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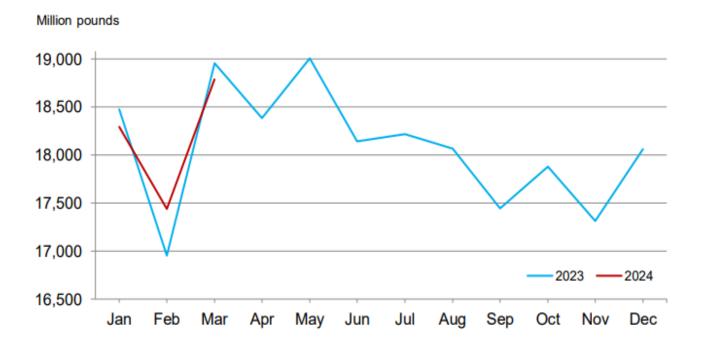
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FIRST QUARTER MILK PRODUCTION

Charleston, West Virginia – Milk production in West Virginia totaled 15 million pounds or 1.7 million gallons during the January - March quarter of 2024. This was down 2 million pounds from the same period in 2023, and was down 1 million pounds from the October - December 2023 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 4,000 head, down 500 head from the same period in 2023, and the previous quarter.

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

Note: A conversion of 8.6 pounds per gallon was used.



Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States