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MARCH MILK PRODUCTION

Kentucky milk production for March 2001 totaled 151 million pounds, up 14 percent from last month but down 5 percent from March 2000. Average number of milk cows, at 127,000 head, was down 1,000 head from last month and down 5,000 head from March 2000. Milk per cow averaged 1,190 pounds, up 150 pounds from last month but down 15 pounds from last year.

Milk production in the 20 major States during March totaled 12.4 billion pounds, down 2.2 percent from March 2000.

February revised production, at 11.1 billion pounds, was down 5.0 percent from February 2000. However, adjusting production for leap year would put February milk production down 1.6 percent. The February revision represented a decrease of 0.7 percent or 82 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,599 pounds for March, 33 pounds below March 2000. The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.76 million head, 18,000 head less than March 2000, and 9,000 head less than February 2001.

MILK COWS & MILK PRODUCTION FOR MARCH, SELECTED STATES

STATE	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Production ^{2/}		2001 as % of 2000
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	
	Thousands		Pounds		Million Pounds		Percent
CA	1,501	1,570	1,825	1,785	2,739	2,802	102
IL	120	117	1,580	1,580	190	185	97
IN	143	151	1,435	1,470	205	222	108
KY	132	127	1,205	1,190	159	151	95
MO	156	148	1,350	1,270	211	188	89
OH	261	262	1,530	1,450	399	380	95
VA	120	118	1,450	1,415	174	167	96
WI	1,352	1,305	1,495	1,500	2,021	1,958	97
20 State Total	7,776	7,758	1,632	1,599	12,687	12,403	98

^{1/} Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ^{2/} Excludes milk sucked by calves.

U. S. DAIRY PRODUCTS, FEBRUARY 2001

PRODUCT	Feb. 2000	Jan. 2001 ^{1/}	Feb. 2001	Percent of Feb. 00 Jan. 01	
	(000) Pounds			Percent	
BUTTER	130,259	129,366	115,167	88	89
CHEESE					
American Types ^{2/}	302,331	301,114	277,547	92	92
Mozzarella	204,909	231,533	216,254	106	93
All Other Types ^{3/}	138,327	153,944	142,807	103	93
Total	645,567	686,591	636,608	99	93
FROZEN PRODUCTS					
	(000) Gallons			Percent	
Ice Cream (Hard)	67,755	62,974	67,124	99	107
Frozen Yogurt (Total)	6,851	6,290	6,429	94	102
MIX FOR FROZEN PRODUCTS					
Ice Cream Mix	37,931	36,345	37,166	98	102
Yogurt Mix	4,030	3,700	3,782	94	102

^{1/} Revised. ^{2/} Includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack. ^{3/} Includes Swiss, Cream and all other types. Excludes cottage cheese.

KENTUCKY POPULATION BY COUNTY, 1990 & 2000

County	Census Population		Change, 1990 to 2000		County	Census Population		Change, 1990 to 2000	
	Apr 1990	Apr 2000	Number	%		Apr 1990	Apr 2000	Number	%
Adair	15,360	17,244	1,884	12.3	Larue	11,679	13,373	1,694	14.5
Allen	14,628	17,800	3,172	21.7	Laurel	43,438	52,715	9,277	21.4
Anderson	14,571	19,111	4,540	31.2	Lawrence	13,998	15,569	1,571	11.2
Ballard	7,902	8,286	384	4.9	Lee	7,422	7,916	494	6.7
Barren	34,001	38,033	4,032	11.9	Leslie	13,642	12,401	-1,241	-9.1
Bath	9,692	11,085	1,393	14.4	Letcher	27,000	25,277	-1,723	-6.4
Bell	31,506	30,060	-1,446	-4.6	Lewis	13,029	14,092	1,063	8.2
Boone	57,589	85,991	28,402	49.3	Lincoln	20,045	23,361	3,316	16.5
Bourbon	19,236	19,360	124	0.6	Livingston	9,062	9,804	742	8.2
Boyd	51,150	49,752	-1,398	-2.7	Logan	24,416	26,573	2,157	8.8
Boyle	25,641	27,697	2,056	8.0	Lyon	6,624	8,080	1,456	22.0
Bracken	7,766	8,279	513	6.6	McCracken	62,879	65,514	2,635	4.2
Breathitt	15,703	16,100	397	2.5	McCreary	15,603	17,080	1,477	9.5
Breckinridge	16,312	18,648	2,336	14.3	McLean	9,628	9,938	310	3.2
Bullitt	47,567	61,236	13,669	28.7	Madison	57,508	70,872	13,364	23.2
Butler	11,245	13,010	1,765	15.7	Magoffin	13,077	13,332	255	1.9
Caldwell	13,232	13,060	-172	-1.3	Marion	16,499	18,212	1,713	10.4
Calloway	30,735	34,177	3,442	11.2	Marshall	27,205	30,125	2,920	10.7
Campbell	83,866	88,616	4,750	5.7	Martin	12,526	12,578	52	0.4
Carlisle	5,238	5,351	113	2.2	Mason	16,666	16,800	134	0.8
Carroll	9,292	10,155	863	9.3	Meade	24,170	26,349	2,179	9.0
Carter	24,340	26,889	2,549	10.5	Menifee	5,092	6,556	1,464	28.8
Casey	14,211	15,447	1,236	8.7	Mercer	19,148	20,817	1,669	8.7
Christian	68,941	72,265	3,324	4.8	Metcalfe	8,963	10,037	1,074	12.0
Clark	29,496	33,144	3,648	12.4	Monroe	11,401	11,756	355	3.1
Clay	21,746	24,556	2,810	12.9	Montgomery	19,561	22,554	2,993	15.3
Clinton	9,135	9,634	499	5.5	Morgan	11,648	13,948	2,300	19.7
Crittenden	9,196	9,384	188	2.0	Muhlenberg	31,318	31,839	521	1.7
Cumberland	6,784	7,147	363	5.4	Nelson	29,710	37,477	7,767	26.1
Daviess	87,189	91,545	4,356	5.0	Nicholas	6,725	6,813	88	1.3
Edmonson	10,357	11,644	1,287	12.4	Ohio	21,105	22,916	1,811	8.6
Elliott	6,455	6,748	293	4.5	Oldham	33,263	46,178	12,915	38.8
Estill	14,614	15,307	693	4.7	Owen	9,035	10,547	1,512	16.7
Fayette	225,366	260,512	35,146	15.6	Owsley	5,036	4,858	-178	-3.5
Fleming	12,292	13,792	1,500	12.2	Pendleton	12,036	14,390	2,354	19.6
Floyd	43,586	42,441	-1,145	-2.6	Perry	30,283	29,390	-893	-2.9
Franklin	43,781	47,687	3,906	8.9	Pike	72,583	68,736	-3,847	-5.3
Fulton	8,271	7,752	-519	-6.3	Powell	11,686	13,237	1,551	13.3
Gallatin	5,393	7,870	2,477	45.9	Pulaski	49,489	56,217	6,728	13.6
Garrard	11,579	14,792	3,213	27.7	Robertson	2,124	2,266	142	6.7
Grant	15,737	22,384	6,647	42.2	Rockcastle	14,803	16,582	1,779	12.0
Graves	33,550	37,028	3,478	10.4	Rowan	20,353	22,094	1,741	8.6
Grayson	21,050	24,053	3,003	14.3	Russell	14,716	16,315	1,599	10.9
Green	10,371	11,518	1,147	11.1	Scott	23,867	33,061	9,194	38.5
Greenup	36,742	36,891	149	0.4	Shelby	24,824	33,337	8,513	34.3
Hancock	7,864	8,392	528	6.7	Simpson	15,145	16,405	1,260	8.3
Hardin	89,240	94,174	4,934	5.5	Spencer	6,801	11,766	4,965	73.0
Harlan	36,574	33,202	-3,372	-9.2	Taylor	21,146	22,927	1,781	8.4
Harrison	16,248	17,983	1,735	10.7	Todd	10,940	11,971	1,031	9.4
Hart	14,890	17,445	2,555	17.2	Trigg	10,361	12,597	2,236	21.6
Henderson	43,044	44,829	1,785	4.1	Trimble	6,090	8,125	2,035	33.4
Henry	12,823	15,060	2,237	17.4	Union	16,557	15,637	-920	-5.6
Hickman	5,566	5,262	-304	-5.5	Warren	76,673	92,522	15,849	20.7
Hopkins	46,126	46,519	393	0.9	Washington	10,441	10,916	475	4.5
Jackson	11,955	13,495	1,540	12.9	Wayne	17,468	19,923	2,455	14.1
Jefferson	664,937	693,604	28,667	4.3	Webster	13,955	14,120	165	1.2
Jessamine	30,508	39,041	8,533	28.0	Whitley	33,326	35,865	2,539	7.6
Johnson	23,248	23,445	197	0.8	Wolfe	6,503	7,065	562	8.6
Kenton	142,031	151,464	9,433	6.6	Woodford	19,955	23,208	3,253	16.3
Knott	17,906	17,649	-257	-1.4	KENTUCKY	3,685,296	4,041,769	356,473	9.7
Knox	29,676	31,795	2,119	7.1					

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000. Note: 1990 Populations shown in this table were originally published in 1990 Census reports and do not include subsequent revisions due to boundary or other changes.

U.S. CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.52 million head on April 1, 2001. The inventory was 3 percent above April 1, 2000 and 11 percent above April 1, 1999. The inventory included 6.96 million steers and steer calves, up 2 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 60 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.49 million head, up 3 percent from 2000.

Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.85 million, 9 percent below both 2000 and 1999. Net placements were 1.75 million. During March, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 330,000, 600-699 pounds were 416,000, 700-799 pounds were 618,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 488,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.93 million, 6 percent below 1999 and 3 percent below 2000. **Other disappearance** totaled 98,000 during March, 5 percent below 2000 but 38 percent above 1999.

CATTLE ON FEED 7 STATES 1/

Cattle on feed April 1, 2001, in the 7 States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.86 million, up 3 percent from the previous year and 11 percent above April 1, 1999. The inventory included 5.89 million steers and steer calves, up 2 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 60 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.91 million head, up 3 percent from 2000.

Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.54 million, 11 percent below 2000 and 12 percent above 1999.

Marketings during March totaled 1.61 million, 9 percent below 2000 and 3 percent below 1999.

Other disappearance during March was 80,000 head, 8 percent above 2000 and 54 percent above 1999.

1/AZ, CA, CO, IA, KS, NE, and TX.

RED MEAT PRODUCTION

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.78 billion pounds in March, down 7 percent from the 4.05 billion pounds produced in March 2000. March 2000 contained 23 weekdays and 4 Saturdays. March 2001 contained 22 weekdays and 5 Saturdays. Beef production, at 2.12 billion pounds, was 8 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.92 million head, down 7 percent from March 2000. The average live weight was down 6 pounds from the previous year, at 1,209 pounds. Pork production totaled 1.63 billion pounds, down 5 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.33 million head, 6 percent below March 2000. The average live weight was 2 pounds above the previous year, at 264 pounds.

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION: UNITED STATES & KENTUCKY 1/

Type	March 2000	February 2001	March 2001	March 01 % of	
				March 2000	February 2001
	Million Pounds			Percent	
Beef	2,300	1,883	2,116	92	112
Veal	20	16	16	83	105
Pork	1,704	1,486	1,626	95	109
Lamb & Mutton	24	17	23	97	133
Total U.S.	4,048	3,402	3,781	93	111
Total Kentucky	39.0	34.4	35.3	90	102

1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER: KENTUCKY & U.S. MARCH 2000 & 2001 1/

Type	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	1,000 head		1,000 lbs.		Pounds	
Kentucky						
Cattle	1.4	1.4	1,152	1,229	828	868
Hogs	194.1	172.7	51,187	46,144	264	267
Sheep & Lambs	0.7	0.4	88	72	133	176
United States						
Cattle	3,131.6	2,918.2	3,803,596	3,527,226	1,215	1,209
Hogs	8,822.1	8,326.7	2,312,702	2,197,551	262	264
Sheep & Lambs	347.0	326.4	48,429	46,792	140	143

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

COLD STORAGE HIGHLIGHTS

Frozen food stocks in refrigerated warehouses on March 31, 2001 were greater than a year earlier for fruit. Cooler stocks of apples were also higher than a year earlier.

All U.S. Warehouse Stocks			Mar 01 as % of		
Commodity	Mar 31 2000	Feb 28 2001	Mar 31 2001	Mar 2000	Feb 2001
Frozen Poultry		1,000 lbs		Percent	
Chicken:					
Broilers (Whole)	34,740	14,117	15,306	44	108
Other Chicken	776,682	662,452	622,462	80	94
Total Chicken <u>1/</u>	819,434	683,306	644,370	79	94
Turkey	391,372	333,521	353,597	90	106
Total Frozen Poultry <u>2/</u>	1,214,538	1,020,990	1,002,850	83	98
Meat					
Total Frozen Beef	378,153	360,212	329,428	87	91
Pork:					
Bellies	60,527	47,154	45,440	75	96
Total Frozen Pork <u>3/</u>	534,671	468,289	438,372	82	94
Total Meat <u>4/</u>	934,346	852,632	790,800	85	93

1/ Includes broilers, hens and other chickens. 2/ Includes chicken, turkey and ducks. 3/ Includes picnics, hams, bellies, loins, ribs, trimmings, and other frozen pork. 4/ Includes frozen beef, pork, veal, lamb and mutton, other frozen meat, canned hams, and other canned meat.

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