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UP 16 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN Texas milk production totaled 660 million pounds during February, up 16 percent from last year's production of 569 million pounds. January 2008 revised production totaled 677 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during February averaged 370,000 head, up 23,000 head from last year and up 5,000 head from the January 2008 number. Production per cow averaged 1,785 pounds during February, 145 pounds more than last year and 70 pounds less than January 2008.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 6 percent from production in these same states in February 2007. January revised production, at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 2.7 percent from January 2007.

Production per cow during February averaged 1,653 pounds, up 69 pounds from a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.42 million head, 136,000 head more than last year and 9,000 head more than January 2008.