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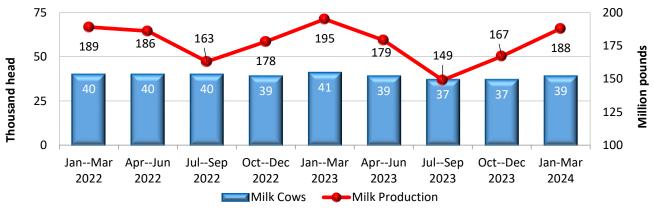
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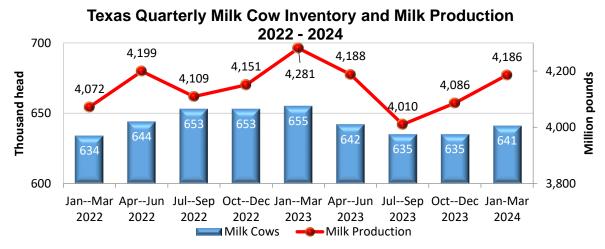
This report contains results from the April 2024 Milk Production Survey collected nationally during the first two weeks of April. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next quarterly survey will be made available on July 22, 2024.

Milk production in **Oklahoma** during the January-March quarter totaled 188 million pounds, up 13 percent from the October-December quarter, but down 4 percent from last year's quarter. The average number of milk cows in **Oklahoma** during the quarter totaled 39,000 head, down 2,000 head from the same quarter in 2023.

Oklahoma Quarterly Milk Cow Inventory and Milk Production 2022 - 2024



Milk production in **Texas** during the January-March quarter totaled 4,186 million pounds, up 2 percent from the October-December quarter, and down 2 percent from last year's quarter. The average number of milk cows in **Texas** during the quarter totaled 641,000 head, down 14,000 head from the same quarter in 2023.



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Milk Cow Inventory and Milk Production: Southern Plains Region and United States, 2023-2024

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Quarter	Oklahoma ¹		Texas		United States	
	Cows	Production	Cows	Production	Cows	Production
	1,000 head	million pounds	1,000 head	million pounds	1,000 head	million pounds
Jan-Mar, 2024	39	188	641	4,186	9,333	56,886
Oct-Dec, 2023	37	167	635	4,086	9,349	55,529
Jul-Sep, 2023	37	149	635	4,010	9,366	55,994
Apr-Jun, 2023	39	179	642	4,188	9,410	58,004
Jan-Mar, 2023	41	195	655	4,281	9,418	56,837

¹ Current quarter is a preliminary estimate.

Milk production in the **United States** during the January-March quarter totaled 56.9 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent from the same quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the **United States** during the quarter was 9.33 million head, down 16,000 head from the October-December quarter, and down 85,000 head from the same period last year.