

MILK PRODUCTION

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MINNESOTA'S SEPTEMBER MILK OUTPUT UP 2 PERCENT

September 2005 milk production totaled 646 million pounds in Minnesota, up 2 percent from the 635 million pounds produced in September 2004, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. August milk output at 685 million pounds was not revised.

Minnesota production per cow averaged 1,435 pounds in September 2005, up 70 pounds from last September. The August rate at 1,505 pounds per cow was not revised. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during September 2005 was 450,000 head, down 5,000 from August, and down 15,000 from a year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first 9 months of 2005 was 6.19 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the same period a year ago.

SEPTEMBER MILK PRODUCTION UP 5 PERCENT IN MAJOR STATES

Milk production during September 2005 totaled 13.0 billion pounds, up 5 percent from September 2004 in the 23 major states. Revised August production for the 23 states was 13.6 billion pounds. Production per cow in the 23 states averaged 1,597 pounds during September 2005, up 64 pounds from September 2004. Revised August output per cow was 1,667 pounds. The number of milk cows in the 23 major states during September averaged 8.16 million head, up 54,000 from a year ago.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major states for the first 9 months of 2005 was 121 billion pounds, up 4 percent from the same period a year ago.

MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005 Rev.	Sep 2005	Sep 2004	Aug 2005 Rev.	Sep 2005	Sep 2004	Aug 2005 Rev.	Sep 2005	2005 as % of 2004
	<u>Thousand Head</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>
CA	1,737	1,763	1,765	1,715	1,790	1,745	2,979	3,156	3,080	103
ID	431	468	470	1,780	1,940	1,860	767	908	874	114
MN	465	455	450	1,365	1,505	1,435	635	685	646	102
NY	654	647	649	1,420	1,600	1,515	929	1,035	983	106
PA	562	562	561	1,415	1,575	1,500	795	885	842	106
WI	1,239	1,236	1,237	1,440	1,595	1,520	1,784	1,971	1,880	105
23 States	8,104	8,157	8,158	1,533	1,667	1,597	12,426	13,595	13,032	105