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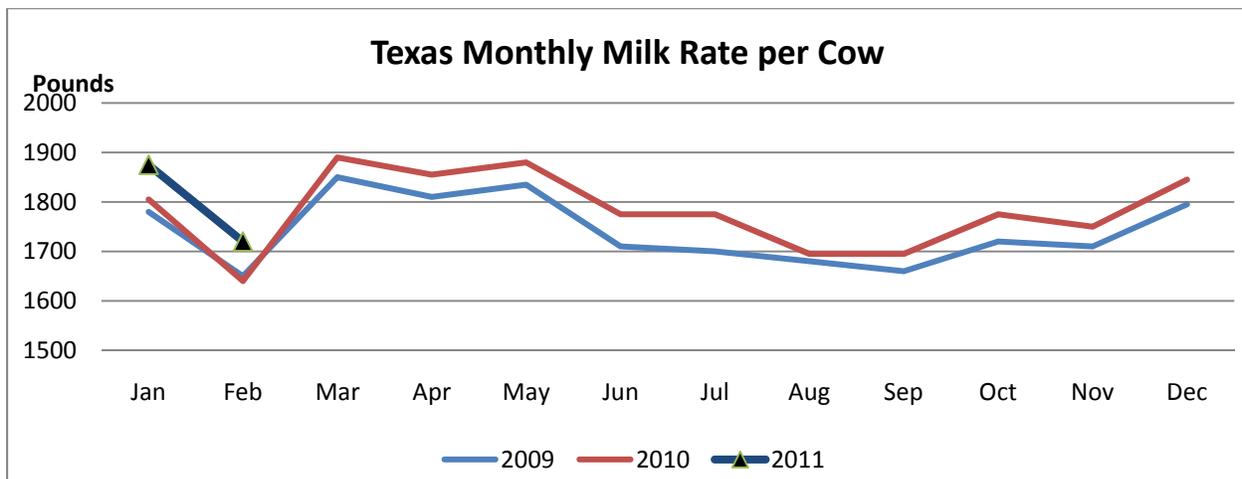
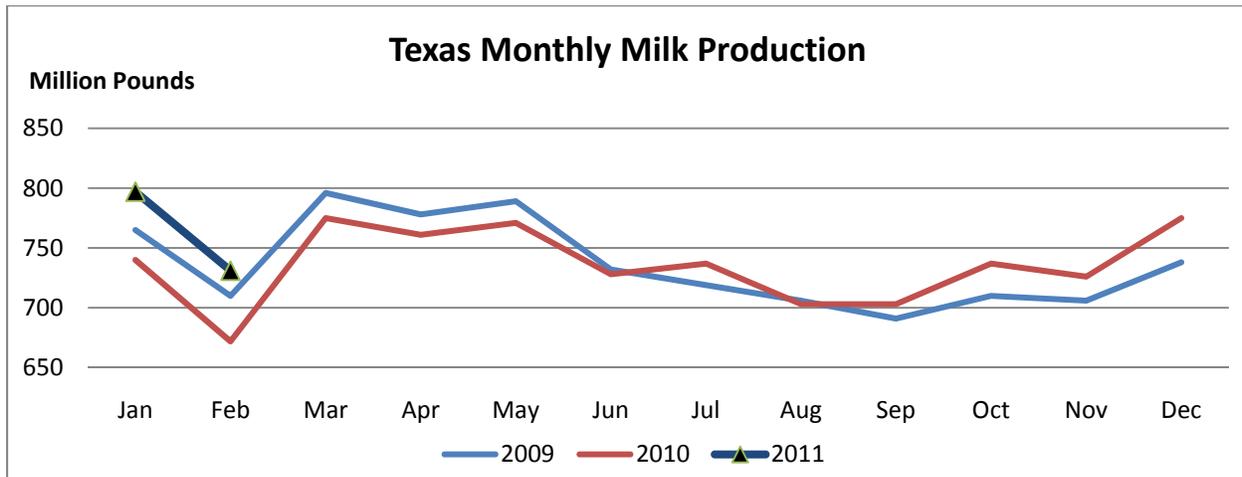
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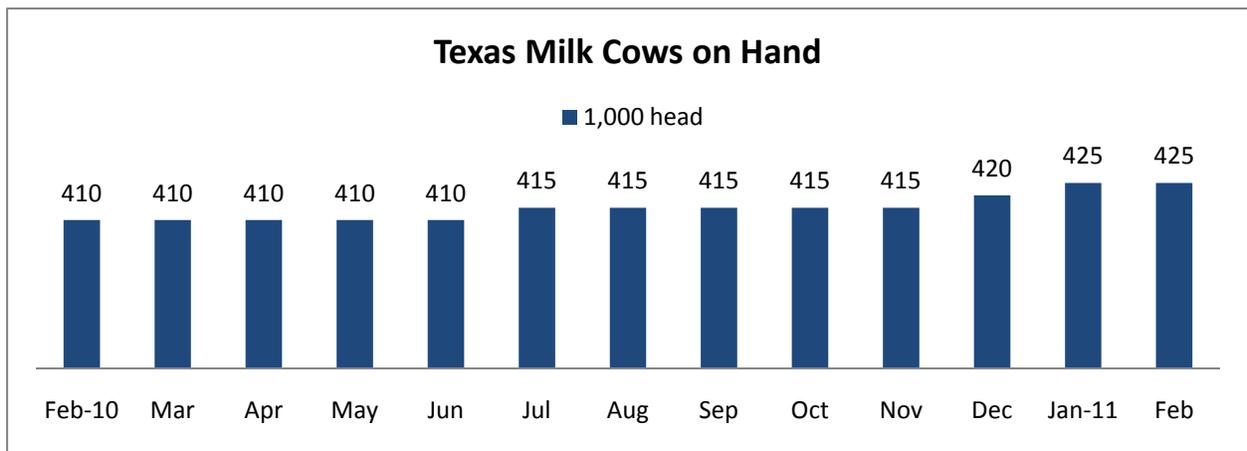
Texas Milk Production Up 9 Percent from Last Year

Texas milk production totaled 731 million pounds during February, up 9 percent from last year's production of 672 million pounds. January 2011 production totaled 797 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during February averaged 425,000 head, up 15,000 head from last year and the same as the January 2011 number. Production per cow averaged 1,720 pounds during February, 80 pounds more than last year but 155 pounds less than January 2011.



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U.S. Highlights: Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 14.0 billion pounds, up 2.4 percent from production in these same states in February 2010. January revised production, at 15.2 billion pounds, was up 2.5 percent from January 2010.

Production per cow during February averaged 1,666 pounds, 24 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.4 million head, 81,000 head more than last year but no change from January 2011.

Link to U.S. Report: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/MilkProd//2011s/2011/MilkProd-3-18-2011.pdf>

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