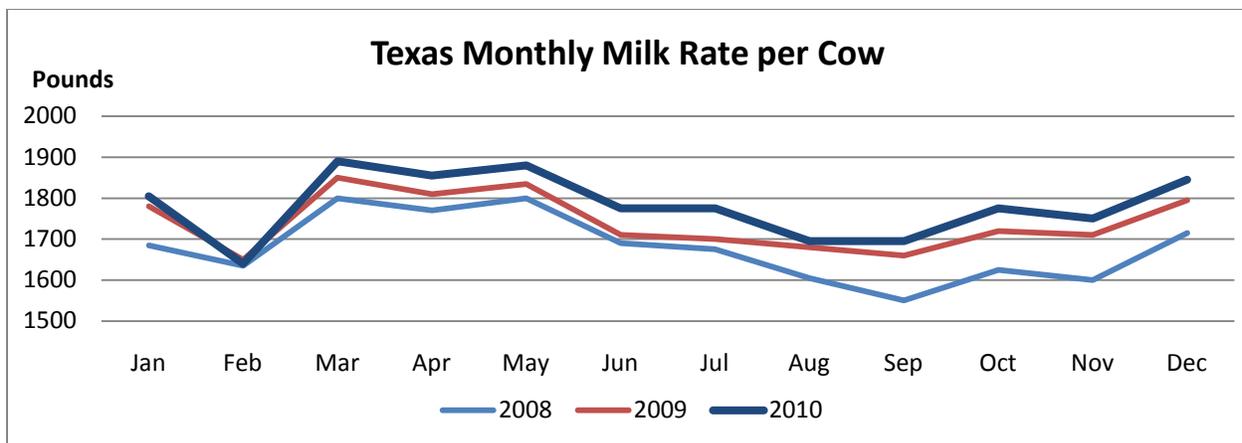
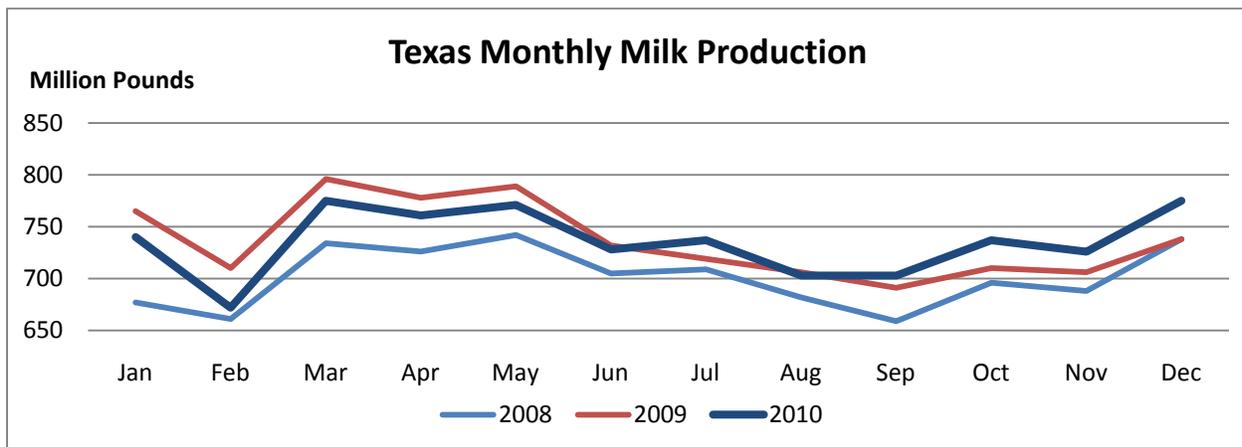
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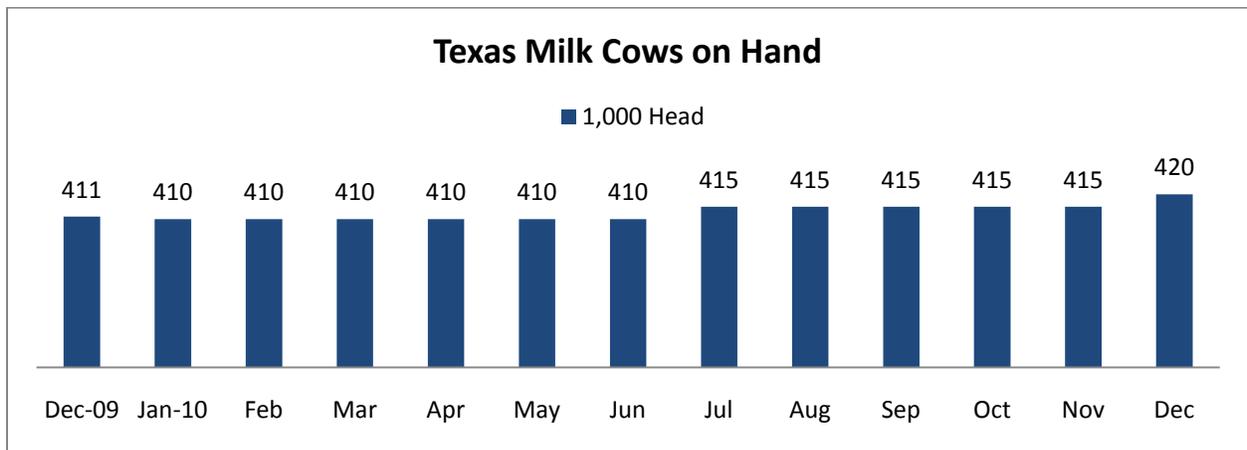
Texas Milk Production Up 5 Percent from Last Year

Texas milk production totaled 775 million pounds during December, up 5 percent from last year's production of 738 million pounds. November 2010 production totaled 726 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during December averaged 420,000 head, up 9,000 head from last year and 5,000 head more than the November 2010 number. Production per cow averaged 1,845 pounds during December, 50 pounds more than last year and 95 pounds more than November 2010.



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U.S. Highlights: Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 15 billion pounds, up 2.8 percent from production in these same states in December 2009. November revised production, at 14.4 billion pounds, was up 3.1 percent from November 2009.

Production per cow during December averaged 1,794 pounds, 33 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.39 million head, 74,000 head more than last year and up 15,000 head from November 2010.

Link to U.S. Report: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/MilkProd//2010s/2011/MilkProd-01-19-2011.pdf>

Link to USDA-NASS website: www.nass.usda.gov